

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: JUNE 20, 2023

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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, July 11, 2023 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.

FY 2024 PROPOSED MSBU RATES					
Category	Units	Current MSBU Rate	Proposed MSBU Rate	Unit of Measure	Proposed Revenue
Unimproved	22,448.00	\$74.420	\$16.980	per Parcel	\$381,167.04
Acresage	992.00	\$74.420	\$16.980	per Parcel	\$16,844.16
Residence	86,640.00	\$224.240	\$302.860	per Parcel	\$26,239,790.40
Commercial	14,666,025.00	\$0.238	\$0.160	Per Sq. Ft.	\$2,346,564.00
Camp-A-Wyle	211.00	\$21.895	\$10.750	per Parcel	\$2,268.25
Hospitals/Nursing	785,985.00	\$0.595	\$1.035	Per Sq. Ft.	\$813,494.48
Church	1,526,867.00	\$0.239	\$0.063	Per Sq. Ft.	\$96,192.62
Industrial/Warehouse/Govt	7,014,114.00	\$0.079	\$0.174	Per Sq. Ft.	\$1,220,455.84
Agriculture	19,815.00	\$0.011	\$0.000	Per Sq. Ft.	\$0.00
River Run Club House	119.00	\$12.094	\$8.526	per Parcel	\$1,014.59
Base Fee	106,730.00	\$28.870	\$17.860	per Parcel	\$1,906,197.80
Commercial Inspection	3,113.00	\$137.933	\$141.000	Per 10,000 Sq. Ft.	\$438,933.00
Greenbrier	100.00	\$3.972	\$3.130	per Parcel	\$313.00
					\$33,463,235.18
Note: Every parcel is charged a base fee in accordance with Florida Statute 125.01(1)(r).					
				@ 95% Revenue	\$31,790,073.42

The proposed Fiscal Year 2024 assessments, as 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 \$31,790,073 based on 95% collection of the total below and is the funding source to provide fire services to Hernando County

By law, the Board of County Commissioners can use this notice to inform of maximum rates used for this non-ad valorem assessment. At the time of initial imposition of the fire assessment, the maximum rates will be those shown in the table above. 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 14% in Fiscal Year 2025, and 3.5% 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 2023, 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.