

CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

**TRIM PUBLIC HEARING
September 13, 2021, 5:01 p.m.**

2300 High Ridge Road, Boynton Beach, FL and

MINUTES

Present:

Thomas Bean
Mike Burke
Elisa Cramer
Vincent Goodman
Jose Luis Rodriguez
Thomas Weber

Excused: Kathleen Kroll.; Debra Robinson, M.D.; Maria Sachs

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bean called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm.
Roll call was taken

2. AGENDA

- A. Additions, deletions, substitutions - None
- B. Adoption

A motion by Goodman/Burke to adopt the agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

3. 2021-22 TENTATIVE BUDGET

- A. Percent increase above rolled-back rate 0%

Debra Gotlib, General Counsel, stated that the proposed millage of .6233 which the Council tentatively approved on July 8, 2021, represents no increase of the rolled-back rate.

- B. Presentation

Debra Heim, Chief Financial Officer provided a detailed overview of the 21-22 budget.

The CFO advised that the TRIM packet shows the proposed budget for FY 21/22 compared to the approved budget for the current FY 20/21. The proposed budget for 21-22 is \$40,228 lower than the proposed budget presented and tentatively approved by the Council on July 8, 2021.

The CFO reviewed the budget assumptions detailed in the TRIM packet.

The CFO stated that the proposed millage rate for Fiscal Year 21/22 is .6233, which is the rolled-back rate. The proposed taxes to be levied for fiscal year 21/22 is \$133,216,049.

The total proposed budget for FY 21/22 is \$141,873,784. The proposed budget is increasing by 1.77% vs prior year primarily to accommodate an increase in program spending for natural cost drivers and expansions for currently funded programs.

The CFO further described the other Exhibits in the TRIM packet to the Council members.

Chair Bean advised that the Finance Committee is recommending tentative adoption by the Council of the proposed millage rate and the proposed FY 21-22 budget.

C. Public Comment on the tentative budget

There was public comment from one person reflecting opposition to the property tax.

D. Comments from the Council on the tentative budget

No comments or questions from the Council on the tentative budget.

4. 2021-22 TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE - .6233

Chair Bean advised the Council that the tentative millage rate for 21-22 is .6233.

A. Public Comment on the millage rate

There were no comments from the public on the millage rate.

B. Comments from the Council on the millage rate

In response to a question by Council member Goodman, Chair Bean advised that the new millage rate, along with the fund balance and contingency fund would be adequate to meet any expanded need.

Chair Bean expressed appreciation for staff's fiscal prudence and being able to produce a sensible budget using the rolled-back millage rate.

C. Tentative Adoption

A motion by Goodman/Weber to adopt the tentative millage rate of .6233 was approved by unanimous vote.

5. TENTATIVE ADOPTION OF 2021-22 BUDGET

A. Tentative adoption of 2021-22 budget

A motion by Goodman/Weber to adopt the tentative 2021-2022 Budget was approved by unanimous vote.

6. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FINAL TRIM HEARING – SEPTEMBER 23, 2021 – 5:01 P.M. at 2300 High Ridge Road, Boynton Beach, FL.

Chair Bean stated that the final TRIM Hearing will be held on September 23, 2021 at 5:01 pm. The public can attend in person at 2300 High Ridge Road, Boynton Beach, FL 33426.

7. PERCENT BY WHICH PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE IS MORE THAN THE ROLLED-BACK RATE – 0%

General Counsel stated that with the proposed millage remaining at .6233, which is the rolled-back rate, there is no increase over the rolled-back rate.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Thomas Bean, Chair

Lisa Williams-Taylor, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer