

Background – History

In June 1992, St. Pete Beach voters approved the financing and construction of a reclaimed water project. Reclaimed water is the product of an advanced wastewater treatment process that eliminates harmful by products while retaining beneficial elements to improve plant growth and appearance. Using reclaimed water is a way to conserve the drinking water supply as well as to create a new source for irrigation. The Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD), Florida Department of Environmental Regulation (Now the Florida Department of Environmental Protection) and other regulatory agencies strongly recommend and encourage the use of reclaimed water as a measure for conservation of the States valuable water resources. St. Pete Beach is committed to develop its reclaimed water distribution system in accordance with the best environmental practices to conserve the State's water resources. All reclaimed water facilities and appurtenances within dedicated public right-of-way easements shall become and remain the property of the city.

Ownership

All reclaimed water facilities and appurtenances within dedicated public right-of-way easements, when constructed or accepted, by the City, shall become and remain the property of the City. No person shall by payment of any charges provided herein, or by causing any construction of facilities accepted by the City, acquire any interest or right in any of these facilities or any portion thereon, other than the privilege of having their property connected thereto and for reclaimed water service in accordance with these policies and any amendments thereof.