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SPECIAL CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

City Commission Chambers

September 14, 2023

6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Veronica Edwards Phillips, called the September 14, 2023, Special City Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Veronica Edwards Phillips
Vice Mayor Karlene Maxwell-Williams
Commissioner Tycie Causwell
Commissioner Mark Spence
Commissioner Sharon Thomas

ALSO PRESENT

City Manager Treasa Brown Stubbs
City Attorney Sidney Calloway
City Clerk Venice Howard
City Staff

3. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF THE SPECIAL MEETING

Mayor Edwards Phillips stated the purpose of the special meeting.

4. CONSIDERATION OF BUSINESS CONTAINED IN THE CALL FOR SPECIAL MEETING

A. RESOLUTION 2023-113 ADOPTING A TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2023, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; SETTING A DATE AND TIME FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE FINAL MILLAGE RATE

This resolution establishes and adopts a tentative operating millage rate to fund Fiscal Year 2023-2024 operations and a second and separate millage rate to fund voter approved debt service obligations for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Advertising for this public hearing appeared on the Truth-in-Millage (TRIM) Notice mailed to all property owners.

Staff recommends approval to adopt a resolution establishing the City of Lauderdale Lakes Fiscal Year 2024 (October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2024) tentative operating millage at 8.6000 (8.5 mills operating and .1 mills reserves). Approval is also recommended to adopt a separate City of Lauderdale Lakes Fiscal Year 2024 tentative voted debt service millage of .7350 mills for a combined total tentative millage rate of 9.3350.

City Attorney Calloway read Resolution 2023-113 by title:

RESOLUTION 2023-113

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2023, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; FURTHER SETTING A DATE AND TIME FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE FINAL MILLAGE RATE AND BUDGET; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DATE, TIME AND PLACE FOR A FINAL PUBLIC HEARING; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Spence made a motion to move Resolution 2023-113 to the floor for discussion.

Mayor Edwards Phillips requested a roll call:

FOR: Mayor Veronica Edwards Phillips, Vice Mayor Karlene Maxwell-Williams, Commissioner Tycie Causwell, Commissioner Mark Spence, Commissioner Sharon Thomas

Motion passed: 5-0

Mr. Hepburn stated that the tentative operating millage rate for FY 2023/2024 is 8.6000 mills. The tentative voter debt service millage rate for FY 2023/2024 is .7350 and the total tentative millage rate for FY 2023/2024 is 9.3350.

Mayor Edwards Phillips opened the floor for the public hearing. Hearing none, Mayor Edwards Phillips closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Spence made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-113.

Mayor Edwards Phillips requested a roll call:

FOR: Mayor Veronica Edwards Phillips, Vice Mayor Karlene Maxwell-Williams, Commissioner Tycie Causwell, Commissioner Mark Spence, Commissioner Sharon Thomas

Motion passed: 5-0

B. ORDINANCE 2023-008 APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024, COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2023, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024

This ordinance provides for the adoption of tentative funding to certain appropriation centers consistent with the City Manager's proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget and subsequent modifications from the Budget Workshop. Advertising for the this public hearing appeared on the Truth-in- Millage (TRIM) Notice mailed to all property owners. Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance establishing the City of Lauderdale Lakes Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget (All Funds) of \$100,846,423. This ordinance appropriates funding for the City's core services including police and fire services.

It is recommended that the City Commission follow the procedures set out in Florida Statutes (F.S.) 200.065:

- Adopt the recommended Tentative FY 2023-2024 Annual City Budget/Appropriation ordinance after having adopted the tentative millage rate;
- Announce that the final public hearing on the FY 2023-2024 Annual City Budget is scheduled for September 26, 2023 at 7:00 PM to be held at City Hall, 4300 NW 36th Street, Lauderdale Lakes. But also the public meeting will be available virtually and instructions to access the meeting can be found on the City's agenda website:
<https://lauderdalelakes.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/>

City Attorney Calloway read Ordinance 2023-008 by title:

ORDINANCE 2023-008

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA; APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024, COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2023, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024, A COPY OF SAID TENTATIVE BUDGET IS ATTACHED HERETO AS **EXHIBIT A**, A DRAFT COPY OF WHICH CAN BE INSPECTED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF RECITALS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to move Ordinance 2023-008 to the floor for discussion.

Mayor Edwards Phillips requested a roll call:

FOR: Mayor Veronica Edwards Phillips, Vice Mayor Karlene Maxwell-Williams, Commissioner Tycie Causwell, Commissioner Mark Spence, Commissioner Sharon Thomas

Motion passed: 5-0

Mr. Hepburn stated that the General Fund is supported by the tentative property tax millage of 8.6000 mills. The budget for the FY 2024 is \$100,846,423. This is an increase of 11.3% from the FY 2023 budget. The increase is due to the use of appropriation, Capital Improvement Projects, American Rescue Plan Act funds, loan proceeds and other grant funds. These funds were used towards the Stormwater drainage, 3% Cost of Living Adjustment, health insurance costs, 4% merit increase, Business Assistance programs, Residential Assistance programs, Human Service Assistance programs, Canal Bank Stabilization projects, Commercial Improvement Assistance programs, City Chambers and Gereffi Room retrofits, and to partially fund the new Community Center.

Mayor Edwards Phillips opened the floor for a public hearing. Hearing none, Mayor Edwards Phillips closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-008.

Mayor Edwards Phillips requested a roll call:

FOR: Mayor Veronica Edwards Phillips, Vice Mayor Karlene Maxwell-Williams, Commissioner Tycie Causwell, Commissioner Mark Spence, Commissioner Sharon Thomas

Motion passed: 5-0

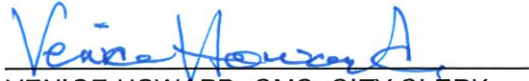
5. CONSIDERATION OF OTHER MATTERS BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

6. ADJOURNMENT

Being that there was no other business to come before the City Commission, the meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.


VERONICA EDWARDS PHILLIPS, MAYOR

ATTEST:


VENICE HOWARD, CMC, CITY CLERK

