



**MINUTES
CITY OF PANAMA CITY
BUDGET HEARING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2022
5:01 P.M.**

1. Roll Call

City Clerk Jan Smith called the roll with the following members present: Mayor Greg Brudnicki, Commissioners Kenneth E. Brown, Billy Rader, Josh Street and Jenna Haligas. Also present: City Manager Mark McQueen, City Attorney Nevin Zimmerman, Assistant City Managers Jared Jones and Brandy Waldron.

2. The discussion and adoption of the tentative millage rates and tentative budgets for the City of Panama City and the Panama City Downtown Improvement District for the fiscal year 2023. This is to serve as the first public hearing under the TRIM ACT.

Mayor Brudnicki announced the public hearing.

2.a. Consideration of Resolution 20220912.3 setting the Ad Valorem Tax Millage Rate.

Commissioner Brown made a motion for adoption of the tentative millage rates of 4.7999 mills for the City of Panama City and 3,000 mills for the Downtown Improvement Board. On a roll call vote, Commissioners Kenneth E. Brown, Billy Rader, Josh Street, Jenna Haligas and Mayor Greg Brudnicki voted "YEA". "NAYS" - none. The City Clerk certified the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

The Resolution was read by title only as shown below:

RESOLUTION No. 20220912.3

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE FOR THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA AND THE PANAMA CITY DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022, FOR OPERATING PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR THE ALLOWANCE OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION.

2.b. Consideration of Resolution 20220912.4 adopting the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budgets.

Commissioner Brown moved for approval of the tentative budgets for the City of Panama City and Downtown Improvement Board. On a roll call vote, Commissioners Kenneth E. Brown, Billy Rader, Josh Street, Jenna Haligas and Mayor Greg Brudnicki voted "YEA". "NAYS" - none. The City Clerk certified the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

The Resolution was read by title only as shown below:

RESOLUTION 20220912.4

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA, AND THE PANAMA CITY DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2022 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2023.

3. Presentation of Water and Wastewater Technical Rate Study by Raftelis.

Murray Hamilton, Raftelis Financial Consultant, gave a slide presentation on the Water and Wastewater Revenue Sufficiency Study, and answered questions from the Commissioners.

4. Consideration of adoption of Resolution 20220912.5 amending the Water and Wastewater fees.

Walter Henry, 614 Maple Ave., Panama City; Patty Sunday, 1115 Fairland Ave., Panama City; addressed the Commission.

Commissioner Rader made a motion for approval of Scenario 2 as presented in the Technical Rate Study by Raftelis and adoption of Resolution 20220912.5 amending the Water and Wastewater fees. On a roll call vote, Commissioners Kenneth E. Brown, Billy Rader, Josh Street, Jenna Haligas and Mayor Greg Brudnicki voted "YEA". "NAYS" - none. The City Clerk certified the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

The Resolution was read by title only as shown below:

RESOLUTION NO. 20220912.5

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY CONCERNING WATER AND WASTEWATER RATE INCREASES THROUGH AND INCLUDING FISCAL YEAR 2026/2027; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF ANY PART OF THIS RESOLUTION DECLARED INVALID; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

5. Presentation of Solid Waste Technical Rate Study by Raftelis.

Trevor McCarthy, Raftelis Financial Consultant gave a slide presentation on the Solid Waste Revenue Sufficiency Study and answered questions from the Commission.

Walter Henry, 614 Maple Ave., Panama City; addressed the Commission.

6. Consideration of adoption of Resolution 20220912.6 amending the Solid Waste fees.

Commissioner Street made a motion for approval of Scenario 2 as presented in the Technical Rate Study by Raftelis and adoption of Resolution 20220912.6 amending the Solid Waste fees. On a roll call vote, Commissioners Kenneth E. Brown, Billy Rader, Josh Street, Jenna Haligas and Mayor Greg Brudnicki voted "YEA". "NAYS" - none. The City Clerk certified the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

The Resolution was read by title only as shown below:

RESOLUTION NO. 20220912.6

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY CONCERNING SOLID WASTE RATES THROUGH AND INCLUDING FISCAL YEAR 2026/2027; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF ANY PART OF THIS RESOLUTION DECLARED INVALID; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

7. Audience Participation.

Mike Rohan, 239 S. Cove Terrace, Panama City; addressed the Commission.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:39 p.m.