



CITY OF COCONUT CREEK CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

**Government Center
4800 W. Copans Road
Coconut Creek, Florida**

**Date: September 12, 2019
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Meeting No. 2019-0912SP
First Budget Hearing**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Welch called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

PRESENT UPON ROLL CALL:

Mayor Sandra L. Welch
Commissioner Rebecca A. Tooley
Commissioner Mikkie Belvedere
Commissioner Joshua Rydell (6:15 p.m.)
City Manager Mary C. Blasi
City Attorney Terrill C. Pyburn
City Clerk Leslie Wallace May

EXCUSED:

Vice Mayor Lou Sarbone

Mayor Welch asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the Pledge, Mayor Welch opened the floor for input from the public. Justin Felter and Ashley Sawyer, 5153 NW 49 Avenue, Coconut Creek, commented that they live adjacent to Winston Park Nature Center and were at the meeting to speak about the noise from activity on the volleyball courts, which they could hear inside their home. They said they could hear music, yelling, and thuds from the volleyball starting before 7 a.m. and continuing after 10 p.m., and asked the City for guidance to address this issue. Mayor Welch commented that staff would contact them to discuss their request.

Patricia Duaybes, 4106 Oxbow Drive, Coconut Creek, spoke about a tree she wanted removed and replaced in her neighborhood. She commented on the cost of the tree removal and replacement and asked the City to consider providing a grant program for residents to assist with the cost.

Finance and Administrative Services

- 1. ORD 2019-031** AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY'S OPERATING PROPERTY TAX AT 6.5378 MILLS FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR. (FIRST PUBLIC HEARING)

City Attorney Pyburn read the Ordinance title into the record.

MOTION: Tooley/Belvedere – To approve Ordinance No. 2019-031 on First Reading.

Mayor Welch noted that this was the first public hearing on the City's 2019 Ad Valorem Tax Rate and 2020 Fiscal Year Budget.

Mayor Welch introduced Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer Karen Brooks, who gave a brief summary of both the Property Tax Rate Ordinance and the 2020 Fiscal Year Budget Ordinance. Ms. Brooks noted that the proposed Millage Rate of 6.5378 represented a 4.58% increase over the rollback rate and explained that it was necessary to maintain service levels and was the rate included on the notice of proposed property taxes mailed to each property owner in August. She reviewed the steps undertaken to develop the proposed budget, including the variety of forums used to gather information and feedback from the community. She stated that the 2020 Fiscal Year Budget represented a financial strategy that was responsive to the community's desire for increased public safety, maintaining service levels, continued investments in capital projects and infrastructure maintenance, and promoting economic development.

Mayor Welch opened the public hearing. There were no questions or comments from the public. Ms. Brooks noted that if there were no changes from the City Commission, the City's operating property tax would be tentatively set at 6.5378 mills and the proposed FY2020 Budget would be tentatively adopted. The public hearing was closed.

Ms. Brooks clarified that the City was not raising the property tax rate from the previous year.

Upon roll call, the Ordinance passed on First Reading by a 4-0 vote.

2. **ORD 2019-032** AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET AS THE CITY'S OFFICIAL BUDGET. THIS ORDINANCE WILL APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR OPERATING CITY DEPARTMENTS AND CAPITAL PROJECTS FROM OCTOBER 1, 2019, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2020. (FIRST PUBLIC HEARING)

City Attorney Pyburn read the Ordinance title into the record.

MOTION: Tooley/Belvedere – To approve Ordinance No. 2019-032 on First Reading.

Mayor Welch opened the public hearing. There were no questions or comments from the public, and the public hearing was closed.

Upon roll call, the Ordinance passed on First Reading by a 4-0 vote.

3. **RES 2019-209** A RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES, FACILITIES, AND PROGRAMS IN THE CITY; ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF ASSESSMENT; IMPOSING FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE ASSESSMENTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY; AND APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL. (PUBLIC HEARING)

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Rydell/Tooley – To approve Resolution No. 2019-209.

Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer Karen Brooks presented the item and noted that there was a proposed three percent increase in the fire assessment rate. Mayor Welch opened the public hearing. There were no questions or comments from the public, and the public hearing was closed.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 4-0 vote.

4. **RES 2019-210** A RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE IN THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK; ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF ASSESSMENT; RE-IMPOSING SOLID WASTE SERVICE ASSESSMENTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY; AND APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL. (PUBLIC HEARING)

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Tooley/Belvedere – To approve Resolution No. 2019-210.

Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer Karen Brooks presented the item and explained that the resolution sets the rate for solid waste for single-family residences at \$284.04, noting that the rate included the cost of cart cleaning twice per year and an increase in the cost of hauling solid waste and recyclable materials.

Mayor Welch opened the public hearing. There were no questions or comments from the public, and the public hearing was closed.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 4-0 vote.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Transcribed by: Marianne Bowers

Leslie Wallace May, MMC
City Clerk

Date