

MINUTES GREATER NAPLES FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS TENTATIVE BUDGET HEARING September 13, 2022

I. MEETING OPENED

Chairman Gerrity called to order the Tentative Budget Hearing of the Greater Naples Fire Rescue District's Board of Fire Commissioners at 5:05 p.m., on September 13, 2022 at Administrative Headquarters. Present were Commissioners Duffy (via Zoom), Cottiers, Stedman, Biondo, and Gerrity. Staff in attendance: J. Nolan Sapp, Chris Wolfe, Nicole Chesser, Shawn Hanson, Janice Monteagudo, Kristy Ivanisevic, James West. Public in attendance: Wayne Martin and George Danz. Others attended meeting, but did not sign in.

Meeting was recessed at 5:46 p.m.

Meeting Reconvened at 8:43 p.m. Commissioners present: Gerrity, Biondo, Stedman and Cottiers.

A. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Chairman Gerrity opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation by Commissioner Stedman.

B. Discussion of Rolled Back Rate

Chief of Staff Nicole Chesser stated the proposed millage rate of 1.5 mills is a 13.71% change from the rolled back rate of 1.3180 mills and cited the reasons for the increase in ad valorem revenue. There was discussion regarding repair versus replacement of Boat 90 and the historical collection rate for ad valorem.

C. Discussion of Tentative FY 2022-23 General Fund, Impact Fee, and Hydrant Fund Budgets Finance manager James West presented FY 2022-23 General Fund, Impact Fee and Hydrant Fund Budget as submitted. There was discussion regarding the decision to retain leased apparatus.

D. Approve Tentative Millage Rate by Resolution 2022-04

Commissioner Cottiers moved to adopt Resolution 2022-04 establishing the tentative millage rate for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 to be 1.5 mills which represents a 13.81% increase of the rolled back rate of 1.3180 mills. Commissioner Stedman seconded. Motion passed 4-1 (Biondo).

E. Approve Tentative General Fund Budget by Resolution 2022-05

Commissioner Cottiers moved to adopt Resolution 2022-05 approving the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Tentative General Fund Budget in the amount of \$54,571,464. Commissioner Stedman seconded. Motion failed 2-3 (Gerrity, Biondo, Duffy).

Attorney Donaldson explained to the Board that they will need to approve a tentative general fund budget in order to move forward. She provided clarification of the TRIM requirements. *Commissioner Biondo reconsidered the motion to approve the General Fund budget in the amount of \$54,571,464. Commissioner Gerrity seconded. Motion passed 3-1(Gerrity).* Commissioner Biondo stated that he is doing this for protocol only.

F. Approve Tentative Impact Fee Rates by Resolution 2022-06

Commissioner Cottiers move to adopt Resolution 2022-06 establishing a tentative rate for impact fees of twenty-six cents (.26) per square foot for commercial and twenty-two cents (.22) per



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square foot for residential for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. Commissioner Biondo seconded. Motion Passed unanimously 5-0.

G. Approve Tentative Impact Fee Fund by Resolution 2022-07

Commissioner Cottiers move to adopt Resolution 2022-07 approving the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Tentative Impact Fee Fund Budget in the amount of \$8,158,863. Commissioner Stedman seconded. Motion passes unanimously 5-0.

H. Approve Tentative Hydrant Fund Budget by Resolution 2022-08

Commissioner Cottiers move to adopt Resolution 2022-08 approving the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Tentative Hydrant Fund Budget in the amount of \$584,406. Commissioner Stedman seconded. Motion passes unanimously 5-0.

I. Comments by Commission and Public No Comments

II. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Stedman made a motion to adjourn at 8:51 p.m. Commissioner Cottiers seconded. Motion passed unanimously 4-0, meeting adjourned.

Duly passed with a vote of _____ to ____ and adopted in session on the 11th day October, 2022.

Chairman Kevin Gerrity

Commissioner Al Duffy

Commissioner Charles Cottiers

Commissioner David Stedman

Commissioner Nick Biondo



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