



TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Town Clerk's Office

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Special Town Council Meeting of Thursday, September 10, 2020 was called to order at 5:01 p.m. On roll call, all elected officials were found to be present.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Margaret A. Zeidman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Council Member Araskog and seconded by President Pro Tem Lindsay to approve the agenda. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS

There were no comments from the public.

V. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE, TENTATIVE FY21 BUDGETS AND NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

President Zeidman read the required legal verbiage into the record.

A. Notice of Proposed Property Taxes

B. Proposed Operating Millage Rate

C. Reasons for Proposed Operating Millage Rate Increase over the Rolled-Back Millage Rate

Town Manager Blouin read into the record the required legal verbiage and presented the reasons for the increase in the ad valorem assessments over the rolled-back millage rate.

D. Comments and Questions from Public

There were no comments from the public.

E. Discussion and Adoption (with changes, if any) of Proposed Operating Millage Rate for FY21.

1. RESOLUTION NO. 65-2020 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, Adopting the Proposed Millage Rate Necessary to Fund the Tentative General (Operating) Fund Budget for the 2020 - 2021 Fiscal Year.

Town Manager Blouin read the Resolution by title into the record.

Motion was made by Council Member Crampton and seconded by Council Member Moore to approve Resolution No. 65-2020. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

F. Non-Ad Valorem Assessments

1. Commercial Solid Waste Fee Assessments
[H. Paul Brazil, Director of Public Works]
 - a. RESOLUTION NO. 66-2020 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, Relating to the Collection and Disposal of Commercial Solid Waste; Establishing the Solid Waste Cost and Rate of Assessment; Imposing Solid Waste Service Assessments Against Certain Assessed Property Located Within the Town of Palm Beach; Approving the Updated Solid Waste Assessment Roll; Confirming the Preliminary Rate Resolution; Providing for Severability and Providing an Effective Date.

Director Brazil read into the record the required legal verbiage and provided an overview of the current and proposed solid waste assessments. There were no public comments.

Town Manager Blouin read the resolution by title into the record.

Motion was made by Council Member Moore and seconded by Council President Pro Tem Lindsay to approve Resolution No. 66-2020. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

2. Worth Avenue Commercial District Improvement Project
[Jane Le Clainche, Director of Finance]

- a. RESOLUTION NO. 67-2020 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, Relating to the Provision of the Worth Avenue Improvement Project; Providing Authority and Definitions; Approving the Final Assessment Rolls; Providing for the Continued Imposition of the Improvement Assessments to Fund the Worth Avenue Improvement Project and Imposition of the Maintenance Assessments to Fund the Related Maintenance Services; Providing for Collection of the Assessments Pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; Providing for the Effect of this Resolution; Providing Severability and an Effective Date.

Director Le Clainche read into the record the required legal verbiage and provided an overview of the assessment rate. There were no public comments.

Town Manager Blouin read the resolution by title into the record.

Motion was made by Council Member Araskog and seconded by Council Member Moore to approve Resolution No. 67-2020. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

3. Via Fontana Underground Conversion Project
[Jane Le Clainche, Director of Finance]

- a. RESOLUTION NO. 68-2020 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 Via Fontana Assessment Area; Approving the Updated Assessment Roll; Providing for the Continued Imposition of the Assessments to Fund the Underground Utility Improvements Within the Via Fontana Assessment Area; Providing for Collection of the Assessments Pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; Providing Severability and an Effective Date.

Director Le Clainche provided an overview of the assessments. There were no public comments.

Town Manager Blouin read the resolution by titles into the record.

Motion was made by Council Member Crampton and seconded by Council Member Moore to approve Resolution No. 68-2020. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

4. Everglades Island Underground Conversion Project
[Jane Le Clainche, Director of Finance]

- a. RESOLUTION NO. 69-2020 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 Everglades Island Assessment Area; Approving the Updated Assessment Roll; Providing for the Continued Imposition of the Assessments to Fund the Underground Utility Improvements Within the Everglades Island Assessment Area; Providing for Collection of the Assessments Pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; Providing Severability and an Effective Date.

