



City of Pompano Beach

100 West Atlantic Blvd.
Pompano Beach, FL 33060

Detailed Minutes - Final

City Commission

Rex Hardin, Mayor

Beverly Perkins, Vice Mayor

Rhonda Eaton, Commissioner

Cyndy Floyd, Commissioner

Andrea McGee, Commissioner

Tom McMahon, Commissioner

Gregory P. Harrison, City Manager

Mark Berman, City Attorney

Asceleta Hammond, City Clerk

Monday, September 12, 2022

5:15 PM

Commission Chamber

Special City Commission/ EMS Taxing District

CALL TO ORDER

The Honorable Rex Hardin, Mayor called the Special City Commission meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Rhonda Eaton
Commissioner Cyndy Floyd
Commissioner Andrea McGee
Commissioner Tom McMahon
Vice Mayor Beverly Perkins
Mayor Rex Hardin

INVOCATION

The Honorable Rex Hardin, Mayor offered the invocation

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Kervin Alfred, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Agenda be APPROVED AS SUBMITTED. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

A. PRESENTATION

Mayor Hardin introduced the item on the Agenda, a staff presentation of the tentative adoption of the proposed millage rates and proposed budgets of the City of Pompano Beach and Emergency Medical Services District for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. He then turned the meeting over to Erjeta Diamanti, Budget

Director, to begin the presentation.

Ms. Diamanti stated that this is the first budget hearing to adopt the proposed millage rates and proposed budgets, as well as the final adoption of the fire assessment fees for fiscal year 2023 and to amend Chapter 34 of the Code of Ordinances, City Policy, for the position classification plan.

Ms. Diamanti provided the outline for the presentation, which consisted of the Annual Budget Process Timeline, FY 2023 Recommended Budget for All Funds, FY 2023 Recommended General Fund Budget by function, FY 2023 General Fund Non-Valorem Revenue Variances, FY 2023 Recommended Fire Assessment Fees, Property Valuation, Recommended Millage Rates, Tax Impacts, as well as the next steps in the budget process. Attached as **Exhibit 1** is a copy of the presentation in its entirety that provides a more detailed breakdown of the FY 2023 Recommended Budget.

In sum, Ms. Diamanti highlighted the recommendations for the FY 2023, which are as follows:

The recommended FY 2023 Citywide Budget of \$360,782,892 decreased by -\$72.7M or -16.8% when compared to the adopted FY 2022 Citywide Budget of \$433,510,744. This decrease can primarily be attributed to the reduction in the G.O. Bond capital improvement projects of \$79.4M allocated in FY 2022.

The total FY 2023 General Fund budget of \$179,788,000 represents a \$4.7M or 3% increase when compared to the FY 2022 adopted budget of \$175,065,000.

The reason for this increase is due to:

- **Other Expenses** increased by \$1M, primarily associated with Tax Increment Financing (TIF) allocation to the CRAs NW & East Taxing Districts, which amounts to \$914,000.
- **Transfers** decreased by -\$6.2M, primarily due to the use of one-time ARPA funding that the City received in FY 2022.
- **Capital Expenses** decreased by -\$129K due to capital outlay (pay-as-you-go) items based on the Capital Replacement Plan for FY 2023.
- **Operating Expenses** increased by \$1.4M, primarily due to the net effect of the reduction in Code Compliance Contract (-\$1.5M) as the City will be providing the service in-house, resulting in a \$400K net savings for the City; Police services budget increase of \$2.65M, which includes the 16 School Resource Officers (SRO's) and the normal annual contract adjustments. A portion of the cost of the SRO program is offset by the transfer to the General Fund from the Local Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETF) in the amount of \$525K.
- **Personnel Services** increased by \$8.6M, primarily due to the general employees and firefighter union negotiations for pension contributions (\$5.2M), as well as adjustments to salaries and benefits (\$3.4M). Code Compliance salaries and benefits adjustment for 15 full-time employees account for approximately \$1.1M of this amount (corresponding decrease in contracted professional services). Also, the City brought these services in-house resulting in net savings of \$400K. Additionally, new full-time and part-time positions for various departments account for \$380K.

