Monday, July 17, 2023
Community Center
Immediately Following
6:00PM City Council Budget Workshop

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Dave Gattis followed by a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Roll Call: Present were Councilmembers Frank Bankard, Belinda Livingstone, Leslie Notaro, Lloyd Roberts, and Mike Zabel; Mayor Dave Gattis, Vice Mayor Jody Shirley via telephone, City Manager Kyle Riefler, and City Clerk Patricia Gentry.

For continuity, items are listed in agenda order although not necessarily discussed in that order.

1. Consideration of setting the Tentative Millage Rate for FY 2023/2024.

City Manager Riefler stated, in part:

- The City's 2023 gross taxable value from the Pinellas County Property Appraiser's Office is \$809,623,280.00, an increase over last year's gross taxable value of approximately \$79,000.00 [\$79,268,227.00], a 10.85% increase over the prior year final gross taxable value. The rolled back rate calculated at that value would be 1.894 mills which would generate revenue of \$1,427,425.00 at a 96% collection rate
- The final millage rate cannot exceed the tentatively adopted millage rate, but can be lower
- Setting the millage rate at the 2.0394%, as it is currently and has been for a number of years, the net ad valorem revenue will be \$1,585,100.00 [a 9.32% increase from the roll back rate]
- The First Public Hearing will be Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at 6:00pm
- The Final Public Hearing will be Monday, September 18, 2023, at 5:05pm

City Manager Riefler advised that the budget projections for the past year for the bond issue and stormwater project had been based on a millage rate of 2.0394% and he recommended that the Tentative Millage Rate be set at 2.0394%.

There were no public comments.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Bankard and seconded by Councilmember Notaro to set the Tentative Millage Rate at 2.0394%.

Councilmember Bankard	Yes
Councilmember Livingstone	Yes
Councilmember Notaro	Yes
Councilmember Roberts	Aye
Councilmember Zabel	Aye
Vice Mayor Shirley	Aye
Mayor Gattis	Aye

Motion passed 7-0.

ADJOURN

MOTION was made by Councilmember Bankard and seconded by Councilmember Notaro to adjourn at 7:06pm.

Motion passed 7-0.

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APPROVED:

ATTEST.

Patricia A. Gentry, City Clerk