

Duck Key Homeowners Association  
North Port, Florida

Commissioner McDowell

The Duck Key homeowner's association is requesting the City of North Port to continue servicing the metal grates in our streets pursuant to our agreement dated January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2003.

On January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2003, the City of North Port and the Duck Key Homeowners association entered into an agreement whereas the City of North Port agreed to take over our "Streets, Sidewalks, Public Utilities and Private Utilities". Since the signing of this agreement the city has maintained the metal grates in the streets. That is until we called in 2021 to have a few grates replaced. We were told that the city does not and never has changed the grates here on Duck Key. This has been the stance the city has taken through several meetings between Mr. Chuck Speak, Miss Julie Bellia and members of the Duck key board. At the last meeting Miss Bellia after doing some research admitted that the City of North Port has been changing the metal grates on Duck Key as replacements were needed. Also, our current vice president was on the board and present at the negotiations in 2002. The question was then asked to commissioner Barbara Gross if the agreement included the maintenance of the metal grates. Discussions where held and it was agreed by all parties that the maintenance of the metal grates were part of the agreement.

Based on the fact that the City of North Port has been replacing the metal grates for the past 19 years, a precedent has been set and we are requesting the city continue to honor the agreement entered into with the Duck Key HOA on January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2003.

Yours Truly  
Mr. Philip Caroleo  
President Duck Key Homeowners Association