

P22-334 Empty Lot Usage



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# Why are we here?

I moved here in 2008 because of the C-23 Canal. I've picked up the trash in the neighborhood ever since I moved in. I am an Eagle Scout.

I stored my 1<sup>st</sup> boat trailer with Mr. Vasil's, the owner, permission across the street.

I finished the dock in 2010

Mr. Vasil placed his property up for sale in 2016. We priced out trailer storage and determined we could not afford \$100-\$200 a month per trailer and there were no spots available at the time in 2016. Without going out to Okeechobee.

We purchased the lot across the street in 2016 from Mr. Vasil to continue to store our trailers.

I would say the average residents in the city cannot afford trailer storage for multiple trailers.



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Mr. Robinson stated in his Staff Presentation, slide 10, “The City of Port St Lucie’s Keep Port St. Lucie Beautiful’s mission is to improve our quality of life through education, beautification, and litter control by empowering individuals to take greater responsibility for their community.”

Since 2008 I have been taking this responsibility seriously as I am the one that picks up the trash in our neighborhood.

In March 2021 my family adopted our neighborhood, as you can see by the picture to the right, to set an example to my children and to the future generation on how to take care of the city.



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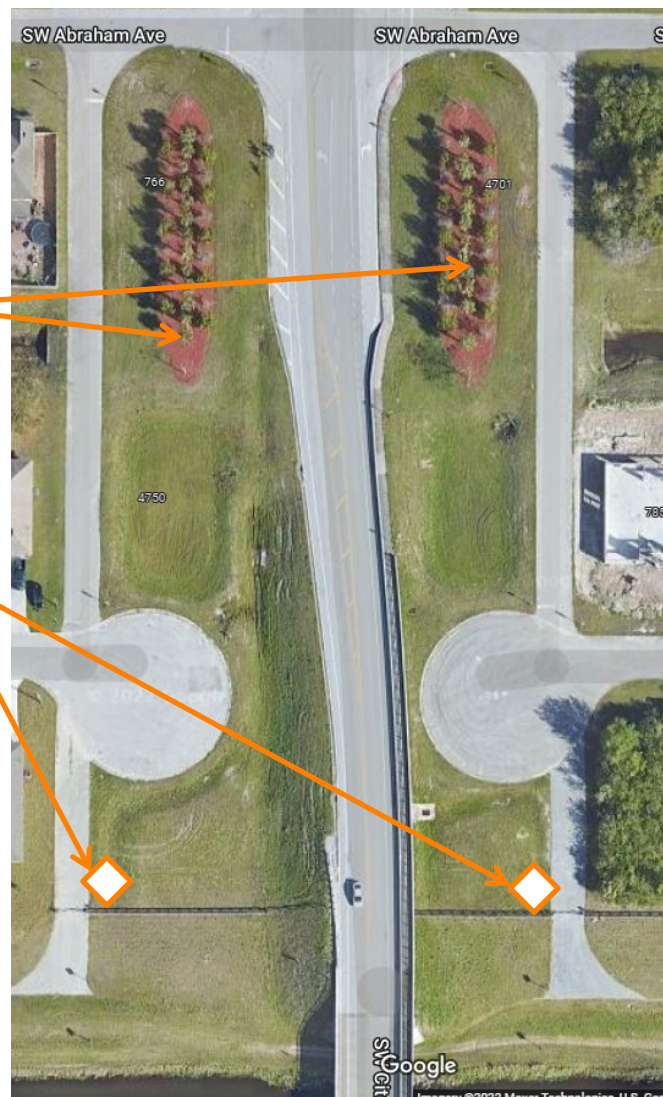


In 2017 I started the process to get trees planted, on both sides of Citrus Bridge.

I took the City University class, I am a graduate of Class #4, December 13, 2017

December 2020, I started the process to get the trash and recycling cans installed. So when people fish/visit at the citrus bridge they can dispose of their trash.

In 2022, I ran for City Counsel in the Special Election because I want to keep the city moving forward.



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In 2018, Code enforcement cited us for violations of property usage on our empty lot. None of the neighbors complained! This was 100% code enforcement.

