

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 19, 2026
PUBLIC HEARING DATE: JUNE 9, 2026

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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 9, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in the Hernando County Government Center, County Commission Chambers, 20 N. Main Street, Room 160, Brooksville, Florida, for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed assessment.

The proposed Fiscal Year 2027 assessments are set forth on the table. Rates have been reallocated based on the last three years of calls for service and the consolidation of fire departments. The estimated revenue to be collected is \$44,342,495.04 based on 95% collection of the total and is the funding source to provide fire services to Hernando County.

PROPOSED FY 2027 FIRE MSBU RATES							
Category	Units	FY 2026 City of Brooksville MSBU RATE	County FY 2026 MSBU Rate	FY 2027 Proposed MSBU Rate	Unit of Measure	Revenue	
Unimproved	22,612.00	73.000	85.805	111.954	per Parcel	\$2,531,503.85	
Residence	97,244.00	356.000	337.024	344.384	per Parcel	\$33,489,277.70	
Commercial	17,225,806.00	0.126	0.202	0.244	Per Sq. Ft.	\$4,203,096.66	
Camp-A-Wyle	211.00	0.000	16.120	19.650	per Parcel	\$4,146.15	
Hospitals/Nursing	802,063.00	0.258	1.726	1.580	Per Sq. Ft.	\$1,267,259.54	
Church	1,831,924.00	0.258	0.154	0.152	Per Sq. Ft.	\$278,452.45	
Industrial/Warehouse	8,489,906.00	0.099	0.080	0.093	Per Sq. Ft.	\$789,561.26	
Government	111,191.00	0.258	0.217	0.188	Per Sq. Ft.	\$20,903.91	
River Run Club House	119.00	0.000	10.678	12.686	per Parcel	\$1,509.63	
Base Fee	113,084.00	0.000	25.360	30.260	per Parcel	\$3,421,921.84	
Commercial Inspection	3,829.00	Billed Separately	165.030	174.520	Per 10,000 Sq. Ft.	\$668,237.08	
Greenbrier	100.00	0.000	3.849	4.405	per Parcel	\$440.50	
						\$46,676,310.57	
Note: Every parcel is charged a base fee in accordance with Florida Statute 125.01(1)(r).						@ 95% Revenue	\$44,342,495.04

By law, the Board of County Commissioners can use this notice to inform you 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 5.75% in Fiscal Year 2028 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 increase in rates beyond such authorization will require additional individually 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 participate in this proceeding should contact Maryellen Waite, Risk Management at (352) 540-6289, 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 2026, 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.