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MEMORANDUM
(For developments with less than 5,000 s.f. impervious)

TO: Developers, Owners, Engineers, Architects and Contractors
FROM: City Engineer, Hector P. Arias, P.E.
SUBJECT: Article II - Site Developments Plans, Engineering Permits and Final Development Approvals
DATE: Current

On February 3, 1997 the City of Ft. Pierce City Commission repealed Chapter 17, Article II of the Ft. Pierce Code by **Ordinance J-216**. **Article II** was recreated to establish **Site Development Technical Regulations and Stormwater Management Requirements**. The ordinance allows flexibility for those developments with less than 5,000 S.F. of impervious area in that the certification of the Developer's Engineer is not required to submit plans and calculations, or development completion. These may be the responsibility of the Developer's Contractor. It is strongly recommended that Developer and/or Engineer and/or Contractor request a copy of Ordinance J-216 at the City Engineer's Office.

Ordinance J-216 is quite extensive and detailed delineating all regulations and requirements that must be followed by all developments within the City of Ft. Pierce. It is the intention of this memorandum to inform you only of the highlights of this ordinance. However, it is the responsibility of all parties involved in site developments to be familiar and understand these regulations and requirements. It has been the experience of our Department that most of the approval delays occur because of Developers lack of familiarity with Ordinance J-216 or delays on sending re-submittals. Our Engineering Staff is always available to meet with site development representatives, provided that meetings are scheduled ahead of time. All sections of the Ordinance J-216 must be carefully followed in order for the Engineering Approval Process to be as short as possible.

Particular attention to the following is advised to expedite the approval process:

- 1) All documents required by the Ordinance** must be received prior to the start of the review process. Documents submitted without the required information will be rejected and the review process will stop until the required information is received. When these deficiencies occur, our staff will start the review process of other developments that have submitted the required documentation.
- 2) Sites adjacent to County, FDOT or other public facilities**, other than City's, must obtain permit(s) or "Letter of Intent to Issue Permit" from those agencies with jurisdiction over the development prior to the approval of the development plans by the City Engineer.
- 3) Section 17-28 (f)(2). Approvals by the City Engineer for phased projects, or projects that remain idle in construction for a period of time.** Local, State and/or Federal regulations may change during the period that subsequent phases are constructed.
- 4) All engineering inspections** required must be notified at least forty eight (48) hours in advance. In the event that improvements are installed without the proper inspection, the contractor may be required to expose improvements and replace the same, above or below ground.

The City is able and will do all possible to expedite the approval process, provided that submittals for approval and completion of construction are in full compliance with Ordinance J-216 .