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## **Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, September 12, 2024 5:01 PM

Second Budget Hearing

Broward Center for the Performing Arts - Mary N. Porter Riverview Ballroom - 201 SW 5th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312

## **CITY COMMISSION - SPECIAL MEETING**

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor

STEVEN GLASSMAN Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District II

JOHN C. HERBST Commissioner - District I

PAM BEASLEY-PITTMAN Commissioner - District III

WARREN STURMAN Commissioner - District IV

SUSAN GRANT, Acting City Manager DAVID R. SOLOMAN, City Clerk THOMAS J. ANSBRO, City Attorney PATRICK REILLY, City Auditor

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Trantalis called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present 5 - Vice Mayor Steven Glassman, Commissioner Pam Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Warren Sturman, Commissioner John C. Herbst (arrived at 5:10 p.m.), and Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

## **COMMISSION QUORUM ESTABLISHED**

**Also Present:** Acting City Manager Susan Grant, City Clerk David R. Soloman, City Attorney Thomas J. Ansbro, and City Auditor Patrick Reilly

#### SECOND BUDGET HEARING

## **BGT-1** 24-0774

Resolution Approving the Fiscal Year 2025 Central Wastewater Region Large User Rate of \$2.85 per 1,000 Gallons of Wastewater Treated - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

## **ADOPTED**

**Yea:** 4 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Herbst

## **BGT-2** 24-0684

Resolution Adopting the Final Five-Year Community Investment Plan for Fiscal Years 2025-2029 and Appropriating Funding for Fiscal Year 2025 Community Investment Plan Projects - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Paul Renneison, 3111 NE 57th Court. Mr. Renneison discussed his concerns regarding the budget process and cited examples. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding CIPs in The Landings neighborhood and public participation in the budget process.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Mr. Renneison said that he

was not permitted to provide his input during discussion of the FY 2025 Budget during Commission Joint Workshops with the Budget Advisory Committee.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Commissioner Herbst remarked on discussions regarding CIPs planned for The Landings neighborhood with Acting City Manager Susan Grant and Acting Assistant City Manager Laura Reece. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Vice Mayor Glassman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

#### **ADOPTED**

Yea: 5 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis

**BGT-3** 24-0828

Public Hearing - Annual Assessment Resolution for Fiscal Year 2025 - Stormwater Program Management - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis noted a scrivener's error in this Agenda item. Acting City Manager Grant confirmed that the 2024 date was corrected to 2025.

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis and Acting City Manager Grant read their respective portions of the BGT-3 Script.

## A copy of the budget script is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Mercedes Gregorio, 1665 SW 29th Avenue. Ms. Gregorio discussed her viewpoint regarding infrastructure needs not maintained by the City in the Chula Vista neighborhood, specifically a twenty-five foot (25') drainage swale (swale). Ms. Gregorio submitted a plat illustration and discussed related concerns.

## A copy of the document has been made part of the backup to this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Dr. Nancy Gassman, Public Works Department Deputy Director. Dr. Gassman said the Chula Vista neighborhood is being considered under the second phase of the Stormwater Master Plan and design work is ongoing to determine drainage improvements.

Commissioner Sturman said that the Chula Vista neighborhood would be part of the second phase of stormwater improvements.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Acting City Manager Grant explained details of stormwater bond funding.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Ms. Gregorio discussed concerns related to the swales, which the City has not maintained and expounded on related information.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Dr. Gassman said maintenance of swales associated with an upland property are the responsibility of the property owner. Dr. Gassman explained that storm water drainage in any area depends on the adjacent roadway ownership and cited examples. Dr. Gassman confirmed she would contact Ms. Gregorio to clarify related information.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's question, Acting City Manager Grant remarked on Staff efforts and confirmed there would be follow-up.

Ms. Gregorio said that she does not support approval of the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget and expounded on her viewpoint. Mayor Trantalis explained information regarding allocated funds related to this Agenda item. Further comment and discussion ensued.