I asked the neighbors that were storing their trailers to have them removed as the city has complained and issued us with citations.

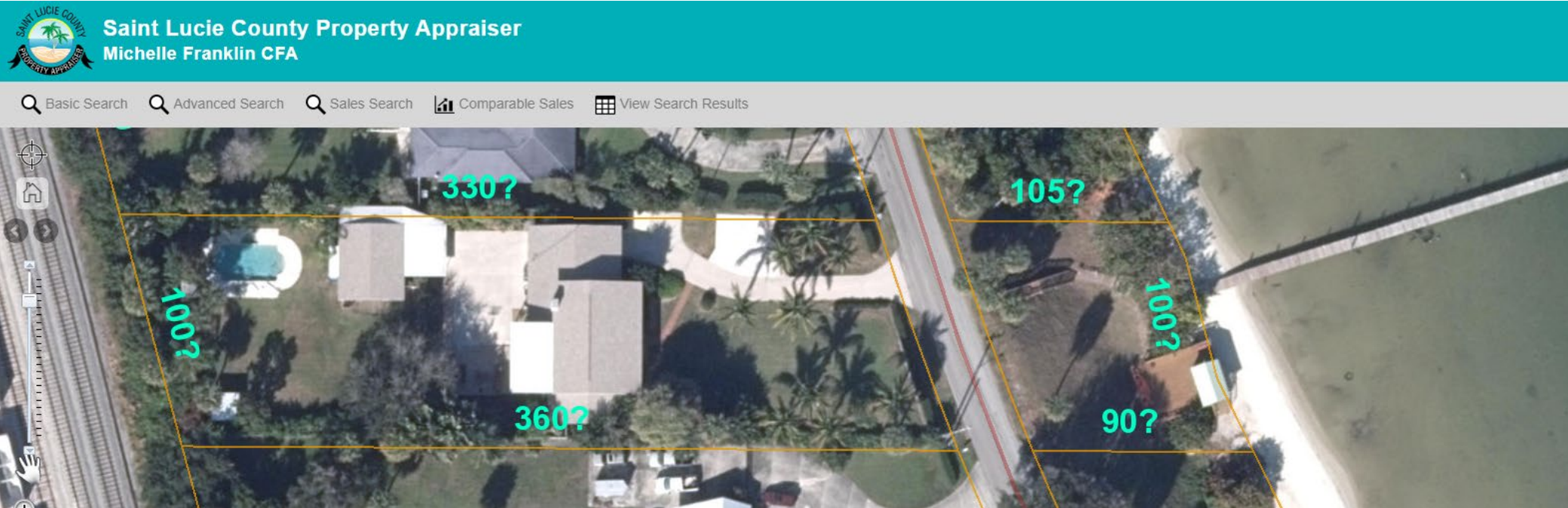
We were denied Unity of Title in 2018 for our two lots because our lots were not contiguous.

Pictures in Slide 6 in Staffs Presentations are from the 2018 citations.

At that time we came into compliance by placing all trailers on our house property.

The pictures on Slide 7 are pictures of a day we were doing projects in the driveway and placed our vehicles on our empty lot across the street.

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I still say that we should be able to get Unity of Title when there is a road between lots as in Indian River Drive, as seen above.

A normal day looking at our empty lot from the road.



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# To be allowed to store my property on my property



As our city slogan “Port St. Lucie is a Safe, Beautiful, and Prosperous City for All People - Your Hometown.”

I think “All People” should include people like me that have hobbies and require parking and storage for their property on their property.

Please approve P22-334 Chapter 158

(K) Empty lots uses:

1. To park multiple utility trailers(s) greater than 20 ft in length.
2. To park multiple enclosed trailer(s) and greater than 20 ft in length.
3. To park multiple boat trailer(s), empty and with boats on them.
4. To park multiple wave runner trailer(s), empty and with waverunners on them.
5. Be allowed to have “open storage”.
6. A shed/workshop, up to 1000 SQFT.
7. Allowed to fence along the property boundaries.
8. To park multiple Recreational vehicle(s).

Thank you for your time



Any questions?