

RESOLUTION NO. 22-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA DIRECTING THE PINELLAS COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO PREPARE AND ADVERTISE A LIST OF NAMES OF DELINQUENT PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Pinellas County Tax Collector (Tax Collector) generates the information required to advertise the personal or real property with delinquent taxes annually; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is also responsible for advertising the lists of delinquent taxes and paying the costs for the advertising pursuant to Section 197.402, Florida Statutes (2021); and

WHEREAS, all advertisements for delinquent taxes shall be in the form prescribed by the Florida State Department of Revenue; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) is required to make any notices of personal or real property with delinquent taxes as required pursuant to Section 197.402, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, by a written request directed to the Chair of that Board, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, the Tax Collector has requested that the Board delegate its duties under Section 197.402, Florida Statutes, to him.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, Florida, in a meeting duly-assembled on this 22 day of February, 2022, adopt the following:

1. Pursuant to this Resolution, the Tax Collector of Pinellas County, Florida, is hereby directed to take any such action as may be required on the Board's behalf to make such

notices as required by Section 197.402, Florida Statutes, in order to effectuate the statutory requirements to prepare and advertise the personal and real property with delinquent taxes.

2. This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption, and the Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller is hereby directed to deliver a copy of this Resolution to the Tax Collector immediately upon its adoption.

Commissioner Peters offered the foregoing Resolution and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Commissioner Long, and upon roll call the vote was:

AYES: Justice, Long, Eggers, Flowers, Gerard, Peters, and Seel.

NAYS: None.

Absent and not voting: None.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

By: Jason C. Ester
Office of the County Attorney

Attachment

Exhibit A

Charles W. Thomas
pinellas county tax collector

January 25, 2022

Honorable Commissioner Charlie Justice, Chair
Board of County Commissioners
315 Court Street
Clearwater, FL 33756

Re: Advertisement of Delinquent Real and Personal Property Taxes

Dear Commissioner Justice:

Pursuant to section 197.402, Florida Statutes, I am required to prepare, advertise, and pay the cost of advertising the lists of delinquent personal and real property taxes each year. The Board of County Commissioners is required to make such notices pursuant to the same statute. Because my office is in direct communication with the appropriate media vendors in which these advertisements are made and my staff update and proof the advertisements prior to publication, it is in the interest of economy that I request that the Board authorize me and my staff to take any and all actions that may be required of the Board on your behalf. As such, I am requesting the Board of County Commissioners adopt a resolution directing the Tax Collector to take any and all such action as may be required of the Board of County Commissioners by section 197.402, Florida Statutes.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Charles W. Thomas, CFC
Pinellas County Tax Collector

CWT/dls

cc: Jason C. Ester, Senior Assistant County Attorney

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