Director Le Clainche provided an overview of the assessments. There were no public comments.

Town Manager Blouin read the resolution by title into the record.

Motion was made by Council Member Moore and seconded by Council Member Araskog to approve Resolution No. 69-2020. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

5. Peruvian Avenue 400 Block Streetscape Project
[Jane Le Clainche, Director of Finance]

- a. RESOLUTION NO. 70-2020 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, Relating to the Provision of the Peruvian Avenue Improvement Project; Providing Authority and Definitions; Approving the Final Assessment Rolls; Providing for the Continued Imposition of the Improvement Assessments to Fund the Peruvian Avenue Improvement Project and Imposition of the Maintenance Assessments to Fund the Related Maintenance Services; Providing for Collection of the Assessments Pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; Providing for the Effect of this Resolution; Providing Severability and an Effective Date.

Director Le Clainche provided an overview of the assessments.

Town Manager Blouin read the resolution by title into the record.

Motion was made by Council Member Crampton and seconded by Council Member Moore to approve Resolution No. 70-2020. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

6. Town Wide Underground Utility Project Assessments
[Jane Le Clainche, Director of Finance]

- a. RESOLUTION NO. 71-2020 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.

Director Le Clainche provided an overview of the assessments. There were no public comments.

Town Manager Blouin read the resolution by title into the record.

Motion was made by Council Member Araskog and seconded by Council Member Moore to approve Resolution No. 71-2020. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

7. Nightingale La Puerta Underground Conversion Project
[Jane Le Clainche, Director of Finance]

- a. RESOLUTION NO. 72-2020 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 Nightingale-La Puerta Assessment Area; Approving the Updated Assessment Roll; Providing for the Continued Imposition of the Assessments to Fund the Underground Utility Improvements Within the Nightingale – La Puerta Assessment Area; Providing for Collection of the Assessments Pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; Providing Severability and an Effective Date.

Director Le Clainche provided an overview of the assessments. There were no public comments.

Town Manager Blouin read the resolution by title into the record.

Motion was made by Council Member Moore and seconded by Council Member Araskog to approve Resolution No. 72-2020. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

8. Lake Towers Underground Conversion Project
[Jane Le Clainche, Director of Finance]

- a. RESOLUTION NO. 73-2020 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 Lake Towers Assessment Area; Approving the Updated Assessment Roll; Providing for the Continued Imposition of the Assessments to Fund the Underground Utility Improvements Within the Lake Towers Assessment Area; Providing for Collection of the Assessments Pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; Providing Severability and an Effective Date.

Director Le Clainche provided an overview of the assessments. There were no public comments.

Town Manager Blouin read the resolution by title into the record.

Motion was made by Council Member Araskog and seconded by Council President Pro Tem Lindsay to approve Resolution No. 73-2020. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

G. Discussion and Adoption (with changes, if any) of a Tentative Operating Budget, Debt Service Budget, and Budgets for Other Funds for FY21.

1. RESOLUTION NO. 74-2020 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, Adopting the Tentative General (Operating) Fund, Debt Service Fund and Budgets for Other Funds for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year.

Town Manager Blouin read the resolution by title into the record.
There were no public comments.

Motion was made by Council President Pro Tem Lindsay and seconded by Council Member Araskog to approve Resolution No. 74-2020. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

- H. Second and Final Public Hearing to Adopt the Final Millage Rate and Budgets will be on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 5:01 p.m., in the Town of Palm Beach Council Chambers.

Deputy Town Manager Jay Boodheshwar confirmed that the second and final public hearing to adopt the final millage rate and budgets will be held virtually via Zoom webinar on September 16, 2020 at 5:01 p.m.

VI. ANY OTHER MATTERS

Council Member Moore spoke regarding the importance of remembering the lives lost on the anniversary of 9/11 and remarked that she was blessed to live in the USA and to serve on the Town Council.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The Special Town Council Meeting was adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

APPROVED:

Margaret A. Zeidman, Town Council President

ATTEST:

Queenester Nieves, CMC, Town Clerk

Date