



City of Palm Coast

Agenda

Budget Hearing

City Hall
160 Lake Avenue
Palm Coast, FL 32164
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Mayor Michael Norris
Vice Mayor Theresa Pontieri
Council Member Charles Gambaro
Council Member Ty Miller
Council Member David Sullivan

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

5:15 PM

City Hall - Jon Netts Community Wing

City Staff

Lauren Johnston, Acting City Manager

Marcus Duffy, City Attorney

Kaley Cook, City Clerk

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A. CALL TO ORDER

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

C. ROLL CALL

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public Participation shall be held in accordance with Section 286.0114 Florida Statutes. And pursuant to the City Council's Meeting Policies and Procedures:

(1) This agenda item has a thirty (30) minute limit.

- (2) Each speaker shall at the podium, provide their name and may speak for up to 3 minutes.
- (3) The Public may provide comments to the City Council relative to matters not on the agenda at the times indicated in this Agenda. Following any comments from the public, there may be discussion by the City Council.
- (4) Public speakers may address their comments to the Council as a whole, the Mayor, or to an individual Council Member
- (5) When addressing the City Council on specific, enumerated Agenda items, speakers shall:
 - (a) make their comments concise and to the point;
 - (b) not speak more than once on the same subject;
 - (c) not, by speech or otherwise, delay or interrupt the proceedings or the peace of the City Council;
 - (d) obey the orders of the Mayor or the City Council; and
 - (e) not make any irrelevant, impertinent or slanderous comments while addressing the City Council; which pursuant to Council rules, shall be considered disorderly.
- (6) Any person who becomes disorderly or who fails to confine his or her comments to the identified subject or business, shall be cautioned by the Mayor and thereafter must conclude his or her remarks on the subject within the remaining designated time limit.

Any speaker failing to comply, as cautioned, shall be barred from making any additional comments during the meeting and may be removed, as necessary, for the remainder of the meeting.

Members of the public may make comments during the public comment portion of the meeting. Please be advised that public comment will only be permitted during the public comment portions of the agenda at the times indicated by the Chair during the meeting.

E. PRESENTATION

- 1. PRESENTATION - FINAL PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BUDGET AND REVISED FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET**

RECESS CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE THE SR 100 CORRIDOR CRA BOARD

F. SR 100 CORRIDOR CRA RESOLUTIONS

- 2. STATE ROAD 100 CORRIDOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (SR100 CRA) RESOLUTION 2025-XX ADOPTING THE SR 100 CORRIDOR CRA TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 AND AMENDING THE STATE ROAD 100 CORRIDOR CRA BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025**

ADJOURN THE SR 100 CORRIDOR CRA BOARD AND RECONVENE CITY COUNCIL

G. CITY RESOLUTIONS

- 3. RESOLUTION 2025-XX SETTING THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE (TRIM) FOR**

THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

**4. RESOLUTION 2025-XX ESTABLISHES THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 AND AMENDS THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET**

H. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Remainder of Public Comments is limited to three (3) minutes each.

I. DISCUSSION BY CITY COUNCIL OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

J. DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

K. DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

L. ADJOURNMENT

City of Palm Coast, Florida

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Agenda Date: September 10, 2025

Department	FINANCIAL SERVICES	Amount
Division		Account #
Subject: PRESENTATION - FINAL PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BUDGET AND REVISED FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET		
Presenter: Helena Alves, Director of Financial Services		
Attachments: 1. Presentation - Proposed FY26 Budget & Revised FY25 Budget - First Public Hearing		
Background: City Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget on the 25 th day of September 2024, in the amount of \$421,551,721 – Resolution 2024-151. At the April 22, 2025, Special Budget Workshop, City Council was presented with the Year-to-Date Budget results for operating department budgets, for Fiscal Year 2025 October through March. On June 3, 2025, City Council also approved and adopted the Strategic Action Plan (SAP) for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. On June 24, 2025, City Council was presented with an overview of the process for adopting the Property Tax (TRIM) rate in preparation to adopt the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. On July 8, 2025, City Council was presented the Fiscal Year 2026 General Fund, IT Operations, and Facilities Budget, and an overview of the TRIM rate options. As discussed, staff is proposing a maximum millage rate of 4.1893 mills, which is a 4.64% increase from the rolled-back rate of 4.0035 mills, and the first budget hearing to be held at 5:15 p.m. on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at the Palm Coast City Hall - Jon Netts Community Wing, located at 160 Lake Ave, Palm Coast. Local governments must conform to the maximum millage limitation requirements as outlined in Section 200.065(5), F.S. within 35 days of the certification of value, the City of Palm Coast must inform the property appraiser of the current year's proposed millage rate and the first budget hearing date and location which will be advertised on the Notice of Proposed Property Taxes (TRIM notice) that the property appraiser mails. On July 15, 2025, Council adopted Resolution 2025-100 setting the Proposed Maximum Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2026 at 4.1893 and setting the date, time, and location for the Tentative Budget Hearing for September 10, 2025, at 5:15 p.m. at the Palm Coast City Hall - Jon Netts Community Wing, 160 Lake Ave, Palm Coast, Florida.		

On July 22, 2025, City Council was presented the Proprietary Funds Budget for Fiscal Year 2026.

On August 12, 2025, staff presented to City Council the Capital and Fleet Internal Service Fund for Fiscal Year 2026.

On August 26, 2025, the Final Proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Budget for all appropriated funds was presented to City Council by staff.

City Council will now be presented with the final proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget for all appropriated funds and the revised Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget for all appropriated funds.

