# Tierra Verde Municipal Services Taxing Unit

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## Over the years, the County has collaborated with the Tierra Verde Community Association (TVCA) to provide an enhanced level of service, including:

- Maintenance of medians
- Operation and maintenance of the current sports complex (Baseball, Tennis etc)
- TVCA and the County are now exploring a sustainable framework to continue and potentially expand the levels of service

# **Public Engagement Plan**



# The County has held two Public Information Sessions and will be hosting another at the end of the month

- 04/08/2025 held at Tampa Bay Watch from 6-8pm
  - Office Hours at TVCA 04/09 and 04/10
    - An informational handout and survey was provided to residents
- 04/16/2025 held at Tampa Bay Watch from 6-8pm
  - Office Hours at TVCA 04/17 and 04/18
    - An informational handout and survey was provided to residents
  - The Community survey goes live on the web page today 04/17
- 04/23/2025 a virtual Zoom meeting from 6-8pm



### **Option 1: .3000 Mills | Estimated Revenues: \$502,669**

### Status quo with historical service levels provided by TVCA.

- Maintaining Landscaping on the Medians \$240,000
- Operation and Maintenance of the current Recreation Area \$119,000
- Streetlighting (Duke Energy Billing) \$72,000
- County Fees \$15,400
- Reserves (11%) \$56,269



### **Option 2: .3500 Mills | Estimated Revenues: \$586,448**

# Includes historical service levels provided by TVCA, plus the new Recreation Center with one part-time employee.

- Maintaining Landscaping on the Medians \$240,000
- Operation and Maintenance of the current Recreation Area \$119,000
- New Recreation Facility maintenance and Operations (.5 FTE) \$74,760
- Streetlighting (Duke Energy Billing) \$72,000
- County Fees \$17,400
- Reserves (11%) \$63,288



#### **Option 3: .4000 Mills | Estimated Revenues: \$670,226**

# Includes historical service levels provided by TVCA, plus the new Recreation Center with 1.5 full-time employees.

- Maintaining Landscaping on the Medians \$240,000
- Operation and Maintenance of the current Recreation Area \$119,000
- New Recreation Facility maintenance and Operations (1.5 FTE) \$135,260
- Streetlighting (Duke Energy Billing) \$72,000
- County Fees \$19,400
- Reserves (13%) \$84,566



#### **Option 4: .4550 Mills | Estimated Revenues: \$762,382**

Includes historical service levels provided by TVCA, plus the new Recreation Center with 1.5 full-time employees, and funding for future improvements

- Maintaining Landscaping on the Medians \$240,000
- Operation and Maintenance of the current Recreation Area \$119,000
- New Recreation Facility maintenance and Operations (1.5 FTE) \$135,260
- Future Community Improvements \$100,000
- Streetlighting (Duke Energy Billing) \$72,000
- County Fees \$20,400
- Reserves (10%) \$75,722

# If There is No MSTU Established



## To ensure transparency, we want to clearly outline the service levels that would apply if no MSTU is established

- The Sports Complex would become a passive County park
- Public Works would be responsible for removing any dead materials from existing landscaping until June 2027
- The new Recreation Center would not be built
- The monthly streetlight bill would have to continue to be funded by TVCA, or be turned off

# **Initial Public Engagement Feedback**



#### Thus far we have had two public information sessions

 The handout provided today summarizes the feedback we've received from the community so far

## **The MSTU Process Next Steps**



## To move forward with establishing an MSTU for Tierra Verde, the next steps are:

- The third and final public information session and survey results
- The Commission Board meeting to consider the Ordinance May 20<sup>th</sup>
- The Tierra Verde MSTU millage rate would be established through the budget process for FY26

## Language for the MSTU Ordinance



# As a part of the process, an MSTU Ordinance would need to be drafted. As such, we would like your thoughts on:

- The millage cap
  - Feather Sound has a cap of 1 mill
- The board appointment terms
  - 2 years is consistent with the Seminole MSTU

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# **Any Questions?**

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