

HERNANDO COUNTY FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES
15470 FLIGHT PATH DRIVE
BROOKSVILLE, FL 34604

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO MODIFY THE
HERNANDO COUNTY FIRE
MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT UNIT

NOTICE DATE: MAY 16, 2025
PUBLIC HEARING DATE: JUNE 10, 2025

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County has scheduled a public hearing to modify the Hernando County Fire Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU) non-ad valorem budget and assessment rate.

A public hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the Hernando County Government Center, 20 N. Main Street, Room 160, Brooksville, Florida, for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed assessment.

The proposed Fiscal Year 2026 assessments, are set forth on the table. Rates have been reallocated based on the last three years of calls for service. The estimated revenue to be collected is \$39,847,404.86 based on 95% collection of the total and is the funding source to provide fire services to Hernando County.

PROPOSED FY 2026 FIRE MSBU RATES					
Category	Units	Current Rate	FY 2026 Proposed Rate	Unit of Measure	Revenue
Unimproved	21,740.00	19.357	86.905	per Parcel	\$1,889,314.70
Residence	90,566.00	345.260	341.345	per Parcel	\$30,914,251.27
Commercial	14,976,104.00	0.182	0.204	Per Sq. Ft.	\$3,055,125.22
Camp-A-Wyle	211.00	12.140	16.280	per Parcel	\$3,435.08
Hospitals/Nursing	783,608.00	1.180	1.748	Per Sq. Ft.	\$1,369,746.78
Church	1,536,112.00	0.072	0.156	Per Sq. Ft.	\$239,633.47
Industrial/Warehouse	3,085,685.00	0.198	0.081	Per Sq. Ft.	\$249,940.49
Government	4,261,846.00	0.198	0.220	Per Sq. Ft.	\$937,606.12
River Run Club House	119.00	9.700	10.590	per Parcel	\$1,260.21
Base Fee	108,038.00	20.360	25.537	per Parcel	\$2,758,966.41
Commercial Inspection	3,181.00	160.740	165.034	Per 10,000 Sq. Ft.	\$524,973.15
Greenbrier	100.00	3.569	3.838	per Parcel	\$383.80
					\$41,944,636.70
Note: Every parcel is charged a base fee					
in accordance with Florida Statute 125.01(1)(r).			@ 95% Revenue		\$39,847,404.86

By law, the Board of County Commissioners can use this notice to inform of maximum rates used for this non-ad valorem assessment. The maximum rates inform of the base for annual increases to account for growth, inflation, the change in purchasing value of money, or similar purchasing or cost increase variables, and may only be increased from year to year in an amount not to exceed 7% in Fiscal Year 2027 and each year thereafter. Annual fire assessment rate increases within these parameters will be deemed to be within the maximum rate authorized by law at the time of initial imposition of this non-ad valorem assessment. Any increases in rates beyond such authorization will require additional individual mailed notice to all affected property owners.

All affected property owners have a right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections with the Board of County Commissioners within 20 days. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participant in this proceeding should contact the County Administrator's Office at 352-754-4002, at least three days prior to the date of the hearing.

The assessment will be collected on the ad-valorem tax bill to be mailed in November 2025, as well as collected on subsequent years' bills upon Board certification, as authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes. Failure to pay the assessments will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property, which may result in a loss of title.

Questions regarding this notice should contact Hernando County Fire and Emergency Services at 352-540-4353 or visit our website at www.hernandocounty.us/firerescue. Only one notice will be sent to a property owner owning multiple properties within Hernando County.