There being no one else wishing to speak on this item, Vice Mayor Glassman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Beasley-Pittman. Roll call showed AYES: Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

Vice Mayor Glassman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

#### **ADOPTED**

Yea: 5 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman,
Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis

**BGT-4** 24-0685

Public Hearing - Resolution Adopting the Lauderdale Isles Water Management District's Fiscal Year 2025 Budget and Non-Ad Valorem Assessment of \$15 Per Parcel Abutting on the Canals -(Commission District 4)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis and Acting City Manager Grant read their respective

portions of the BGT-4 Script.

## A copy of the budget script is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman. Roll call showed AYES: Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

Commissioner Sturman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

#### **ADOPTED**

Yea: 5 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis

**BGT-5** 24-0686

Public Hearing - Resolution Adopting the Fiscal Year 2025 Non-Ad Valorem Assessment - Nuisance Abatement - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis and Acting City Manager Grant read their respective portions of the BGT-5 Script.

#### A copy of the budget script is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Sturman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman. Roll call showed AYES: Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

Commissioner Sturman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

#### **ADOPTED**

Yea: 5 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman,
Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis

**BGT-6** 24-0687

Public Hearing - Resolution Adopting the Fiscal Year 2025 Non-Ad Valorem Assessment - Utility Undergrounding - (Commission District 2)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis and Acting City Manager Grant read their respective

portions of the BGT-6 Script.

## A copy of the budget script is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Paul Renneison, 3111 NE 57th Court. Mr. Renneison discussed The Landings neighborhood's efforts to underground utilities and explained related information.

Commissioner Herbst discussed attending The Landings Homeowner's Association Meetings, noted that more signatures are needed to meet the threshold required to move forward with a resident assessment for undergrounding utilities, and expounded on related details. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis reconfirmed the need for a specific threshold and remarked on other challenges associated with undergrounding utilities in neighborhoods. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding working to achieve the necessary homeowner threshold.

There being no one else wishing to speak on this item, Vice Mayor Glassman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Beasley-Pittman. Roll call showed AYES: Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

Vice Mayor Glassman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

#### **ADOPTED**

**Yea:** 5 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis

BGT-7 24-0688

Public Hearing - Beach Business Improvement District Annual Rate Resolution for Fiscal Year 2025 - (Commission District 2)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis and Acting City Manager Grant read their respective portions of the BGT-7 Script.

#### A copy of the budget script is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Vice Mayor Glassman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Herbst. Roll call showed AYES: Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

Vice Mayor Glassman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

#### **ADOPTED**

**Yea:** 5 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis

**BGT-8** 24-0689

Public Hearing - Resolution Adopting the Fiscal Year 2025 Fire Assessment and Assessment Roll for Provision of Fire Services, Programs and Facilities - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis and Acting City Manager Grant read their respective portions of the BGT-8 Script.

#### A copy of the budget script is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Acting City Manager Grant discussed the reasoning for the reduction in the FY 2025 Fire Assessment.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Sturman. Roll call showed AYES: Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

Commissioner Sturman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

#### **ADOPTED**

Yea: 5 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis

**BGT-9** 24-0690

Public Hearing - Resolutions Adopting the Fiscal Year 2025 Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District's Final Millage Rate and Final Budget - (1) Final Millage Rate (1.0000) and (2) Final Budget (\$201,660) - (Commission District 2)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis and Acting City Manager Grant read their respective portions of the BGT-9 Script.

A copy of the budget script is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Vice Mayor Glassman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Beasley-Pittman. Roll call showed AYES: Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

Vice Mayor Glassman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

## **ADOPTED - Millage**

Yea: 5 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman,
Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis

Vice Mayor Glassman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

## **ADOPTED - Budget**

Yea: 5 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis

BGT-1 <u>24-0691</u>

Public Hearing - Resolution Adopting the Fiscal Year 2025 Final Millage Rate (4.1193) and Debt Service Millage Rate (0.2545) for the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis and Acting City Manager Grant read their respective portions of the BGT-10 Script.

## A copy of the budget script is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman. Roll call showed AYES: Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

Vice Mayor Glassman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

#### **ADOPTED**

Yea: 5 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis

BGT-1 <u>24-0692</u>

Public Hearing - Resolution Adopting the Fiscal Year 2025 Final Budget and Personnel Complement for the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis and Acting City Manager Grant read their respective portions of the BGT-11 Script.

