



Fort Myers Beach Town Council

**Diamondhead Beach Resort
2000 Estero Blvd.
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931**

Minutes

Monday, September 11, 2023

5:01 PM

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FINAL

I. CALL TO ORDER

Members present: Mayor Allers, Vice Mayor Atterholt, Council Member King, Council Member Veatch and Council Member Woodson.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS - BUDGET ITEMS

A. Resolution 23-104; FY24 Proposed Ad Valorem Millage Rate

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, ADOPTING THE PROPOSED AD VALOREM MILLAGE RATE FOR THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, FLORIDA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2023 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR THE GENERAL FUND; SETTING THE SECOND AND FINAL PUBLIC HEARING FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023 AT 5:01 P.M. TO ADOPT THE FINAL OPERATING AD VALOREM MILLAGE RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Allers read the title of the resolution.

Council Member Veatch moved to table the item and move to item B.; second by Council Member King.

Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Veatch moved to reopen the tentative resolution; second by Mayor Allers.

Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Veach moved to approve Resolution 23-104 for the ad valorem rate of .99; second by Council Member Woodson.
Motion carried unanimously.

B. Resolution 23-105; FY24 Tentative Budget

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2023 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; SETTING THE SECOND AND FINAL BUDGET ADOPTION PUBLIC HEARING FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2023 AT 5:01 P.M. AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Mayor Allers read the title of the resolution.

Council Member Veach moved to table the item and move to item C.; second by Council Member King.

Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Veach moved to reopen the tentative resolution; second by Council Member King.

Motion carried unanimously.

Town Manager Hyatt described potential revenue sources available to the town and maximizing resources.

Public Works Director Jason Freeman will get an update from the FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation) regarding funds for the pavers in Times Square.

Director Onzick continued his presentation with an Overview; Budget Challenges; Major Revenue Losses; Uncertainty of Funding to Support Disaster Recovery; Attracting and Retaining Personnel; Additional Personnel to Support Recovery; Resulting Total Budget; Maintaining Millage Rate; Roll Back Rate; Proposed Millage Rate Compared to the Roll Back Rate; Revenue Generated by Proposed Millage Rate; Average Taxable Assessed Value - 5 Year Graph; Taxes on Average Taxable Assessed Value - 5 Year Graph; Tax Percentage of Taxing Authority; Net Change Between FY24 Tentative Budget and FY23 Adopted Budget; General Fund Expenses by Department; Where the General Fund Money Goes; Funding Strategy for General Fund; Where the General Fund Money Comes From; Expense Budgets of All Funds; Where the Money Goes - All Funds and Where the Money Comes From - All Funds.

The presentation continued with Debt Service; \$10 MM Capital Improvement Note; DEO Bridge Loan; Florida State Revolving Fund; Exhibit B: Proposed Corrections to Tentative Budget and Consider Amending Resolution to Incorporate Proposed Corrections.

Vice Mayor Atterholt moved to amend Resolution #23-105 FY24, 2: The Town Council does hereby adopt the tentative annual budget for fiscal year 2023-2024, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A and as amended by Exhibit B; second by Council Member Veach.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Resolution 23-103; FY23-24 Tentative Fee Schedule

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE FEE SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2023 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Mayor Allers read the title of the resolution. Finance Director Joe Onzick utilized PowerPoint for his presentation. Slides included Community Development; Financial Impact of Fee Changes Proposed by Town Council at the April 17, 2023 Meeting; Proposed Fee Changes That Have No Financial Impact and Comparison of Short-Term Rental Fee Income to Expenses Including Financial Impact of Enforcement (2 slides).

Council Member Woodson moved to move the resolution to a second hearing on September 25, 2023, at 5:01 p.m.; second by Mayor Allers.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. FINAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No comment.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member King moved to adjourn; second by Council Member Veach. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Minutes adopted, September 25, 2023; Motion by Council Member Veach and seconded by Council Member King. Passed 5-0.



Amy Baker, Town Clerk