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It's Your Turn to Vote on a Proposed Community Overlay for Crystal Beach!

Dear Crystal Beach Property Owner,

In March of last year, residents of Crystal Beach invited our staff to the Community Hall to discuss the community overlay process. Ultimately, community overlays provide for the incorporation of community-based policies into the County's comprehensive plan so that County decision-making better recognizes and considers local community desires and characteristics.

Since that March meeting, Crystal Beach community members have taken the initiative to draft an overlay document upon which our staff has reviewed and provided feedback. It is now time for the Community to vote on whether the Crystal Beach Community Overlay should be adopted.

Enclosed with this letter is a one-page summary document further explaining what community overlays are and why they are important, the process for adoption, the vision and policies proposed for Crystal Beach, a boundary map for which they would apply, and a pre-addressed, mailing voting postcard, with postage pre-paid by the Crystal Beach Community Association. As a property owner within the boundary of the proposed community overlay, please return this voting card so the County can gauge broad, Community-wide support for this initiative. If at least 60% of returned postcards support the proposal, the Overlay will be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for their action at a public hearing.

You can cast your vote by returning the enclosed pre-addressed, pre-paid voting postcard by June 13, 2016. Results of the community vote will be posted on the County's website at www.pinellascounty.org/plan by June 27, 2016. The Community Vision and Policies enclosed in this letter can also be viewed at this website.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Christopher Moore at the Pinellas County Planning Department at (727) 464-8219 or cdmoore@pinellascounty.org, or you may contact Crystal Beach community members Dianne Fecteau (dianne@kendiacorp.com, 727-366-1392) or Barb Witlin (varya1562@gmail.com, 727-771-1392), who helped draft the overlay document.

Thank you for taking the time to vote and for being a part of Crystal Beach's future!

Sincerely,

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