

MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
September 20, 2017
6:00 p.m.
Government Center
6601 Main Street
Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Manny Cid called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

The Town Clerk, Gina Inguanzo, called the roll with the following Councilmembers present: Luis Collazo, Tim Daubert, Cesar Mestre, Frank Mingo, and Marilyn Ruano. Vice Mayor Nelson Rodriguez and Mayor Manny Cid were also present.

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE:

Invocation was led by Mayor Manny Cid.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Manny Cid led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mirtha Mendez came before the Town Council to thank the Town Staff, for an excellent job done during the aftermath of Hurricane Irma and for showing up to work in a diligent manner on the day after the Hurricane; she thanked the Town Council for being more than elected officials, for being brothers and sisters and keeping in touch with the residents and helping out the community at all times. Ms. Mendez expressed her gratitude for a job well done.

Lynn Matos came before the Town Council to express her gratitude to the Town Staff and Town Council for a phenomenal job done during the aftermath of Hurricane Irma. Ms. Matos also acknowledge and thanked the Police & Fire Department for an outstanding job done.

Neil Robinson came before the Town Council to thank the Town Manager, Town Council and Town Staff for an exceptional job done during the aftermath of Hurricane Irma and he commended the Town of Miami Lakes Staff for showing up to work on the day after the Hurricane, for clearing many of the roads by Monday afternoon and for a magnificent job done during a time of difficulty.

Gina Inguanzo, Town Clerk, stated on record that a written public comment from Hope Reynolds was received by her office and that it was distributed to all the elected officials, accordingly.

6. ORDINANCES- SECOND READING (PUBLIC HEARING):

A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE MILLAGE RATE OF THE TOWN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2018, PURSUANT TO SECTION 200.065, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO TAX COLLECTOR; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Rey)

The Town Attorney, Raul Gastesi, first read the title of the Millage Ordinance and then proceeded to read the Budget Ordinance into the record.

The Town Manager, Alex Rey, read the following statement pursuant to state law: The proposed Millage Rate for fiscal year 2017-2018 is 2.3353. This rate is the same rate as the current year. The gross taxable value for operating purposes is three billion, seventeen million, three hundred and thirty-two thousand three hundred and fifty-four dollars (\$3,017, 332,354). The proposed millage rate will generate \$6,694,100 in ad valorem revenue budgeted at the 95% collection rate. The proposed millage rate of 2.3353 is 8.07% above the roll-back rate of 2.1610. the difference between the proposed millage rate and the roll-back rate is primarily due to the increases in police contract, expenses and increase in the level of service for tree trimming.

Mayor Cid opened the Public Hearing for both Ordinances. There being no wishing to speak, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Daubert made a motion to adopt the Millage Rate Ordinance on second reading. The motion received a second from Vice Mayor Rodriguez. The Town Clerk called the roll and the Ordinance on second reading passed unanimously.

B. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-18; PROVIDING FOR EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER OF FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF THE ADOPTED CAPITAL BUDGET AS THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ELEMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Rey)

Councilmember Daubert made a motion to adopt the Budget Ordinance on Second Reading. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Rodriguez. The Town Manager, Alex Rey, explained that the Budget has two modifications from the Budget that was adopted in First Reading. The first modification was that \$1,000 was added to travel and the money was taken from the Educational & Training Line Item, as per requested by the Town Council and the second modification was to put a reserved of \$200,000 in the Police Impact Fee account to be used for license plate recognition system. After some discussion, The Town Clerk called the roll and the Ordinance on second reading passed unanimously.

A. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Approved on this 3rd day of October, 2017.

Attest:

Manny Cid, Mayor

Gina M. Inguanzo, Town Clerk