The recommended fire assessment fees for FY 2023 were adjusted. The residential fee is adjusted by \$30 from \$220 to \$250 and the other fees are proportionally adjusted with the residential rate adjustment. Note: The annual fire rescue assessment fees program within the incorporated areas of the City of Pompano Beach is restricted for providing a dedicated source of funding for eligible fire rescue services, facilities, programs, personnel wages and benefits within the Fire Department, to exclude ocean rescue operations and emergency medical services. The fire assessment fees are being recommended to be adjusted to align with the FY 2023 projected eligible expenditures, to include the FireFighters Union negotiation contract that was approved by the City Commission.

The recommended adjustment in fees is expected to generate an additional \$3.7 million in gross revenues, when compared to the FY 2022 adopted revenues. The FY 2023 General Fund ad-valorem revenues covers approximately 100% of the Ocean Rescue Division (\$2.5M) and 29% of the EMS budget (\$6M). When compared to the FY 2023 recommended fire residential fees of other municipalities, the City of Pompano Beach's FY 2022 residential fire fee is ranked the fifth (5th) lowest and the FY 2023 recommended residential fee is ranked the eighth (8th) lowest.

Overall, the recommended Operating Millage Rate for FY 2023 is 5.2705. Therefore, when compared to the adopted FY 2022 Aggregate Millage Rate of 6.3916, the recommended FY 2023 Aggregate Millage Rate of 6.3653 decreased by -0.41%. The City's adopted FY 2022 Aggregate Millage Rate is ranked the sixteenth (16th) lowest and the recommended FY 2023 Aggregate Millage Rate maintained the same ranking at sixteen (16), when compared to the recommended FY 2023 Aggregate Millage Rates for the 30 other municipalities in Broward County. Also, the average homesteaded property with an assessment value of \$100,000 will experience an impact of \$318 and \$637 for a non-homesteaded property. Both groups will experience a reduction of \$2 respectively.

Lastly, Ms. Diamanti stated that today is the 1st Public Budget Hearing for the adoption of the preliminary millage rates, budgets, the fire assessment fee and the adjustment in the classification plan and on September 19th at 5:15 p.m. is the 2nd Public Budget Hearing when the City will adopt the final millage rates, budgets, the five-year capital improvement plan along with the classification plan. She then stated the EMS District Meeting will start immediately after the adjournment of the Special City Commission Meeting.

Mayor Hardin stated that there is a person who requested to participate remotely via cellphone, and this special accommodation was granted due to the individual being handicapped and was unable to attend the meeting. He then asked that the individual provide his name and address.

Kevin Clover, 36 Pompano Beach Rd. Pompano Beach, FL, was afforded the opportunity to speak remotely, however he presented a matter unrelated to the subject item under discussion.

Mayor Hardin made several attempts to get the attention of Mr. Clover in order that he provide comments on the subject item, but he continued to speak off topic. Shortly after, the call disconnected. Mayor Hardin requested that staff attempt to get a hold of Mr. Clover as there will be another opportunity for public input, however he asked that Mr. Clover be informed to stay on topic regarding the City's budget.

There was no further public input provided on the presentation.

B. CONSIDERATIONS

1. [22-535](#) Adoption of the tentative millage rate for the City of Pompano Beach for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, reflecting a General Fund operating millage of 5.2705; a voted Debt Service millage, Series 2018 of 0.3535 and a voted Debt Service millage, Series 2021 of 0.2413 for a total millage of 5.8653. The City's proposed aggregate millage rate (General Fund operating millage rate (5.2705) and EMS millage rate (0.5000)) of 5.7705 represents a 11.11% increase in property taxes when compared to the aggregate rolled-back millage rate of 5.1937. This increase in property taxes is mostly due to the increase in the City's assessed valuation of taxable property on the 2022 Tax Roll.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Erjeta Diamanti)

There were no further comments from staff on the item.

