



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#25-0429

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: June 30, 2025

TITLE: Resolution Setting the Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Millage Rate and Debt Service Rate for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Setting the Millage Rate for the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District, and Acknowledging the Receipt of the City Manager's Budget Message and Proposed Budget - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution acknowledging receipt of the City Manager's budget message, estimates and recommendations, together with a Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026, setting the proposed millage rate for the FY 2026 Budget at 4.1193 per \$1,000 of taxable value and the debt service rate at 0.2306 per \$1,000 of taxable value, setting the FY 2026 proposed millage rate for the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District at 1.000 per \$1,000 of taxable value, and authorizing the City Manager to compute the rolled back rate and execute all appropriate instruments in order to advise the Broward County Property Appraiser of such millage rates and rolled-back rates.

Background

Per Section 9.02 of the City Charter, the City Manager is required to submit to the City Commission a budget message, estimates and recommendations, together with a proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025.

The proposed budget and community investment plan documents can be found on the City's website at: www.fortlauderdale.gov/budget.

The FY 2026 Proposed Budget includes a millage rate of 4.1193 per \$1,000 of taxable value. This millage supports the FY 2026 Proposed General Fund Operating Budget of \$520,457,629. The total proposed (tentative) budget for the City of Fort Lauderdale is \$1,194,259,515.

In addition, the proposed operating budget includes a debt service millage rate of 0.2306. This debt service millage covers the following: 0.0171 per \$1,000 of taxable value for debt service on the General Obligation Bonds Series 2015, 0.0175 per \$1,000 of taxable value for debt service on the General Obligation Bonds Series 2011A and the associated 2023

Refunding of that debt, 0.0776 per \$1,000 of taxable value for debt service on the Public Safety General Obligation Bond, and 0.1184 per \$1,000 of taxable value for debt service on the Parks General Obligation Bonds. The Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District board met on May 6, 2025 and approved a proposed millage rate of 1.0000 per \$1,000 of taxable value. This revenue supports the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District's proposed expenditure budget of \$199,800. Pursuant to Section 163.5151, Florida Statutes, the City Commission may approve, disapprove, or modify the budget or millage rate submitted by the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- Guiding Principle: Fiscal Responsibility

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035* Vision Plan: We Are United.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 - Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District Board Meeting Minutes

Exhibit 2 - Resolution

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