

1. Requested Motion:

Meeting Date: Sep. 4, 2014

Approve Resolution 14-17 adopting and levying ad valorem taxes within the Town of Fort Myers Beach for the tax year 2015, in the tentative amount of .7530 mills (\$0.7530 per \$1,000) and taking other action as authorized in such resolution.

Why the action is necessary:

Florida Statute requires the Town to have two hearings to adopt an operating ad valorem millage rate as part of the annual budget process. This is the first of the two hearings, and Council action must be manifested through passage of a Resolution. This millage rate is greater than the rolled-back rate and results in a tax increase of 6.04%

What the action accomplishes:

This complies with state law and provides a basis for adoption of a tentative millage rate by the Town Council.

2. Agenda:

- Consent
- Administrative
- Public Hearing

3. Requirement/Purpose:

- Resolution
- Ordinance
- Other

4. Submitter of Information:

- Council
- Town Staff
- Town Attorney

5. Background:

At the meeting of the Town Council on June 16, 2014 the Council adopted Resolution 14-15 which set the tentative operating ad valorem millage rate at .7530 mills for Tax Year FY 2014-15 for the Town of Fort Myers Beach, in compliance with the State of Florida TRIM requirements. At that time, the Council set the first hearing to consider final millage rate for September 2, 2014. The meeting was later rescheduled to Thursday, September 4th to be in compliance with TRIM. This is the first of two hearings to consider the final millage rate. The second hearing is scheduled for September 15, 2014 at 6:30 pm.

Attachments: Resolution # 14-17

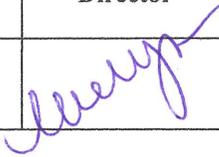
6. Alternative Action:

None

7. Management Recommendations:

Adopt the resolution establishing the tentative millage rate and final hearing date.

8. Recommended Approval:

Town Manager	Town Attorney	Finance Director	Public Works Director	Community Development Director	Parks & Recreation Director	Town Clerk
						

9. Council Action:

- Approved
- Denied
- Deferred
- Other

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF
THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, FLORIDA
RESOLUTION NUMBER 14-17

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE OPERATING AD VALOREM MILLAGE RATE FOR THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014; DETERMINING THAT THE PROPOSED OPERATING MILLAGE RATE IS GREATER THAN THE ROLLED-BACK RATE; ESTABLISHING THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE FOR A FINAL HEARING TO ADOPT THE FINAL OPERATING AD VALOREM MILLAGE RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 200.065, Florida Statutes establishes the method of determining and levying an ad valorem millage rate and adopting a budget for all taxing authorities in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, following due notice, on September 4, 2014, the Town Council held the required public hearing and, following public input, adopted a tentative Town operating ad valorem millage rate for fiscal year 2015.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Adoption of Tentative Operating Ad Valorem Millage Rate.

The Town Council does hereby adopt the tentative operating ad valorem millage rate for fiscal year 2014 at .7530 mills, which is .7530 for each \$1,000 of assessed valuation, less exemptions. This tentative operating millage rate is GREATER THAN the rolled-back rate, computed pursuant to Florida law and amounts to a 6.04% increase in property taxes.

Section 2. Meeting to Adopt Final Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2015

A public meeting and hearing will be held on September 15, 2014 at 6:30 PM at the Town Hall of the Town of Fort Myers Beach, Florida located at 2523 Estero Boulevard, Fort Myers Beach, Florida to consider and adopt the final millage rate for fiscal year 2015.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Town Council upon a motion by _____ and seconded by _____ and upon being put to a vote, the result was as follows:

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 4TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2014.

Anita Cereceda, Mayor
Alan Mandel, Councilmember
Summer Stockton, Councilmember

Dan Andre, Vice Mayor
Rexann Hosafros, Councilmember

ATTEST:

TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH

By: _____
Michelle Mayher, Town Clerk

By: _____

Approved as to legal sufficiency by:

By: _____
Fowler White Boggs, Town Attorney