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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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RE: NOTICE OF HEARING TO IMPOSE AND PROVIDE FOR COLLECTION OF ORCHARD PARK III MULTIPURPOSE NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT

Dear Property Owner:

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County has scheduled a public hearing to consider increasing the <u>Orchard Park III Multipurpose Municipal Service Benefit Unit</u> non-ad valorem assessment due to operational cost increases and depletion of reserve funds.

A public hearing has been scheduled for <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>May 23</u>, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the <u>Hernando County Government Center</u>, 20 N. <u>Main Street</u>, <u>Room 160</u>, <u>Brooksville</u>, <u>Florida</u>, for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed assessment. 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 proposed Fiscal Year 2024 assessment is \$\frac{\$216.00}{2023}\$, to provide for the maintenance and operation of 19 streetlights and for maintenance and improvements of grounds within the County right-of-way located at the front entrance. A maximum assessment is proposed at \$255.00 per unit. The MSBU contains 55 units and the estimated annual assessment revenue to be collected is \$11,286.00 based on 95% collection if the assessment is raised to the amount set forth above.

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 Department of Public Works at 352-754-4060.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA