



CITY OF COCONUT CREEK CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

Government Center
4800 W. Copans Road
Coconut Creek, Florida

Date: September 13, 2017
Time: 7:00 p.m.
First Budget Hearing

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tooley called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

PRESENT UPON ROLL CALL:

Mayor Rebecca A. Tooley
Vice Mayor Joshua Rydell
Commissioner Lou Sarbone
Commissioner Mikkie Belvedere
Commissioner Sandra L. Welch
City Manager Mary C. Blasi
City Attorney Terrill C. Pyburn
City Clerk Leslie Wallace May

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

AGENDA

Finance and Administrative Services

1. **ORD 2017-044** AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY'S OPERATING PROPERTY TAX AT 6.5378 MILLS FOR THE 2018 FISCAL YEAR. (FIRST PUBLIC HEARING)

Mayor Tooley noted that this was the first public hearing on the City's 2017 Ad Valorem Tax Rate and 2018 Fiscal Year Budget, and introduced Assistant City Manager/Finance and Administrative Services Director Karen Brooks.

City Attorney Pyburn read the Ordinance title into the record.

MOTION: Belvedere/Welch – To adopt Ordinance No. 2017-044.

Ms. Brooks gave a brief summary of the Property Tax Rate Ordinance and the 2018 Fiscal Year Budget Ordinance. She noted that the proposed Millage Rate of 6.5378 represented a 16.18% increase over the rollback rate and explained that it was necessary to maintain service levels and to provide for an increased level of service for a City-operated E-911 system. She reviewed the steps undertaken to develop the proposed budget and stated that the 2018 Fiscal Year Budget represented a financial strategy that is responsive to the community's desire for increasing public safety, maintaining service levels, continuing investments in capital projects and infrastructure maintenance, and promoting economic development.

Mayor Tooley opened the public hearing.

Patricia Duaybes, 4106 Oxbow Drive, Coconut Creek, commented on the recent impacts of Hurricane Irma and asked the Commission to consider using funds from the Contingency Fund to help offset the increase in the millage rate.

Ms. Brooks discussed the procedure for adoption of the two Ordinances. There were no further questions or comments from the public, and the public hearing was closed.

The Commission discussed the need for the increased millage rate to provide improved E-911 services and the community's request for increased public safety.

Upon roll call, the Ordinance passed by a 5-0 vote.

2. **ORD 2017-047** AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 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, 2017, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2018. (FIRST PUBLIC HEARING)

City Attorney Pyburn read the Ordinance title into the record.

MOTION: Sarbone/Rydell – To adopt Ordinance No. 2017-047.

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

Vice Mayor Rydell suggested that the Margate City Commission be informed on the City's desire for improved public safety efforts because of the partnership between the cities for fire rescue and emergency medical services. Discussion ensued regarding the public input on the proposed millage rate and budget.

Upon roll call, the Ordinance passed by a 5-0 vote.

3. **RES 2017-255** 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 Tooley read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Rydell/Belvedere – To approve Resolution No. 2017-255.

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

The Commission thanked Margate City Manager Samuel May and Fire Chief Dan Booker for the improved fire rescue services and the municipal partnership for services. City Manager Blasi noted that the fire assessment fee was not proposed to increase next fiscal year.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

4. **RES 2017-256** 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 Tooley read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Welch/Rydell – To approve Resolution No. 2017-256.

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

Assistant City Manager/Finance and Administrative Services Director Karen Brooks presented the item.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

5. **RES 2017-228** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK AND THE CITY OF MARGATE, DATED OCTOBER 1, 2016, FOR DELIVERY OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL AND FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE IN FEES.

Mayor Tooley read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Welch/Rydell – To approve Resolution No. 2017-228.

City Manager Blasi presented the item. Margate Coconut Creek Fire Chief Dan Booker introduced himself and thanked the Commission for their support. He discussed delivery of fire rescue services during Hurricane Irma. Vice Mayor Rydell commended the crew of Fire Station 94 for their community outreach efforts during a recent call to the Country Woods neighborhood. Mayor Tooley agreed with Vice Mayor Rydell and spoke about a similar response by Fire Rescue in the South Creek neighborhood.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Transcribed by: Marianne Bowers

Leslie Wallace May, MMC
City Clerk

Date