#### A copy of the budget script is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Paul Renneison, 3111 NE 57th Court. Mr. Renneison reiterated his earlier comments regarding the budget process and the need for transparency and discussed examples and recommendations.

Mayor Trantalis noted his availability to discuss items related to the budget, along with members of the Budget Advisory Board, who are available to discuss budget-related items. Further comment and discussion ensued.

There being no one else wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Herbst made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman. Roll call showed AYES: Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Resolution which was read by title only

#### **ADOPTED**

**Yea:** 5 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Trantalls adjourned the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

Dean J. Trantalis

Mayor

ATTEST:

David R. Soloman

City Clerk



# FY 2025 Second Budget Public Hearing (Scripts)

Thursday, September 12, 2024

5:01pm

Broward Center for the Performing Arts Mary N. Porter Riverview Ballroom 201 SW 5th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312

## **September 12, 2024**

BGT-1 (Central Region Wastewater Large User Rate) and BGT-2 (Community Investment Plan)

## **NOT PUBLIC HEARINGS/No Script Required**

1. MAYOR: Ask for introduction of resolutions only for BGT-1 and BGT-2

## **September 12, 2024**

# Please read before beginning the script for Budget Item 3.

MAYOR: Before we begin Budget Item 3, please note that there was an adjustment to Exhibit 2 (CAM 24-0828) to correct a scrivener's error.

## September 12, 2024 BGT- 3 – PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

## Stormwater Non-Ad Valorem Assessment

- 1. MAYOR: This is the public hearing on the Stormwater Management Program assessment. The purpose of the hearing is to receive questions and comments regarding the City's Stormwater Management Program non-ad valorem assessment for Fiscal Year 2025. The public hearing is now open. The Acting City Manager will now present the Stormwater Management Program assessment report.
- 2. ACTING CITY MANAGER: The Stormwater Management Program assessment funds the planning, construction, operation, maintenance, and administration of the stormwater management system. The Stormwater Management Program assessment rate will be equal to the estimated costs paid by the City to operate the stormwater management program within the assessment area for FY 2025. The FY 2025 Stormwater Management Program assessment is estimated to generate \$36,541,453 in revenue.

This concludes my report.

3. MAYOR: This is the time for anyone in the public to speak or ask any questions about the Stormwater Management Program assessment.

CLERK – ANNOUNCES ANYONE WHO HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK

(AFTER PUBLIC INPUT)

**4.** MAYOR: If there is no further comment, is there A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING?

- 5. MAYOR: The final Stormwater Management Program assessment rate will be equal to the estimated costs paid by the City to operate the stormwater management program within the assessment area as provided in the resolution approving the Stormwater Management Program assessment.
- **6. MAYOR**: Will someone introduce the resolution adopting the Stormwater Management Program assessment roll for **Fiscal Year 2025**?

## September 12, 2024 BGT- 4 PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

## Lauderdale Isles Water Management District Assessment Non-Ad Valorem Assessment

- 1. MAYOR: This is the public hearing on the Lauderdale Isles Water Management District non-ad valorem assessment and budget. The purpose of the hearing is to receive questions and comments regarding the Lauderdale Isles Water Management District non-ad valorem assessment and budget for Fiscal Year 2025. The public hearing is now open. The Acting City Manager will now present the Lauderdale Isles Water Management District non-ad valorem assessment and budget.
- 2. ACTING CITY MANAGER: The Lauderdale Isles Water Improvement District assesses the residents of this special district to protect water quality of the waterways in Lauderdale Isles. At the district's June 17, 2024 meeting, the board voted to continue levying an assessment of \$15 per parcel for Fiscal Year 2025, which will generate \$8,265. The total budget for the District was adopted by the board at \$127,636.

This concludes my report.

3. MAYOR: This is the time for anyone in the public to speak or ask any questions about the Lauderdale Isles Water Management District non-ad valorem assessment and budget.

#### CLERK – ANNOUNCES ANYONE WHO HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK

(AFTER PUBLIC INPUT)

**4.** MAYOR: If there is no further comment, is there A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING?

## **CLERK - PLEASE CALL THE ROLL**

5. MAYOR: The final Lauderdale Isles Water Management non-ad valorem assessment for Fiscal Year 2025 will be \$15.00 per parcel within the district.

