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Legacy Park at Tradition is Site Location of Interest for New FedEx Ground Facility in Port St. Lucie, Florida

Port St. Lucie, Florida, December 7, 2020 – FedEx is working on plans for a new ground service regional sortation facility at Legacy Park at Tradition. The project is slated for a new 245,000 square-feet facility situated on 22 acres along Interstate 95 in the city's job corridor.

FedEx Ground, under the confidential code name "Project Denny", includes a capital investment of \$44 million and the creation of 40 full time employees at over 120 percent of St. Lucie County's average wage and 450 part time positions adding to employment opportunities in the City of Port St. Lucie's Southern Grove Jobs Corridor.

The Port St. Lucie City Council on Monday approved a packet of economic development incentives for the proposed project, including certain impact fee mitigations, a limited ad valorem tax exemption and expedited site plan review and permitting. The St. Lucie County Commission is expected to review its packet of possible economic development incentives for the project on December 15th. A video of Monday night's City Council discussion can be accessed here: https://www.cityofpsl.com/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/8035/2022

"FedEx's interest in building this significant facility in Southern Grove is a major step in the development of Port St. Lucie's strategic jobs corridor," City Manager Russ Blackburn said. "We believe this site, located next to Interstate 95, is an excellent location for this project and will greatly benefit FedEx and Port St. Lucie residents alike."

Legacy Park at Tradition is a new 3.2 million-square-foot light industrial and distribution center development led by the Sansone Group. The St. Louis-based developer entered into an agreement earlier this year with Port St. Lucie to acquire 300 acres situated along 195 and the corner of Becker Road and Village Parkway.

"FedEx Ground's site location interest in Port St. Lucie for a state-of-the art sortation facility is further testament that Tradition/Southern Grove is rapidly becoming Florida's premier advanced manufacturing and logistics commerce park," said Pete Tesch, President of the Economic Development Council of St. Lucie County. "The teamwork of the City of Port St. Lucie, St. Lucie County Commission, St. Lucie EDC and the Sansone Group makes our community a winner! The EDC looks forward to welcoming FedEx Ground as St. Lucie's newest corporate partner."

About FedEx

FedEx Corp. (NYSE: FDX) provides customers and businesses worldwide with a broad portfolio of transportation, e-commerce, and business services. FedEx Ground specializes in cost-effective, ground package shipping, offering dependable business-to-business service in the U.S. and Canada. For media inquiries, contact Allie Addoms at 412.747.4277.

About the Economic Development Council of St. Lucie County

The EDC is a private, not-for-profit organization dedicated to promoting economic vitality in St. Lucie County through the attraction, retention and expansion of businesses in the community. The EDC works in partnership with local governments and the private sector to advance its goals of creating more and better-paying jobs for residents, broadening the tax base and improving St. Lucie County's economic quality of life. For more information, visit <u>www.youredc.com</u>.

About the City of Port St. Lucie

The City of Port St. Lucie is proud to be a hometown where people live, learn, work and play, and celebrate all of life's opportunities. With over 200,000 residents, Port St. Lucie is Florida's seventh largest city by population (South Florida's 3rd largest city). The City occupies an area of 120 square miles in St. Lucie County on Florida's east coast, about 50 miles north of West Palm Beach, halfway between Miami and Orlando. The City provides most traditional municipal services including law enforcement, water and sewer, and public works. For more information, please visit: www.cityofpsl.com