Ernest Trionfo, 1601 SE 1st Street, commented on the impact that the increase in property taxes has had on his family, citing that his sister was admitted to a nursing home due to stress, relating to a rent increase. His niece inquired about the rent and was told by the landlord that the increase was due to the property taxes. Therefore, he thinks no one wants their taxes to go up and having homestead or not, he believes it is an unfair burden on people especially the elderly.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Consideration Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Eaton
Floyd
McGee
McMahon
Perkins
Hardin

2. [22-536](#) Adoption of the tentative budget for the City of Pompano Beach for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 totaling \$338,368,777.
(Fiscal Impact: \$338,368,777 for FY 2023)

(Staff Contact: Erjeta Diamanti)

Erjeta Diamanti, Budget Director, clarified that the total amount presented was reduced and does not include the EMS Budget, which will be adopted at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Consideration Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Eaton
Floyd
McGee
McMahon
Perkins
Hardin

3. [22-537](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FIRE RESCUE SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS IN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA; IMPOSING FIRE RESCUE ASSESSMENTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2022; APPROVING THE RATE OF ASSESSMENT; APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: \$26,294,305 for FY 2023)

(Staff Contact: Erjeta Diamanti)

Erjeta Diamanti, Budget Director, presented the item and stated that the total estimated revenues and gross revenues that the City will assess by way of the fire assessment fees is approximately \$26.3M. The residential fee is \$250 for the next fiscal year. For non-residential properties, the rates per square foot are as follows:

Commercial: 0.357
Industrial: 0.919
Institutional Properties: 0.441

In sum, Ms. Diamanti stated the fire assessment program is to fund the eligible operations of the Fire Department, except for the Emergency Management Services budget, expenditures, as well as ocean rescue.

In response to Comr. McGee's question regarding the fire assessment rate, Ms. Diamanti stated the fire assessment is not added to the millage, rather it is a particular fee shown as a separate line in the property tax bill.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Regular Agenda/ Resolution be

ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Eaton
Floyd
McGee
McMahon
Perkins
Hardin

Enactment No: RES. No. 2022-211

4. [22-569](#) **P.H. 2022-89: (PUBLIC HEARING 1ST READING)**
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 34, "CITY POLICY," OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING SECTION 34.107, "POSITION CLASSIFICATION PLAN," BY RECLASSIFYING CERTAIN POSITIONS, BY CREATING NEW POSITIONS, BY RETITLING CERTAIN POSITIONS, AND BY RETITLING AND RECLASSIFYING CERTAIN POSITIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: \$2,013,663)

 **Strategic Plan Initiative**

(Staff Contact: Eddie Beecher/Bobby Bush)

Bobby Bush, Senior Human Resources Analyst, presented the item and stated that this is an amendment of the City Ordinance 34.107, which will add reclassified positions within the classification plan to reflect position changes. These changes were proposed in the City's budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. There is a total of 57 classification positions requested in this year's budget. These classifications are a result of a new Code Enforcement Department, the ratification of the IAFF fire contract and the City's classification compensation plan, which is conducted by the Human Resources Department as part of their strategic plan initiative. Continuing, Mr. Bush stated the City is in a highly competitive job market, therefore staff believes these recommendations would move the City in the direction of being the employer of choice.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Regular Agenda/ Ordinance be APPROVED FIRST READING. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Eaton
Floyd
McGee
McMahon
Perkins
Hardin

Enactment No: ORD. No. 2022-63

C. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm

COMMENCE MEETING AS EMS TAXING DISTRICT**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2022****(To start immediately after the Special City Commission Meeting)****A. PUBLIC HEARING****B. CONSIDERATIONS**

1. [22-538](#) Adoption of the tentative millage rate for the Emergency Medical Services District for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 at a millage rate of 0.5000. The proposed millage rate represents a 10.96% increase in property taxes when compared to the rolled-back millage rate of 0.4506. This increase in property taxes is due to the increase in the City's assessed valuation of taxable property on the 2022 Tax Roll.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Erjeta Diamanti)

There were no further comments from staff on the item.

Mayor Hardin stated that there is a person who requested to participate remotely by way of cellphone, and asked if the speaker's comments will pertain to the budget, to which he was told yes. Note: This special accommodation was granted due to the individual being handicapped and was unable to attend the meeting. The speaker was asked to identify himself by providing his name and address.

Kevin Clover, who participated earlier in the previous meeting (duly noted for the record), apologized to the Mayor and staff for the communication issue earlier in the prior meeting. He deferred to the Mayor to inform him of the questions that he was unable to hear previously. Mayor Hardin asked that Mr. Clover stay on topic regarding the budget.

