



WEST PALM BEACH

**City of West Palm Beach  
Special City Commission**

**PASS/FAIL AGENDA**

**September 10, 2020  
5:01 P.M.**

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA), PERSONS IN NEED OF A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING SHALL, WITHIN THREE DAYS PRIOR TO ANY PROCEEDING, CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, 401 CLEMATIS STREET, WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA 33401, {(561) 822-1210}**

**MAYOR  
KEITH A. JAMES**

**CITY COMMISSION  
PRESIDENT KELLY SHOAF**

**COMMISSIONER CHRISTINA LAMBERT  
COMMISSIONER CHRISTY FOX**

**COMMISSIONER CORY NEERING  
COMMISSIONER JOSEPH A. PEDUZZI**

**ADMINISTRATION  
CITY ADMINISTRATOR, FAYE W. JOHNSON  
CITY ATTORNEY, KIMBERLY ROTHENBURG  
CITY CLERK, HAZELINE CARSON**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**CIVILITY AND DECORUM:** The City of West Palm Beach is committed to civility and decorum by its officials, employees and members of the public who attend this meeting. The City Code, Secs. 2-31(8), 2-31(18) and 2-31(22), provides in pertinent part:

- Officials shall be recognized by the Chair and shall not interrupt a speaker.
- Public comment shall be addressed to the City Commission as a whole and not to any individual on the dais or in the audience.
- Displays of anger, rudeness, ridicule, impatience, lack of respect and personal attacks are strictly prohibited.
- Unauthorized remarks from the audience, stamping of feet, whistles, yells and similar demonstrations shall not be permitted.
- Offenders may be removed from the meeting.

**PUBLIC HEARING (1):**

1. **Public Hearing of Resolution No. 261-20(F) **APPROVED** adopting the tentative FY 2020/21 millage rates for operating and for debt service; and**

**Resolution No 262-20(F) **APPROVED** adopting the tentative FY 2020/21 operating budget at the first public hearing.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 261-20(F): A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA ADOPTING TENTATIVE AD VALOREM MILLAGE RATES OF 8.3465 MILLS FOR GENERAL OPERATING PURPOSES WHICH IS 4.96 PERCENT MORE THAN THE CALCULATED "ROLLED BACK RATE" OF 7.9520 AND .01261 MILLS FOR GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT SERVICE FOR A TOTAL OF 8.4726 MILLS WHICH ARE THE RATES NECESSARY TO FUND A TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE 2020/21 FISCAL YEAR.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 262-20(F): A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA ADOPTING TENTATIVE ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OCTOBER 1, 2020, AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2021, APPROPRIATING THE USE OF FUND SHOWN THEREIN AS MAY BE NEEDED OR DEEMED NECESSARY TO DEFRAY ALL EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY FOR SUCH FISCAL YEAR; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

*Agenda Cover Memorandum No.: 23039*

**Staff Recommended Motion:**

[Resolution No. 261-20(F) setting the tentative millage rate must be considered first. Resolutions must be considered separately.]

Approve Resolution No. 261-20(F) adopting a tentative ad valorem millage rate of 8.3465 mills for general operating purposes which is 4.96 percent more than the calculated rolled-back rate of 7.9520 and a millage rate of 0.1261 mills for general obligation debt service, for a total millage rate of 8.4726 mills.

Approve Resolution No. 261-20(F) adopting a tentative budget for fiscal year 2020/2021.

**Background:**

Section 200.065, Florida Statutes, requires, among other things, that the City Commission of the City of West Palm Beach, Florida adopt tentative millage rates necessary to fund the tentative budget, after notice and public hearing, prior to adopting a final budget of final millage rates.

Resolution No. 261-20(F) adopts the FY 2020/21 tentative ad valorem rates of 8.3465 mills for operating purposes and 0.1261 mills for debt service on voter approved general obligation debt for an aggregate millage of 8.4726. The tentative operating millage rate of 8.3465 mills is 4.96% above the calculated rolled back rate of 7.9520.

Resolution No. 262-20(F) adopts the tentative estimates of revenue and expenditures for FY 2020/21. The total citywide budget for all funds (excluding CRA and ECR) is \$542,040,568. However, the operating millage mentioned previously relates only to the General Fund budget which totals \$193,470,640. The budget is balanced on tentative millage rates discussed above.

Public Hearings: Section 200.065 Florida Statutes requires that a taxing authority hold two Public Hearings to adopt the annual budget.

At this first Public Hearing and during discussion, the City Commission will hear public comment on the proposed millage rates and budget for FY2020/21. After hearing the public comment, the Commission should proceed with its discussion of the FY 2020/21 budget. The Commission will then adopt the tentative millage rates through Resolution No. 261-20(F) and then adopt the tentative budget for FY 2020/21 through Resolution No. 262-20(F).

A second Public Hearing to adopt the final millage rates and final budget for FY 2020/2021 is scheduled for September 24, 2020 at 5:01pm and will be noticed in the newspaper.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**\*Pursuant to Resolution No. 179-95, adopted according to the provisions of Section 286.0115, Florida Statutes, members of the Commission shall disclose on the record: 1) ex-parte communications - verbal or written and written communications shall be placed in the record; and 2) site visits, investigations, etc.**

**NOTICE: IF ANY PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AT THIS MEETING, THAT PERSON WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS AND FOR THAT PURPOSE MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED. THE CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH DOES NOT PREPARE OR PROVIDE SUCH A RECORD.**