



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Authority to advertise the second public hearing to be held on September 26, 2017 relating to the tentative millage rates and budgets for the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget (regular agenda item).

Recommended Action:

Authorize the County Administrator to advertise the second public hearing relating to the tentative millage rates and budgets for the Fiscal Year 2018 (FY18) Budget.

Strategic Plan:

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources

Summary:

The second (final) public hearing is scheduled for September 26, 2017. The order of business and content of this hearing are mandated by Florida Statutes, particularly Section 200.065(3) that includes specific requirements for the Taxing Authority to advertise its intent to adopt a final millage rate and budget. The form, content, timing, and placement of the required advertisements are specified by statute.

Background Information:

The Truth in Millage (TRIM) Notices, which were mailed to all county property taxpayers on August 21, 2017, contained the notice of the time and place of the first public hearing on the FY18 Proposed Budget.

Fiscal Impact:

Advertisement of the tentative millage rates and budgets and the date, time and place of the final public hearing, for County-wide, Municipal Services Taxing Unit, and other taxing districts is required to comply with Florida Statutes. At the final public hearing, the Board of County Commissioners will approve appropriations for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017.

Staff Member Responsible:

Bill Berger, Director

Office of Management and Budget

Partners:

N/A

Attachments:

None