

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Strickland and City Council Members

FROM: John J. McCue, City Manager

DATE: July 16, 2008

SUBJECT: Establish Tentative FY 2008-2009 Millage Rate

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BY: RBC 3:00pm

PURPOSE

The attached Resolution No. 485-08 will establish a tentative millage levy and the date, time, and place of the first public hearing on the levy of the proposed FY 2008-2009 Budget for purposes of public notification under the Florida TRIM Statutes. The County Property Appraiser must be given this information by Monday, August 4, 2008.

BACKGROUND

Under the TRIM (Truth in Millage) Statute, all property owners are to be notified of this proposed levy by a mailing from the Volusia County Property Appraiser. The City Council may subsequently reduce this millage, but cannot increase the levy without an additional public notification to all City property owners. Practically, this resolution establishes the maximum property tax levy for our upcoming next fiscal year.

The current millage rate for the General Fund is 4.38237 mills or \$4.38237 for each \$1,000.00 of assessed value in the City. The property appraiser has certified that the City's roll-back rate is 4.7513 mills and this would generate \$3,346,000 (at 97%) for the next fiscal year. Each 10th of a mill represents additional revenue of \$69,709 (97%). Staff recommends setting the tentative millage at 4.7513. The tentative rate at 4.7513 mills establishes a ceiling (can not be more than 4.7513). A final recommended millage rate will be included in the proposed budget for FY 08-09.

The first millage/budget public hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, September 9, 2008 at 6 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 201 N. Holly Ave., Orange City, FL 32763, which will not conflict with School Board and County millage/budget public hearing dates. Although not required to be included with the Property Appraiser's notice to taxpayers, the second public hearing is scheduled to be during the regular City Council meeting on Tuesday, September 23, 2008 at 7 p.m.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the City Council approve the tentative millage rate at 4.7513 mills and establish the first public hearing as proposed via ratification of Resolution No. 485-08.

RESOLUTION NO. 485-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE CITY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE FOR THE 2008-2009 FISCAL YEAR; ESTABLISHING THE DATE, TIME, AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE AND THE TENTATIVE BUDGET; DIRECTING COMMUNICATION; EXPRESSING LEGISLATIVE INTENT; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HERewith AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE CITY, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. In consideration of the estimate of receipts and the estimate of expenditures of the City of Orange City, Florida ("the City"), for the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Annual Budget, it is hereby determined and declared that the proposed rate of taxation necessary to meet the estimate of General Fund expenses of the City shall be at the millage rate of 4.7513 mills or \$4.7513 for each \$1,000 of taxable value, to be levied and imposed upon all non-exempt taxable property within the corporate limits. The 4.7513 millage rate represents the rollback rate as certified by the Volusia County Property Appraiser July 1, 2008 and computed pursuant to Fla. Stat. 200.065(1) and Fla. Stat. 200.185(5).

SECTION 2. A public hearing on the aforesated proposed millage rate and on the tentative Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Annual Budget will be held on Tuesday, September 9, 2008 at 6:00 p.m., in City Council Chambers, 201 North Holly Avenue, Orange City, Florida.

SECTION 3. The Finance Director is hereby directed to advise the Volusia County Property Appraiser of the City's proposed millage rate as set forth herein, of its rolled back millage rate computed pursuant to Section 200.065(1), Florida Statutes (2007), and Florida Administrative Code R. 12D-17.0035, and of the first public hearing that will be held Tuesday, September 9, 2008 at 6:00 p.m., in City Council Chambers, 201 North Holly Avenue, Orange City, Florida.

SECTION 4. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Orange City, Florida.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS (Resolution No. 485-08):

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| Donald Sandford | _____ | Donald C. Sherrill | _____ |
| Jim Mahoney | _____ | Tom Luputka | _____ |
| Tom Abraham | _____ | Jeff H. Allebach, Vice Mayor | _____ |
| Harley Strickland, Mayor | _____ | | |

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2008.

ATTEST:

AUTHENTICATED:

Deborah J. Renner, CMC, City Clerk

Harley Strickland, Mayor

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

W. E. Reischmann, City Attorney