Will someone introduce a resolution approving the Lauderdale Isles Water Management District Non-Ad Valorem assessment and budget for **Fiscal Year 2025**?

## September 12, 2024 BGT - 5 PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

## Nuisance Abatement Non-Ad Valorem Assessment

- 1. MAYOR: This is the public hearing on the Nuisance Abatement non-ad valorem assessment. The purpose of the hearing is to receive questions and comments regarding the City's Nuisance Abatement assessment for Fiscal Year 2025. The public hearing is now open. The Acting City Manager will now present the Nuisance Abatement non-ad valorem assessment report.
- 2. ACTING CITY MANAGER: The Nuisance Abatement assessment rate will be equal to the actual cost paid by the City to abate the nuisance. The assessment represents 100% cost recovery of the expenses incurred by the City to abate the identified nuisance. The Fiscal Year 2025 Nuisance Abatement assessment will generate \$30,748.70 in revenue.

This concludes my report.

3. MAYOR: This is the time for anyone in the public to speak or ask any questions about the Nuisance Abatement assessment.

CLERK – ANNOUNCES ANYONE WHO HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK

(AFTER PUBLIC INPUT)

**4.** MAYOR: If there is no further comment, is there A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING?

- **5.** MAYOR: The final Nuisance Abatement assessment rate will be equal to the actual cost paid by the City to abate the nuisance for each business and residential property as provided in the resolution approving the Nuisance Abatement assessment.
- **6. MAYOR**: Will someone introduce a resolution approving the Nuisance Abatement assessment roll for **Fiscal Year 2025**?

## September 12, 2024 BGT- 6 PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

# Utility Undergrounding Non-Ad Valorem Assessment

- 1. MAYOR: This is the public hearing on the Utility Undergrounding non-ad valorem assessment. The purpose of the hearing is to receive questions and comments regarding the City's Utility Undergrounding assessment for Fiscal Year 2025. The public hearing is now open. The Acting City Manager will now present the Utility Undergrounding non-ad valorem assessment report.
- 2. <u>ACTING CITY MANAGER</u>: The FY 2025 Utility Undergrounding assessment rate will be equal to the actual debt service for the undergrounding of overhead utilities project within the assessment area. The assessment amount is \$1,709.33 per Equivalent Benefit Unit (EBU). The Fiscal Year 2025 Utility Undergrounding assessment is estimated to generate \$526,473.68.

This concludes my report.

3. MAYOR: This is the time for anyone in the public to speak or ask any questions about the Utility Undergrounding assessment.

CLERK – ANNOUNCES ANYONE WHO HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK

(AFTER PUBLIC INPUT)

4. MAYOR: If there is no further comment, is there A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING?

- 5. MAYOR: The final Utility Undergrounding assessment rate for Fiscal Year 2025 will be \$1,709.33 per Equivalent Benefit Unit (EBU).
- 6. MAYOR: Will someone introduce a resolution approving the Utility Undergrounding assessment rate for Fiscal Year 2025?

## September 12, 2024 BGT - 7 PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

## Beach Business Improvement District Non-Ad Valorem Assessment

- 1. MAYOR: This is the public hearing on the Beach Business Improvement District non-ad valorem assessment. The purpose of the hearing is to receive questions and comments regarding the City's Beach Business Improvement District assessment for Fiscal Year 2025. The public hearing is now open. The Acting City Manager will now present the Beach Business Improvement District non-ad valorem assessment report.
- 2. ACTING CITY MANAGER: The Beach Business Improvement District assessment imposes an assessment on certain portions of beach property to establish funding to support services, facilities, and/or programs providing a special benefit to business properties and areas within the beach business boundaries. The Fiscal Year 2025 Beach Business Improvement District assessment rate is recommended at \$0.8525 per \$1,000 of assessed property value to generate approximately \$1,267,604 in revenue.

This concludes my report.

3. MAYOR: This is the time for anyone in the public to speak or ask any questions about the Beach Business Improvement District special assessment.

