



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING**

**#26-0498**

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

**FROM:** Rickelle Williams, City Manager

**DATE:** July 2, 2026

**TITLE:** Motion Setting the Public Hearing Dates to Consider the Proposed Fiscal Year 2027 Millage Rate and Budget for the City of Fort Lauderdale and for the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission set Wednesday, September 9, 2026, and Monday, September 14, 2026, at 5:01 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, at the Fort Lauderdale Police Department Headquarters, 1300 West Broward Boulevard, Community Room No.1004, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312, as the public hearing dates, time and place for the consideration of the proposed Fiscal Year 2027 millage rate and budget for the City of Fort Lauderdale and for the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District.

**Background**

Florida Statutes require that a public hearing on the proposed millage rate and tentative budget be held within eighty (80) days, but not earlier than sixty-five (65) days following the certification of taxable values by the Broward County Property Appraiser (July 1, 2026). Municipal budget public hearings cannot be held on the same days as those of the Broward County School Board (July 28, 2026 and September 8, 2026) or the Broward County Board of County Commissioners (September 10, 2026 and September 22, 2026).

The City's proposed schedule for the adoption of its millage rate and budget, as well as the Sunrise Key Neighborhood Improvement District's millage rate and budget is presented below:

- August 4, 2026 – The proposed millage rate, the rolled-back rate, and the date, time, and place at which a public hearing will be held to consider the proposed millage rate and the tentative budget must be submitted to the Property Appraiser and entered into the Department of Revenue's electronic application (required within thirty-five (35) days of certification of value).
- September 9, 2026 – Public hearing will be held at 5:01 p.m. at the Fort Lauderdale Police Department Headquarters, Community Room No. 1004, to adopt a tentative

millage rate and budget by resolution.

- September 11, 2026 – City will advertise its intent to adopt a final millage rate and final budget and the date of the final public hearing (required within fifteen (15) days of adoption of the tentative budget). The public hearing to finalize the budget and adopt a millage rate must be held not less than two (2) days nor more than five (5) days after the day that the advertisement is first published. §200.065(2)(d), Fla. Stat. (2025).
- September 14, 2026 – Public hearing will be held at 5:01 p.m. at the Fort Lauderdale Police Department Headquarters, Community Room No. 1004, to adopt the final millage rate and final budget by resolution.

**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.

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