

RESOLUTION NO. 76-2019

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF THE UNDERGROUND UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE TOWNWIDE UNDERGROUND UTILITY ASSESSMENT AREA; APPROVING THE UPDATED ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR THE CONTINUED IMPOSITION OF THE ASSESSMENTS TO FUND THE UNDERGROUND UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE TOWNWIDE UNDERGROUND UTILITY ASSESSMENT AREA; PROVIDING FOR COLLECTION OF THE ASSESSMENTS PURSUANT TO THE UNIFORM ASSESSMENT COLLECTION ACT; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town Council adopted Chapter 90, Article II, of the Town of Palm Beach Code of Ordinances (the "Code") to provide for the imposition of special assessments to fund the construction of Capital Projects and the provision of Related Services to benefit property within Assessment Areas; and

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2017, the Town Council adopted Resolution No. 090-2017, the Initial Assessment Resolution for Assessments in the Townwide Underground Utility Assessment Area (the "Initial Assessment Resolution"), describing the method of assessing the cost of the Underground Utility Improvements against the real property that will be specially benefited thereby, and directing the preparation of the preliminary Improvement Assessment Roll and provision of the notices required by the Code; and

WHEREAS, on July 12, 2017, the Town Council also adopted Resolution No. 100-2017, the Final Assessment Resolution for Assessments in the Townwide

Underground Utility Assessment Area (the "Final Assessment Resolution"), confirming the Initial Assessment Resolution with such amendments deemed necessary by the Town Council, imposing the Improvement Assessments, providing for collection of the Improvement Assessments in thirty (30) annual installments, and approving the Improvement Assessment Roll; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the Code, the Town Council is required to adopt an Annual Rate Resolution for each Fiscal Year to approve the assessment roll for such Fiscal Year; and

WHEREAS, as required by the Code, notice of a public hearing has been published and mailed, if required, to each property owner proposed to be assessed notifying such property owner of the opportunity to be heard concerning the assessments; the proof of publication and an affidavit of mailing are attached hereto as Appendices A and B respectively; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been duly held on September 10, 2019, and comments and objections of all interested persons have been heard and considered as required by the terms of the Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY. This Annual Rate Resolution is adopted pursuant to the Code; the Initial Assessment Resolution; the Final Assessment Resolution; Chapter 166, Florida Statutes; Article VIII, Section 2, Florida

Constitution; the Town of Palm Beach Charter; and other applicable provisions of law.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

(A) This Resolution is the Annual Rate Resolution as defined in the Code.

(B) All capitalized terms in this Annual Rate Resolution shall have the meanings defined in the Code, Initial Assessment Resolution, as amended, and the Final Assessment Resolution, unless the context clearly indicates an alternative meaning.

SECTION 3. APPROVAL OF UPDATED ASSESSMENT ROLL.

(A) The Improvement Assessment Roll, which is on file in the office of the Town Manager and incorporated herein by reference, is hereby approved for the Fiscal Year commencing on October 1, 2019.

(B) Additionally, the Improvement Assessment Roll, as approved, includes those Tax Parcels of Assessed Property within the Townside Underground Utility Assessment Area that cannot be set forth in that Improvement Assessment Roll due to the provisions of Chapter 2019-12, Laws of Florida, concerning exempt “home addresses” under Section 119.071(d), Florida Statutes.

SECTION 4. REIMPOSITION OF ASSESSMENTS TO FUND THE UNDERGROUND UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS.

(A) The Tax Parcels described in the updated Improvement Assessment Roll are hereby found to be specially benefited by the provision of the

Underground Utility Improvements in the amount of the annual Improvement Assessment set forth in the updated Improvement Assessment Roll. The methodology set forth in Sections 3.02 and 4.04 of the Initial Assessment Resolution, as amended and approved in the Final Assessment Resolution, for assigning Assessment Units and computing the Improvement Assessments is hereby confirmed and found to be a fair and reasonable method of apportioning the Project Cost among the benefited properties.

(B) For the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2019, the Project Cost shall be allocated among all Tax Parcels in the Townwide Underground Utility Assessment Area, based upon each parcel's assignment of Assessment Units. Annual Improvement Assessments have been levied and imposed on all Tax Parcels within the Townwide Underground Utility Assessment Area at the annual assessment rates computed in the manner described in the Initial Assessment Resolution, as amended and approved in the Final Assessment Resolution for a period not to exceed 30 years, commencing with the ad valorem tax bill that was mailed in November 2017.

SECTION 5.ASSESSMENT LIENS. Upon adoption of this Annual Rate Resolution:

(A) The Improvement Assessments shall constitute a lien against the assessed property equal in rank and dignity with the liens of all state, county, district or municipal taxes and other non-ad valorem assessments. Except as otherwise provided by law, such lien shall be superior in dignity to all other liens,

titles, and claims until paid. The lien shall be deemed perfected upon adoption by the Town Council of this Annual Rate Resolution and shall attach to the property included on the Improvement Assessment Roll as of the prior January 1, the lien date for ad valorem taxes.