Mr. Clover stated that with respect to the budget, while attracting revenue, the City is obligated to residents and visitors to ensure their safety not in lieu of adding revenue to the budget. He then went off topic and brought up a matter unrelated to the subject item under discussion. Again, Mayor Hardin made several attempts to get the attention of Mr. Clover in an effort to have him to stay on topic, but he continued to speak off topic.

Mayor Hardin stated Mr. Clover was granted the opportunity to speak for purposes relating to the budget, but he appears to want to veer off topic; therefore he concluded the cellphone participation.

Madeline Maddlick, Pompano Beach, FL, stated she heard that on October 1st, there will be a new garbage company, "Coastal", and asked if that will affect any increase on the trash pick-up.

Mayor Hardin stated although that matter does not pertain to this meeting, he did confirm that there will be a new garbage company in operation on October 1st.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Consideration Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Eaton
Floyd
McGee
McMahon
Perkins
Hardin

2. [22-539](#) Adoption of the tentative budget for the Emergency Medical Services District for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 totaling \$22,414,115.
(Fiscal Impact: \$22,414,115 for FY 2023)

(Staff Contact: Erjeta Diamanti)

There were no further comments from staff on the item.

On behalf of the City Commission, Mayor Hardin thanked Ms. Diamanti and City Manager Greg Harrison for all the work on the budget. He commended them along with city staff for doing a great job of keeping the city fiscally-sound and taxes low.

Vice Mayor Perkins asked when is the time of the September 19th meeting. Ms. Diamanti responded 5:15 pm.

Mr. Harrison stated he appreciated the Mayor, Vice Mayor and Commissioners indulgence through all of the various meetings held, especially the one-on-one meetings, when staff was provided advice of which he hoped they did well to follow through.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Perkins, seconded by Commissioner McGee, that the Consideration Item be APPROVED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Eaton
Floyd
McGee
McMahon
Perkins
Hardin

C. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Rex Hardin, Mayor

Asceleta Hammond, City Clerk

CITY OF POMPANO BEACH FIRST PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2023
OCTOBER 1, 2022 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