CLERK – ANNOUNCES ANYONE WHO HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK

(AFTER PUBLIC INPUT)

**4.** MAYOR: If there is no further public comment, is there A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING?

- 5. MAYOR: The final Beach Business Improvement District assessment rate will be \$0.8525 per \$1,000 of assessed value for each business property used for commercial purposes as provided in the resolution approving the Beach Business Improvement District assessment.
- 6. MAYOR: Will someone introduce a Resolution approving the Beach Business Improvement District annual rate resolution for Fiscal Year 2025?

## September 12, 2024 BGT-8 PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

## **Fire Assessment**

- MAYOR: This is the public hearing on the fire assessment. The purpose of the hearing
  is to receive questions and comments regarding the City's fire assessment for Fiscal
  Year 2025. The public hearing is now open. The Acting City Manager will now present
  the fire assessment report.
- 2. ACTING CITY MANAGER: The Fire Assessment program provides funding for fire suppression services, facilities, and programs that will benefit the City in its entirety, such as fire facility improvements, equipment, and cost of operations to fund the City's fire services and facilities. The residential assessment rate is recommended at \$328 per year. Non-residential properties are assessed based upon building classification and square foot ranges. For Fiscal Year 2025, the proposed assessment is \$53,590,517 which is estimated to generate \$51,446,896 in revenue to the General Fund.

That concludes my report.

 MAYOR: This is the time for anyone in the public to speak or ask any questions about the fire assessment.

CLERK – ANNOUNCES ANYONE WHO HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK

(AFTER PUBLIC INPUT)

**4. MAYOR**: If there is no further public comment, is there A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING?

- **5.** MAYOR: The final fire assessment rate will be \$328 annually for each residential property and the final fire assessment rate for non-residential properties shall be as shown on the detailed rate schedule provided in the resolution approving the fire-assessment.
- 6. MAYOR: Will someone introduce a resolution adopting the fire assessment rate and roll for Fiscal Year 2025?

## September 12, 2024 BGT - 9 PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

## SUNRISE KEY NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FINAL MILLAGE AND BUDGET

(Millage MUST be approved before budget – separate votes)

- 1. MAYOR: This is the second of two public hearings as required by law on the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District millage rate and budget for Fiscal Year 2025. The purpose of the hearing is to receive questions and comments regarding the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District's budget and to explain the budget and any amendments thereto. The public hearing is now open. The Acting City Manager will now present the final millage rate and final budget.
- 2. ACTING CITY MANAGER: The Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District taxes the residents of this special district to provide security to their neighborhood. At their May 14, 2024 meeting, the district voted their millage at 1.0000 mill to generate a tax collection of \$201,660 to support an operating budget of \$201,660. This millage rate is 5.30% more than the roll back rate of 0.9497 mills and is necessary to maintain services for the Sunrise Key Neighborhood District.

This concludes my report on Sunrise Key.

MAYOR: This is the time for anyone in the public to speak or ask any questions about the millage rate or budget.

CLERK – ANNOUNCES ANYONE WHO HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK

(AFTER PUBLIC INPUT)

**4. MAYOR**: If there is no further public comment, is there A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING?

- 5. MAYOR: The final millage rate for the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District will be 1.0000 mill which represents an increase of 5.30% over the rolled back rate of 0.9497 mills.
- 6. MAYOR: Will someone introduce a Resolution adopting the Final Millage Rate for the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District for Fiscal Year 2025?

7. MAYOR: Will someone introduce a Resolution adopting the Final Budget for the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District for Fiscal Year 2025?

## September 12, 2024 BGT- 10 PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE FY 2025 FINAL MILLAGE

(This MUST be adopted BEFORE the Final Budget)