(B) As to any Tax Parcel that is acquired by a public entity through condemnation, negotiated sale or otherwise prior to adoption of the next Annual Rate Resolution, the Prepayment Amount shall constitute a lien against assessed property equal in rank and dignity with the liens of all state, county, district or municipal taxes and other non-ad valorem assessments. Except as otherwise provided by law, such lien shall be superior in dignity to all other liens, titles, and claims, until paid. The lien shall be deemed perfected upon adoption by the Town Council of the Annual Rate Resolution and shall attach to property included on the Improvement Assessment Roll upon adoption of the Annual Rate Resolution.

SECTION 6. COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS. The Improvement Assessments shall be collected pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act. Upon adoption of this Annual Rate Resolution, the Town Manager shall cause the certification and delivery of the Improvement Assessment Roll to the Tax Collector by September 15, in the manner prescribed by the Uniform Assessment Collection Act. The Improvement Assessment Roll, as delivered to the Tax Collector, shall be accompanied by a Certificate to Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll in substantially the form attached hereto as Appendix C.

SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY. If any clause, section or provision of this Resolution shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason or cause, the remaining portion of said Resolution shall remain in full force and effect and be valid as if such invalid portion thereof had not been incorporated herein.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in a regular, adjourned session of the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach assembled this 10th day of September, 2019.

Gail L. Coniglio, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathleen Dominguez, Town Clerk

APPENDIX A

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Before the undersigned authority, personally appeared Teal Pontarelli, who on oath, says that he/she is a Legal Advertising Representative of The Palm Beach Post, a daily and Sunday newspaper, published in West Palm Beach and distributed in Palm Beach County, Martin County, and St. Lucie County, Florida; that the attached copy of advertising for a P-Main Legal ROP was published in said newspaper on: first date of Publication 08/16/2019 and last date of Publication 08/16/2019. Affiant further says that the said The Palm Beach Post is a newspaper published in West Palm Beach, in said Palm Beach County, Florida and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in said Palm Beach County, Florida, daily and Sunday and has been entered as second class mail matter at the post office in West Palm Beach, in said Palm Beach County, Florida, for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement; and affiant further says that he/she has neither paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in said newspaper.

PALM BEACH FINANCE, TOWN OF
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PALM BEACH, FL 33480-6735

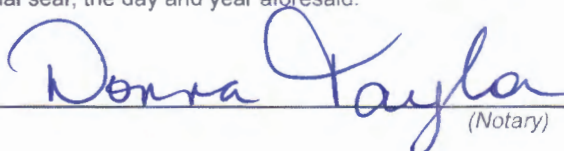
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Signed


(Legal Advertising Agent)

Sworn or affirmed to, and subscribed before me, this 16th day of August, 2019 in Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year aforesaid.

Signed


(Notary)



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TOWN OF PALM BEACH TOWN COUNCIL

APPENDIX B

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Jane Le Clainche, who, after being duly sworn, depose and say:

1. I, Jane Le Clainche, as the Finance Director of the Town of Palm Beach ("Town"), in accordance with Chapter 92-264, Laws of Florida, a special act relating to the Property Appraiser, have been directed by the Town Council to provide notice of the assessment to be imposed within the Townwide Underground Utility Assessment Area as part of the notice of proposed property taxes under Section 200.069, Florida Statutes, the truth-in-millage notification.

2. In accordance with this direction, I timely provided the information concerning the purpose of the assessment and assessment amount for each affected tax parcel within the Townwide Underground Utility Assessment Area to the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser for inclusion as a part of the notice of proposed property taxes under Section 200.069, Florida Statutes, the truth-in-millage notification.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

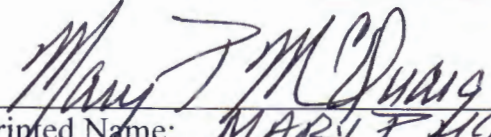


Jane Le Clainche

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF PALM BEACH

The foregoing Affidavit of Mailing was sworn to and subscribed before me this 28 day of August, 2019 by Jane Le Clainche, Finance Director, Town of Palm Beach, Florida. She is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and did take an oath.




Printed Name: MARY P MCQUAIG
Notary Public, State of Florida
At Large
My Commission Expires: Oct 31, 2020
Commission No.: GG 009473

APPENDIX C

**FORM OF CERTIFICATE TO
NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT ROLL**



CERTIFICATE TO NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT ROLL

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am the Chairman of the Board, or authorized agent of the Town of Palm Beach, located in Palm Beach County, Florida; as such, I have satisfied myself that all property included or includable on the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll for the aforesaid county is properly assessed so far as I have been able to ascertain; and that all required extensions on the above described roll to show the non-ad valorem assessments attributable to the property listed therein have been made pursuant to law.

I further certify that, upon completion of this certificate and the attachment of same to the herein described Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll as part thereof, said Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll will be delivered to the Tax Collector of this county.

In witness whereof, I have subscribed this certificate and caused the same to be attached to and made a part of the above described Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll this the 10th day of September, 2019.
year

Chairman of the Board or authorized agent
of the Town of Palm Beach
Name of local government
Palm Beach County, Florida