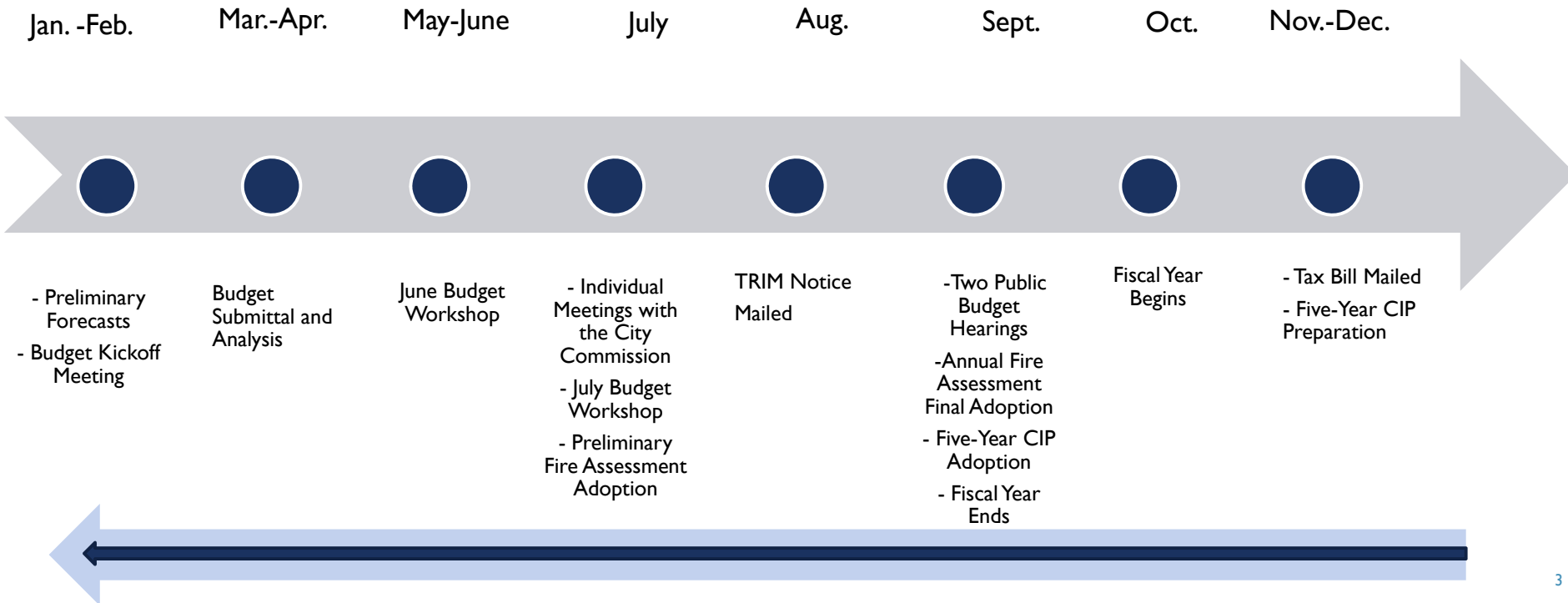


SEPTEMBER 12, 2022 @5:15 P.M.

FIRST PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING PRESENTATION OUTLINE

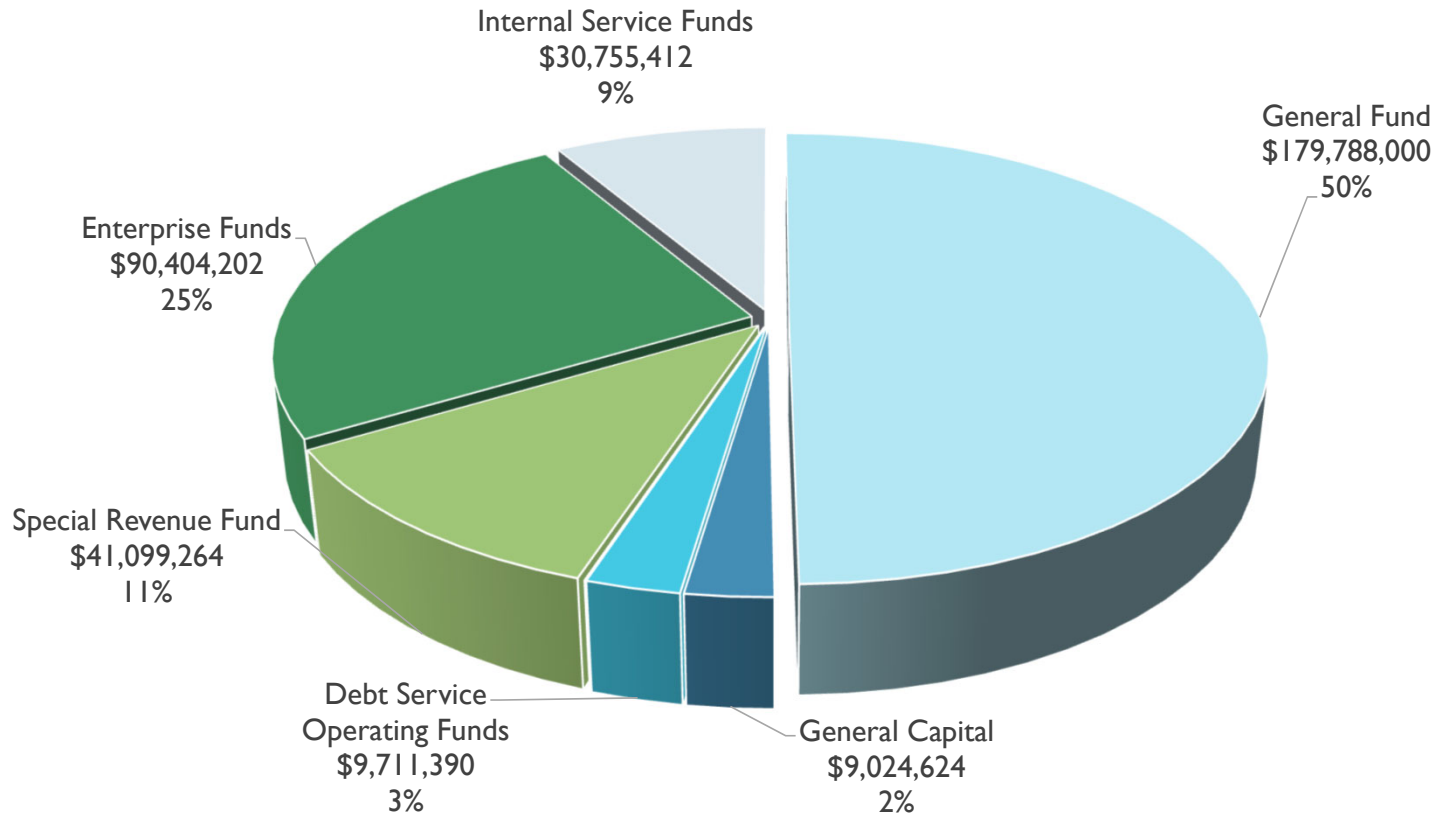
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- FY 2023 Recommended Budget for All Funds
- FY 2023 Recommended General Fund Budget by Function
- FY 2023 General Fund Non-Ad Valorem Revenues Variances
- FY 2023 Recommended Fire Assessment Fees
- Pompano Beach Property Valuation
- FY 2023 Millage Rates and the Impact on Property Taxes
- Next Steps in the Budget Process for FY 2023

