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Our community and surrounding communities should be aware that the City of Pine Island is considering a proposal to send wastewater from a planned Google AI hyperscale data center to the joint wastewater treatment facility. At this time, important details—such as how much wastewater would be discharged, what it would contain, and how it could affect our environment—have not been shared publicly. From reading the documents, it doesn't appear that any discussion had occurred prior regarding the data center.

As neighbors and stakeholders, we all have a vested interest in protecting our local waterways, infrastructure, and public health. Before any decisions are made, the community deserves clear, complete information. This includes the types of chemicals involved, the expected volume of discharge, and a detailed plan for monitoring and minimizing any potential risks.

Open communication and careful review are essential to ensuring that any path forward reflects the best interests of our community, now and for the future.