#### ORDINANCE NO. 251



AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RATES AND METHODS OF PAYMENT FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES IN THAT AREA FORMERLY KNOWN AS WARD RIDGE, PROVIDING CERTAIN INCENTIVES FOR EARLY HOOKUP, PROVIDING CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS FOR CURRENT USERS AND FOR DEVELOPERS WHO HAVE CONTRACTED FOR SERVICES, REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Port st. Joe, through general fund financing and contractual arrangements made with developers, has recently installed water and sewer lines in those sections of the previous City of Ward Ridge as described in Exhibit A, and

WHEREAS, Patricia Tapper Warriner, prior to construction entered a contract with the City of Port St. Joe to furnish water and sewer services to the area described in Exhibit B at a cost of \$170,000, a portion of which has already been paid, with the remainder being secured by a mortgage and note with a release clause on individual lots, and

WHEREAS, a part of the area known as Ward Ridge has been served for a number of years with water and sewer, and

WHEREAS, the health and welfare of the citizens of Port St.

Joe, and especially those areas described in Exhibits A and B,

would be materially enhanced by the use of central water and

sewer, and

WHEREAS, the city has managed to construct a new system within the area affected,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE as follows:

Section 1.

- A. There is hereby imposed a sewer fee of \$500.00 for each of the lots described in Exhibit A for those owners who wish to hook-up, or pay for said hook-up during the first 12 months following the effective date of this ordinance.
- B. The amount in Section 1-A above shall be in addition to any other hook-up charge presently in effect within the city.
- C. The charges in Section 1-A above may be paid in monthly installments as part of the water and sewer charge, providing that the customer enters an agreement with City that said payment is a part of their monthly charge and non-payment will result in discontinuance of the service. Any such agreement shall provide that payment shall be made over a 24 month period with interest at the rate of 8% per annum.
- D. Any party owning vacant property within the designated area may make the initial payment provided for in Section 1 and may await such time as service is needed to pay other charges.
- Section 2. Landowners shall be assessed a fee of \$2,000.00 per hook-up if not paid within twelve (12) months following the effective date of this ordinance. Said fee shall be in addition to the regular hook-up charges.
- Section 3. Water hook-up fees for each lot shall be those currently in effect, or as hereafter amended.
- Section 4. Repeal: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.
- Section 5. Severability: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this ordinance is held invalid, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.

Section 6. Effective Date: This ordinance shall become effective as provided by law.

THIS ORDINANCE ADOPTED this 20th day of October, 1998.

CITY COMMISSION OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA

Marian Commission
Mayor-Commission

Attest:\_\_\_\_\_Auditor-Clerk

The following commissioners voted yea:

The following commissioners voted nay:



# The City of Port St. Joe

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Port St. Joe, Florida 32457

October 11, 1999

# SPECIAL NOTICE

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Currently, we have only four residents to utilize this offer. If you are unsure whether you have executed the proper documents for this special rate, please call City Hall, (850) 229-8261, to ascertain that you have signed all documents.

The 29th of October (before 4:30 p.m.) is absolutely the last day for the SPECIAL RATE. Thereafter, the assessment will be \$2,000 per lot and the sewer tap fee will be \$1,250.

This notice is being sent to all effected landowners via certified, return receipt mail.

FRANK PATE, JR. Mayor/Commissioner

JORGE SAN PEDRO Commissioner, Group I DAMON McNAIR, JR. Commissioner, Group II

JERRY W. BARNES Commissioner, Group III DAVID R. HORTON Commissioner, Group IV

PAULINE W. PENDARVIS
City Auditor and Clerk

JAY W. LEFFERT Chief of Police WILLIAM J. RISH City Attorney

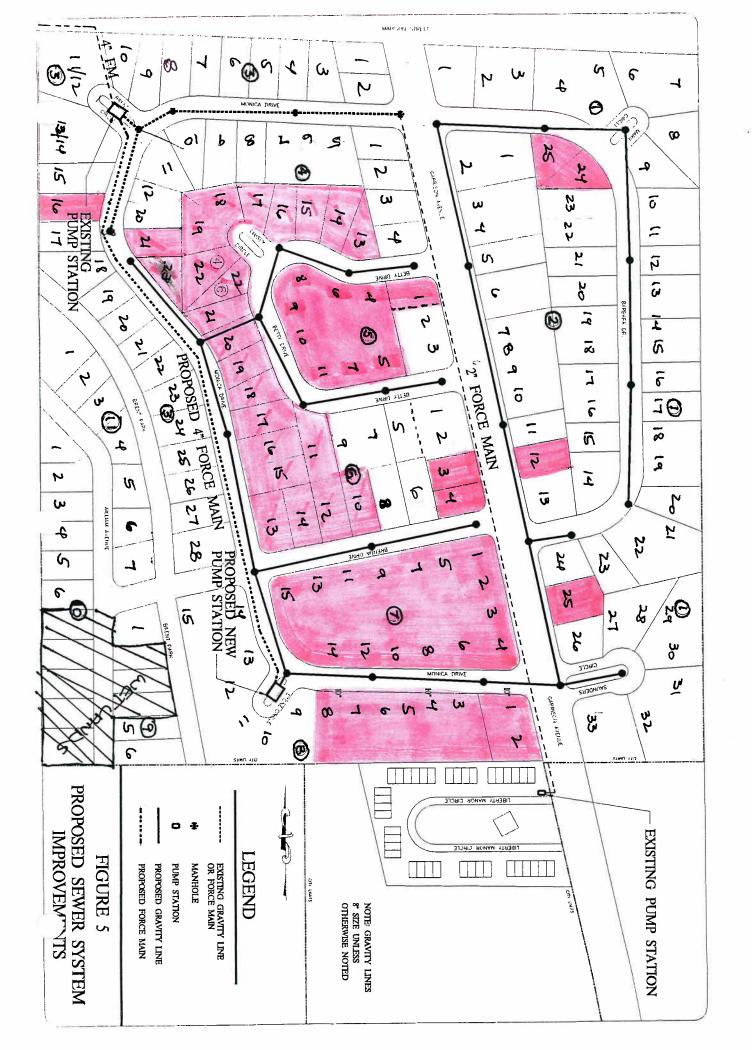
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- Block 7, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15
  - Block 8, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8
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