ANNUAL BUDGET PROCESS TIMELINE



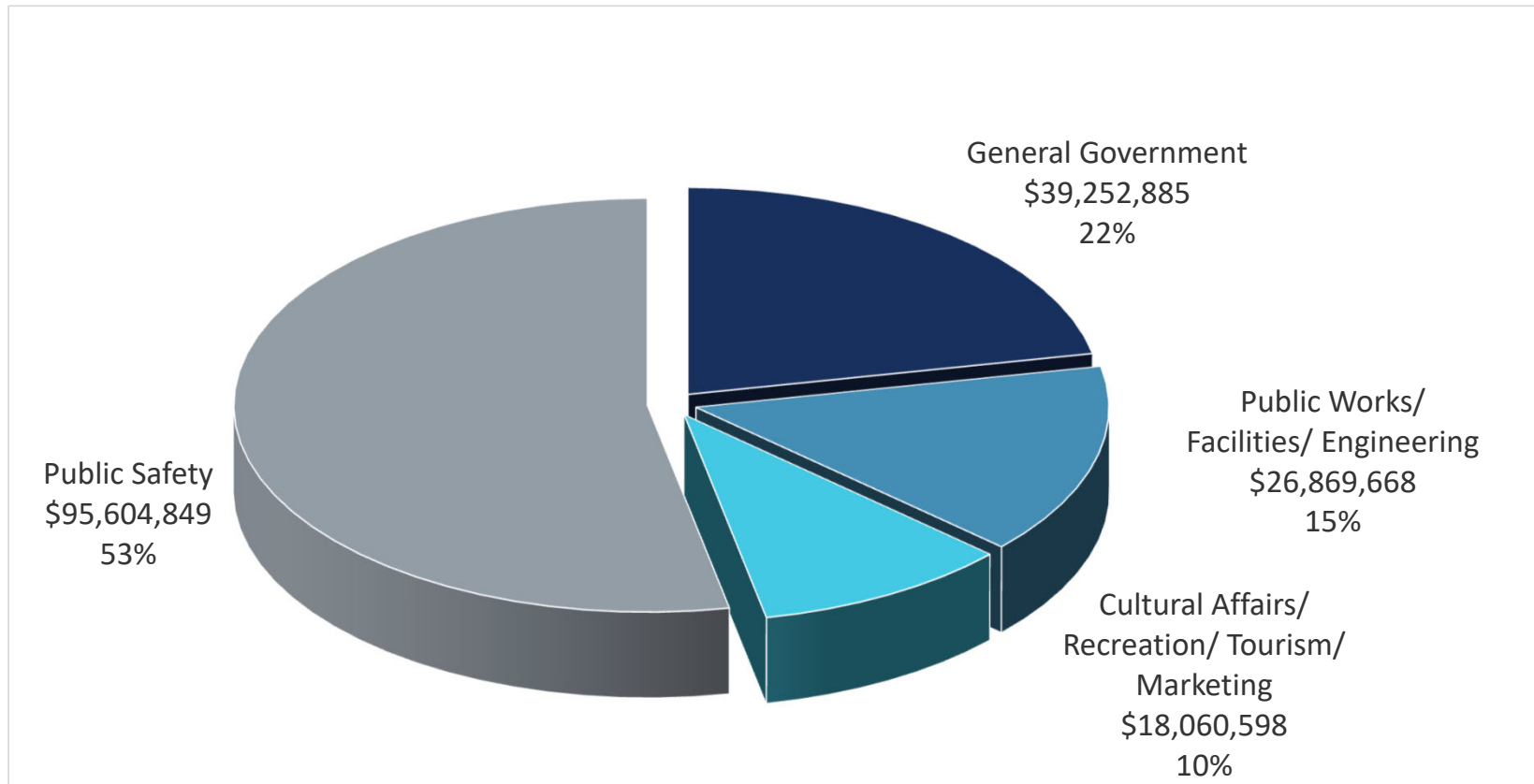
FY 2023 RECOMMENDED BUDGET: \$360,782,892