**Recommended Action:
FOR PRESENTATION**

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Subject: STATE ROAD 100 CORRIDOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (SR100 CRA) RESOLUTION 2025-XX ADOPTING THE SR 100 CORRIDOR CRA TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 AND AMENDING THE STATE ROAD 100 CORRIDOR CRA BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025		
Presenter: The Financial Services Department		
Attachments: 1. Resolution 2. Exhibit A - SR 100 CRA		
Background: The attached Resolution proposes the adoption of the tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 for the SR 100 Corridor Community Redevelopment Agency (SR 100 Corridor CRA) at a total amount of \$3,336,344. The Resolution also amends the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget as discussed during a series of budget workshops which included the SR 100 Corridor CRA. The total revised SR 100 Corridor CRA budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 will be \$3,567,315 compared to the approved budget of \$3,581,603. The effect of this current amendment will result in a total decrease of \$14,288 from the budget adopted for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.		
Recommended Action: ADOPT STATE ROAD 100 CORRIDOR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY RESOLUTION 2025-XX ADOPTING THE SR 100 CORRIDOR CRA TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 AND AMENDING THE STATE ROAD 100 CORRIDOR CRA BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025		

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Department	FINANCIAL SERVICES	Amount
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Subject: RESOLUTION 2025-XX SETTING THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE (TRIM) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026		
Presenter: The Financial Services Department		
Attachments: 1. Resolution		
Background: Within 80 days of certification of value, but not earlier than 65 days after certification, State law requires local government taxing authorities to hold a public hearing on the tentative millage rate and budget. This hearing was publicized via the TRIM Notice mailed out by the Property Appraiser. At this hearing, the taxing authority will: 1. Discuss the percentage increase in millage over the rolled-back rate, if any, and the specific purposes for which the ad valorem tax revenues are being increased. 2. Allow the general public to speak and ask questions. 3. Adopt a tentative millage and budget. 4. Within 15 days following the tentative budget hearing, the taxing authority shall advertise its intent to adopt a final millage and budget. The following outlines the required format and exact wording, according to Section 200.065(2)(e)1., Florida Statutes, for the adoption of the tentative millage rate and the tentative budget for the City: Adopt Proposed Tentative Millage Rate: STEP ONE: <u>ACTION: INTRODUCE THE TAX ISSUE:</u> <u>MAYOR ANNOUNCES:</u> "The City of Palm Coast proposes to levy a tentative millage rate of 4.0893 mills. This is an increase of 2.14% from the rolled-back rate of 4.0035 mills." STEP TWO: <u>ACTION: HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE:</u> Hear public comments regarding the proposed tentative millage rate. The general public must be allowed to speak and ask questions prior to the adoption of any measure by the governing body.		

STEP THREE: ACTION: ADOPT THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE RESOLUTION:

MAYOR ANNOUNCES:

"The City of Palm Coast proposes to adopt a tentative millage rate of 4.0893 mills."

Recommended Action:

ADOPT RESOLUTION 2025-XX SETTING THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE (TRIM) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

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Department FINANCIAL SERVICES Division	Amount Account #
Subject: RESOLUTION 2025-XX ESTABLISHES THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 AND AMENDS THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET	
Presenter: The Financial Services Department	
Attachments: 1. Resolution 2. Exhibit A – Budget Summary	
Background: The attached resolution proposes the adoption of the tentative budget at a total amount of \$696,444,327. The attached exhibits provide the breakdown by fund in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 column. This resolution also amends the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget as discussed during the budget workshops. The total revised budget for Fiscal year 2024-2025 will be \$348,618,723 compared to the original budget of \$421,551,721. The effect on the 2024-2025 budget is a decrease of \$72,932,998 for the fiscal year. The breakdown by fund is shown in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Revised Budget column of the attached exhibits. Within 80 days of certification of value, but not earlier than 65 days after certification, State law requires local government taxing authorities to hold a public hearing on the tentative millage rate and budget. This hearing was publicized via the TRIM Notice mailed out by the Property Appraiser. At this hearing, the taxing authority will: 1. Discuss the percentage increase in millage from the rolled-back rate, if any, and the specific purposes for which the ad valorem tax revenues are being increased. 2. Allow the general public to speak and ask questions. 3. Adopt a tentative millage and budget. 4. Within 15 days following the tentative budget hearing, the taxing authority shall advertise its intent to adopt a final millage and budget. The following outlines the required format and exact wording, according to Section 200.065(2)(e)1., Florida Statutes, for the adoption of the tentative millage rate and the tentative budget for the City: THE FOLLOWING STEPS MUST BE COMPLETED ONLY AFTER ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE:	

Adoption of the Tentative Budget:

STEP ONE:

ACTION: INTRODUCE THE TENTATIVE BUDGET:

MAYOR ANNOUNCES:

"The City of Palm Coast proposes to adopt a tentative budget with total appropriated expenditures and reserves of \$696,444,327."

STEP TWO:

ACTION: HEAR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE TENTATIVE BUDGET:

Hear public comments regarding the tentative budget. The general public must be allowed to speak and to ask questions prior to the adoption of any measure by the governing body.

STEP THREE:

ACTION: ADOPT THE TENTATIVE BUDGET RESOLUTION:

MAYOR ANNOUNCES:

"The City of Palm Coast proposes to adopt a tentative budget of \$696,444,327."

STEP FOUR:

ACTION: (After Resolution if Adopted) ANNOUNCE PUBLIC HEARING:

MAYOR ANNOUNCES:

"The Public Hearing to adopt the final millage rate and budget is scheduled for September 24, 2025, at 5:15 p.m., at the Palm Coast City Hall, Community Wing."

Recommended Action:

ADOPT RESOLUTION 2025-XX APPROVING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026, AND AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET