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The City of Key West 525 Angela St. Key West, FL 33040

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Mark Porter Superintendent of Schools Monroe County School District 241 Trumbo Road Key West, FL 33040

Dear Mr. Porter,

The City has discussed with School District staff the possibility of securing a small easement in the Horace O'Bryant Middle School parking lot for an underground stormwater emergency outfall pipeline as part of a major City drainage improvement project.

The George St. Pump-Assisted Outfall Project will consist of two stormwater pump-assisted gravity wells with an outfall pipeline travelling from the intersection of Ashby St. and Catherine St. to the retention pond at Jose Marti Blvd, with FEMA funding approximately 75% of the project. The School District was kind enough to have previously given the City an easement at the end of Ashby St. on School property so the City can construct an elevated generator platform and control panel for our stormwater pump station.

The easement will provide the following benefits:

- 1) It will allow our contractor to finish the pipeline approximately two weeks earlier.
- 2) It will result in a savings of approximately \$33,000 for the City and FEMA.
- 3) It will allow the stormwater outfall pipeline to be installed with no existing underground utilities in close proximity.

I am hopeful that the School District can support the City's efforts to improve the long-standing drainage issues of this residential neighborhood, and help lower project costs. If you could respond to our easement request at your earliest convenience, it would be greatly appreciated. We have enclosed a sealed survey drawing and copy of the easement with this letter for your review.

If you require any additional information or have any questions, please feel free to contact Utilities Manager Jay Gewin at 305-809-3902 or via e-mail at jgewin@keywestcity.com.

Sincerely,

Bob Vitas City Manager