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Via email
Mayor Jim Hill
City of Sebastian
1225 Main Street
Sebastian, FL 32958

RE: Ordinance 0-19-04 - Petition for Voluntary Annexation - Graves Brothers Company

Mayor Hill,

On Monday, the Metropolitan Planning Organization had a productive conversation focused on the transportation issues relating to the proposed Graves Brothers Company annexation. Yesterday, the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners discussed the annexation and expressed concerns with the transportation and utility issues pertaining to the proposed annexation.

Based upon these discussions, it appears that there is an opportunity to craft an annexation agreement between the City of Sebastian and the Graves Brothers that more fully addresses key issues such as transportation, utilities, and the relationship with the Sebastian River Improvement District which have not been adequately addressed to the benefit of both parties and importantly the citizens of Sebastian and Indian River County.

On behalf of the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners, I respectfully request that the City Council of the City of Sebastian table making any decision on the annexation on August 28th. We would hope that the City Council would consider adopting an annexation agreement that could both address these issues and memorialize the framework for the annexation while at the same time gain the support of the community. The proposed annexation has the potential to change the future makeup of the City of Sebastian. We believe it is best to take the time to make sure that these changes will be a benefit for the current and future residents of Sebastian and Indian River County as a whole.

Sincerely,

Bob Solari
Chair of the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners

CC: Indian River County Board of County Commissioners
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