-\$72.7M



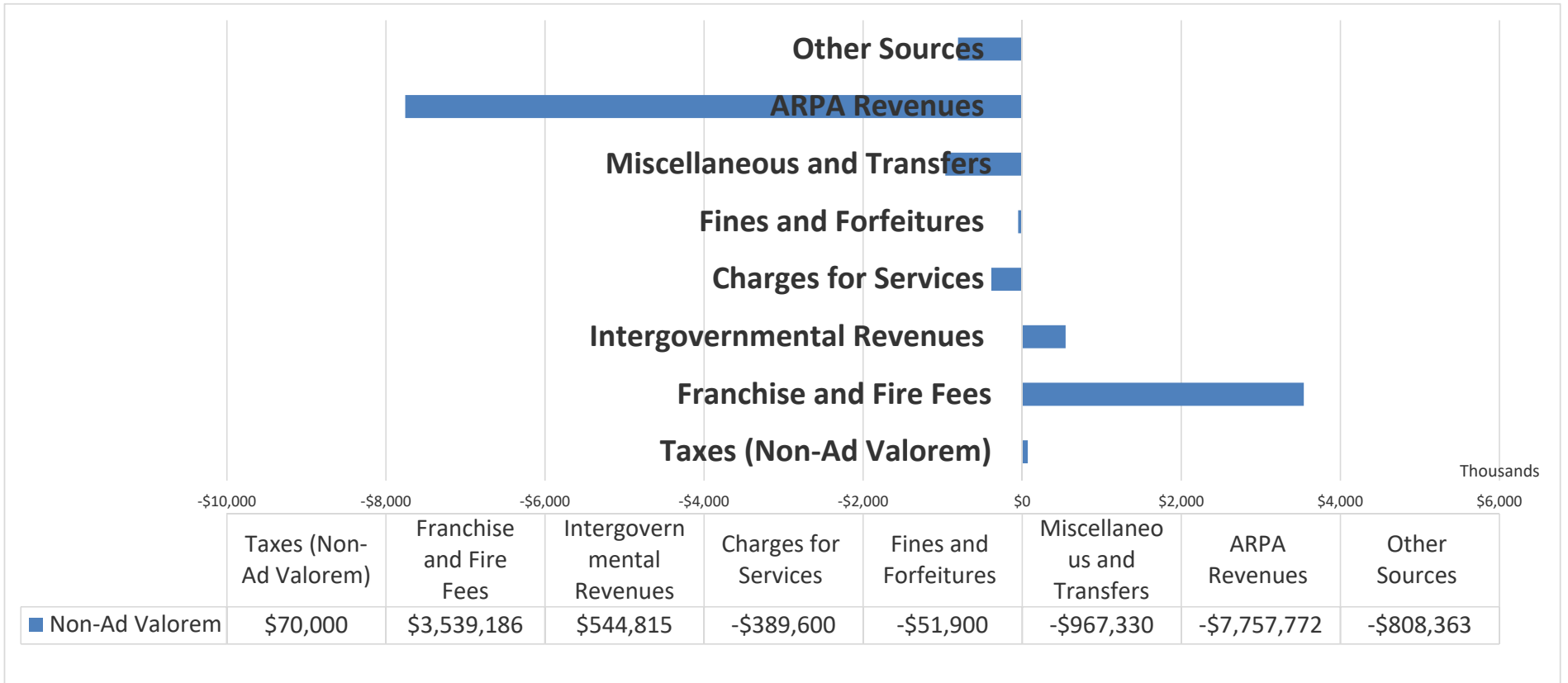
RECOMMENDED GENERAL FUND BUDGET BY FUNCTION FY 2023: \$179,788,000

