

NOTICE OF HEARING TO IMPOSE AND PROVIDE FOR COLLECTION OF FIRE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS



Notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale will conduct a public hearing to consider imposing a fire special assessment fee for the provision of fire services within the Municipal Boundaries of the City of Fort Lauderdale for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024.

The public hearing has been scheduled for 5:01 p.m. on Thursday, September 12, 2024, at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts – Mary N. Porter Riverview Ballroom – 201 SW 5th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312 for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed assessment. All affected property owners have a right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections with the City Commission within 20 days of this notice.

The assessment for each parcel of property will be based upon each parcel's classification and the total number of billing units attributed to that parcel. The following table reflects the proposed fire assessment schedule.

For the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024, the Fire Assessed Cost is estimated to be \$53,590,517. The Fire Assessments to be assessed and apportioned among benefited parcels pursuant to

the Cost Apportionment and Parcel Apportionment to generate the estimated Fire Assessed Cost for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2024, are as follows:

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY USE CATEGORIES		Rate Per Dwelling Unit		
All Residential		\$328		
NON-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY USE CATEGORIES		Building Classification (in square foot ranges)	Commercial	Industrial/ Warehouse
		≤ 1,999	\$518	\$66
		2,000 - 3,499	\$1,035	\$131
		3,500 - 4,999	\$1,812	\$229
		5,000 - 9,999	\$2,588	\$327
		10,000 - 19,999	\$5,175	\$653
		20,000 - 29,999	\$10,350	\$1,306
		30,000 - 39,999	\$15,524	\$1,959
		40,000 - 49,999	\$20,699	\$2,612
		50,000 - 59,999	\$25,874	\$3,265
		60,000 - 69,999	\$31,048	\$3,918
		70,000 - 79,999	\$36,223	\$4,571
		80,000 - 89,999	\$41,398	\$5,224
		90,000 - 99,999	\$46,572	\$5,877
		≥ 100,000	\$51,747	\$6,530
				\$52,018

Copies of the Fire Assessment Ordinance (Ordinance No. C-99 49, as amended by Ordinance C-16-03), the Initial Assessment Resolution (Resolution No. 99-81), the Final Assessment Resolution (Resolution 99-100), the Preliminary Rate Resolution (24-135) initiating the annual process of updating the Assessment Roll and imposing the Fire Assessments, and the preliminary Assessment Roll for the upcoming fiscal year are available for inspection at the City Clerk's Office, 1 East Broward Boulevard, Suite 444, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301. The assessments will be collected on the ad valorem tax bill to be mailed in November 2024, as authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes. Failure to pay the assessments will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property, which may result in a loss of title. If you have any questions, please contact the Fire Rescue Department at (954) 828-6800, Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

NOTE: If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk's Office at (954) 828-5002 at least two days prior to the date of the hearing, and arrangements will be made to provide those services for you.

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