- 1. MAYOR: This is the second of two public hearings as required by law on the millage rates for Fiscal Year 2025. The purpose of the hearing is to receive requests and comments regarding the City's millage rate and to explain any amendments thereto. The public hearing is now open and the Acting City Manager will now present the Final millage rate on which the Fiscal Year 2025 budget is based.
- 2. ACTING CITY MANAGER: The Fiscal Year 2025 City of Fort Lauderdale Final Budget includes maintaining the current millage rate of 4.1193 and decreasing the combined debt service millage from .2737 to .2545 mills. The recommended millage rate of 4.1193 exceeds the rolled-back rate of 3.8408 by 7.25%. The aggregate final millage rate, including the Sunrise Key Dependent District is 4.1229, which results in an increase of 7.25% above the aggregate rolled-back rate of 3.8443 and is premised upon the following:
  - Funding Increases in Wages and Insurances
  - Funding Key Commission Priorities & Community Investment Plan Projects
  - Maintaining a Healthy Fund Balance

Increases to the **Fiscal Year 2025** General Fund Budget that require maintaining the millage at the same rate as the prior **seventeen (17)** years include:

- \$12.6 Million for the increase in fringe benefits such as health insurance and pension contributions
- \$10.5 Million for the increase in salaries and wages
- \$2.6 Million for the increase in insurance expenses

That concludes my report.

3. <u>MAYOR</u>: This is the time for anyone in the public to speak or ask any questions about the final millage rates.

CLERK – Announce anyone who has signed up to speak

(AFTER PUBLIC INPUT)

**4.** MAYOR: If there is no further public comment, is there A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING?

## CLERK – PLEASE CALL THE ROLL

## 5. MAYOR ANNOUNCES:

- A. The recommended millage rate to be levied for all general City purposes exclusive of debt service will be <u>4.1193</u> which represent a <u>7.25%</u> increase in the millage rate over the rolled-back rate of <u>3.8408</u> mills.
- B The aggregate final millage rate, including dependent districts is <u>4.1229</u>, which results in an increase of <u>7.25%</u> above the aggregate rolled-back rate of <u>3.8443</u> mills.
- C. The recommended millage rate for debt service for the 2015 General Obligation Refunding Bonds is **0.0189**.
- D. The recommended millage rate for debt service for the 2011A General Obligation Bonds is **0.0193**.
- E. The recommended millage rate for debt service for the City's Voter Approved Public Safety Bond is **0.0856**.
- F. The recommended millage rate for debt service for the City's Voter Approved Parks Bond is **0.1307**.
- **6.** <u>MAYOR</u>: Will someone introduce a resolution adopting the **final millage rates** for the City of Fort Lauderdale for the **Fiscal Year 2025**?

# September 12, 2024 BGT- 11 PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET SCRIPT

# CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE FY 2025 FINAL BUDGET DISCUSSION

- 1. <u>MAYOR</u>: This is the second of two public hearings as required by law on the City of Fort Lauderdale's budget for Fiscal Year 2025. The purpose of the hearing is to receive requests and comments regarding the City's budget and to explain the budget and any amendments thereto. The public hearing is now open. The Acting City Manager will now present the Final budget.
- 2. <u>ACTING CITY MANAGER</u>: The Fiscal Year 2025 City of Fort Lauderdale Final Budget includes maintaining the same millage rate of 4.1193 and decreasing the annual Fire Assessment rate by \$10 to \$328 per residential unit. The Final budget is premised on the following:
  - Funding Increases in Wages and Insurances
  - Funding Key Commission Priorities & Community Investment Plan Projects
  - Maintaining a Healthy Fund Balance

There have been no adjustments to the **Fiscal Year 2025 Budget** since the approval of the Tentative Budget on **September 3, 2024**.

That concludes my report on the FY 2025 Final Budget.

3. MAYOR: This is the time for anyone in the public to speak or ask any questions about the final budget.

Announcement of anyone who has signed up to speak

(AFTER PUBLIC INPUT)

**4.** MAYOR: If there is no further public comment, is there A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING?

CLERK - PLEASE CALL THE ROLL

\*\*\*Note: If there is an amendment, a motion to amend the final budget should be made and numbers replaced in Paragraph 5 and Mayor publicly announces the final budget as revised.

## 5. MAYOR ANNOUNCES:

The final total all funds budget for the City of Fort Lauderdale is \$1,193,279,369, which will fund the various operations of the City of Fort Lauderdale for the fiscal period beginning October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2025.

6. MAYOR: Will someone introduce a resolution adopting the Final budget for the City of Fort Lauderdale for the Fiscal Year 2025?

