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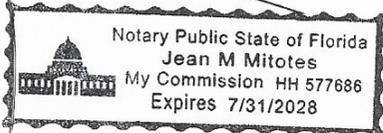
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BUDGET SUMMARY

HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA - FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 (FY26)

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Ad Valorem Taxes-Transportation Trust	0.8091	-	14,049,214	-	-	-	14,049,214
Ad Valorem Taxes-County Health	0.1054	-	1,830,165	-	-	-	1,830,165
Ad Valorem Taxes-Stormwater MSTU	0.1139	-	1,977,759	-	-	-	1,977,759
Ad Valorem Taxes-EMS MSTU	0.9100	-	15,801,242	-	-	-	15,801,242
Other Taxes	2,598,075	11,891,980	-	-	-	-	14,490,055
Charges for Services	14,344,808	20,195,510	-	-	61,675,934	45,996,786	142,213,038
Intergovernmental Revenue	33,228,554	12,583,224	-	3,102,598	1,942,564	-	50,856,940
Fines and Forfeitures	331,045	285,324	-	-	3,500	-	619,869
Miscellaneous Revenue	6,817,652	1,610,810	-	100,000	4,278,296	170,000	12,976,758
Permits/Fees/Special Assessments	1,115,169	51,442,472	-	3,754,370	14,465,805	-	70,777,816
Other Sources	76,008,847	135,216,798	53,702	24,532,713	267,969,429	27,531,543	531,313,032
TOTAL SOURCES	236,701,910	266,884,498	53,702	31,489,681	350,335,528	73,698,329	959,163,648
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EXPENDITURES							
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Public Safety	102,186,409	134,502,456	-	2,869,145	-	-	239,558,010
Physical Environment	-	21,924,418	-	2,996,345	323,060,681	-	347,981,444
Transportation	5,872,703	74,587,024	-	19,057,999	-	-	99,517,726
Economic Environment	3,111,433	7,704,114	-	-	15,258,005	-	26,073,552
Human Services	8,639,329	14,710,558	-	-	-	-	23,349,887
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Local & State

Florida-bound Disney Destiny cruise ship leaves shipyard

BY RICHARD TRIBOU
Orlando Sentinel

The latest vessel in Disney Cruise Line's growing fleet left its shipyard home Friday making the slow 20-mile river trip so it can complete sea trials ahead of a debut from Port Everglades later this year.

The Disney Destiny, a sister ship to Port Canaveral ships Disney Wish and Disney Treasure, left the Meyer Werft shipyard in Papenburg, Germany making its way on the Ems River toward the North Sea.

The inland shipyard requires a tugboat-assisted conveyance of the 1,119-foot-long, 128-foot-wide ship traveling on the river facing in reverse.

A live stream of the conveyance was broadcast by YouTube channel Hamburg Port Live.

The vessel is first headed to Eemshaven, Netherlands, before it heads out for sea trials in the North Sea. The shipyard has a lot of practice getting vessels up the river, traveling at only 3-5 mph over several hours.

In the past, parts of bridges had to be disassembled to allow for a ship's passing, although Disney Destiny, while the largest in Disney's fleet along with Treasure and Wish to date, isn't the biggest transported from Meyer Werft.

It comes in at 144,000 gross tons with 1,246 staterooms, compared to the 130,000 gross tons of Disney Dream and Fantasy and the 84,000 gross tons of the line's two original ships Disney Magic and Wonder.

Destiny is the third of five Wish-class vessels con-



The Disney Destiny cruise ship leaves Meyer Werft shipyard toward Eemshaven, Netherlands, with a fireworks display from Papenburg, Germany, on Friday. The ship will debut from Port Everglades later this year. (LARS PENNING | dpa via Associated Press)

structed at Meyer Werft. The fourth, ordered by the Oriental Land Co. in partnership with DCL, will sail out of Japan in 2029, while the fifth was part of an announcement that DCL would expand to 13 total vessels by 2031 including three new ships in a new class.

Disney Destiny had its first steel cut in November 2023 and keel laid in March 2024, so its trip out to sea trials comes at around 20 months since the beginning of construction.

The ship won't be handed over to Disney Cruise Line until after it has completed a series of sea trials to prove its seaworthiness, and won't make the transatlantic sail-

ing to Florida until late October or early November. Once in Florida it has a few weeks before its maiden voyage Nov. 20 from DCL's new second Florida home in Fort Lauderdale, where it will begin four- and five-night voyages to the Bahamas and western Caribbean.

It marks the first time Disney will have debuted one of its ships somewhere other than Port Canaveral. DCL took over Port Everglades' Terminal 4 as its permanent, year-round second Florida home in 2023.

Its arrival will grow the DCL fleet to seven ships, with the Asia-bound Disney Adventure also under construction coming in

spring 2026.

Disney's first two ships, Disney Magic and Wonder, debuted in 1998 and 1999 followed by sister ships Disney Dream and Fantasy in 2011 and 2012, then Wish at Treasure in 2022 and 2024.

The ship features multiple Marvel-inspired spaces, including a statue of Black Panther's T'Challa, king of Wakanda, in the Grand Hall; an entertainment parlor themed to "Doctor Strange"; and the latest iteration of the World of Marvel restaurant.

The ship will also have a new venue themed to Cruella de Vil from "101 Dalmatians" and a new stage show based on "Hercules."

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