+\$4.7M



FY 2023 GENERAL FUND NON-AD VALOREM REVENUES – VARIANCES: \$93,735,750

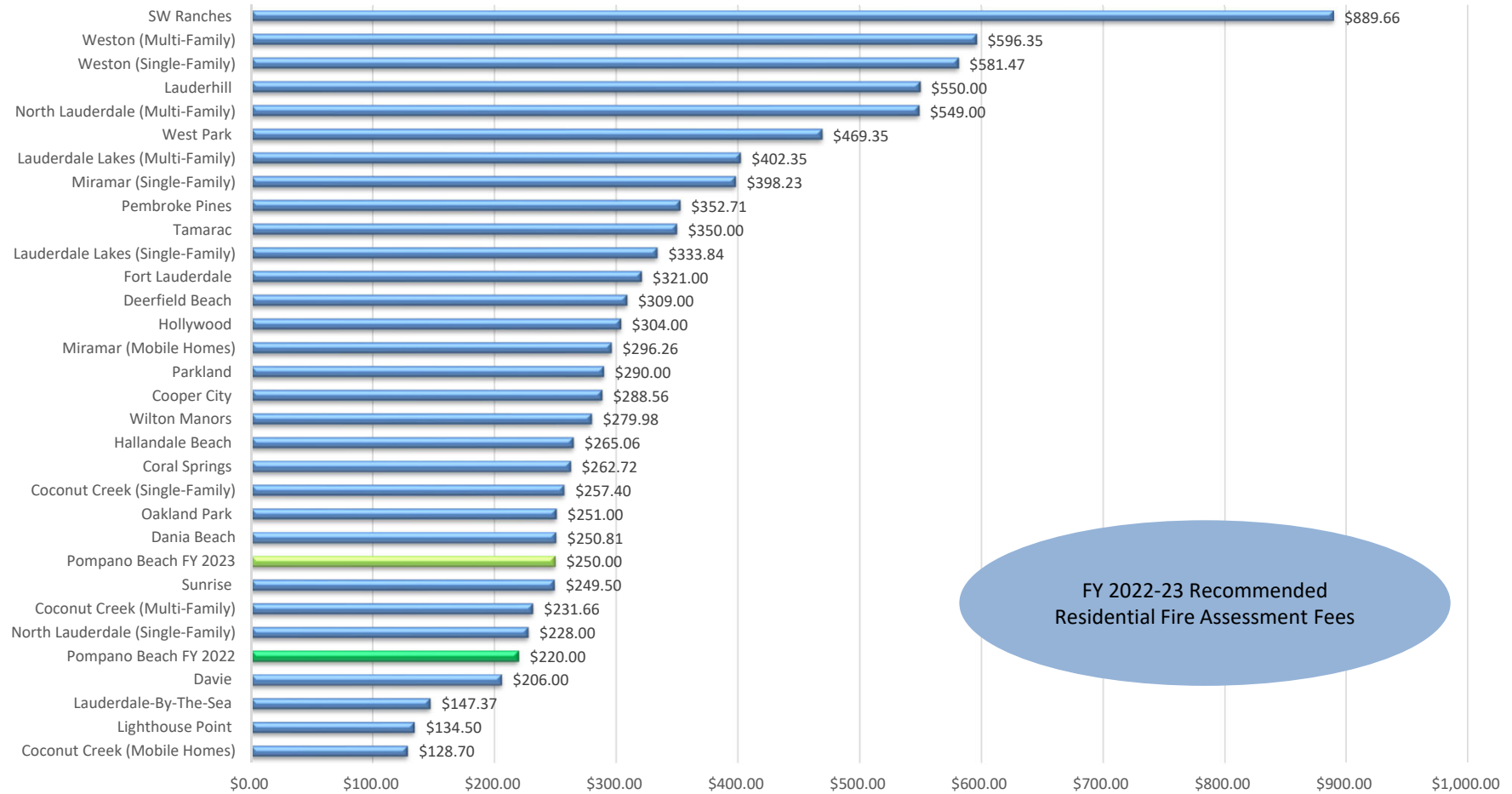
-\$5.8M



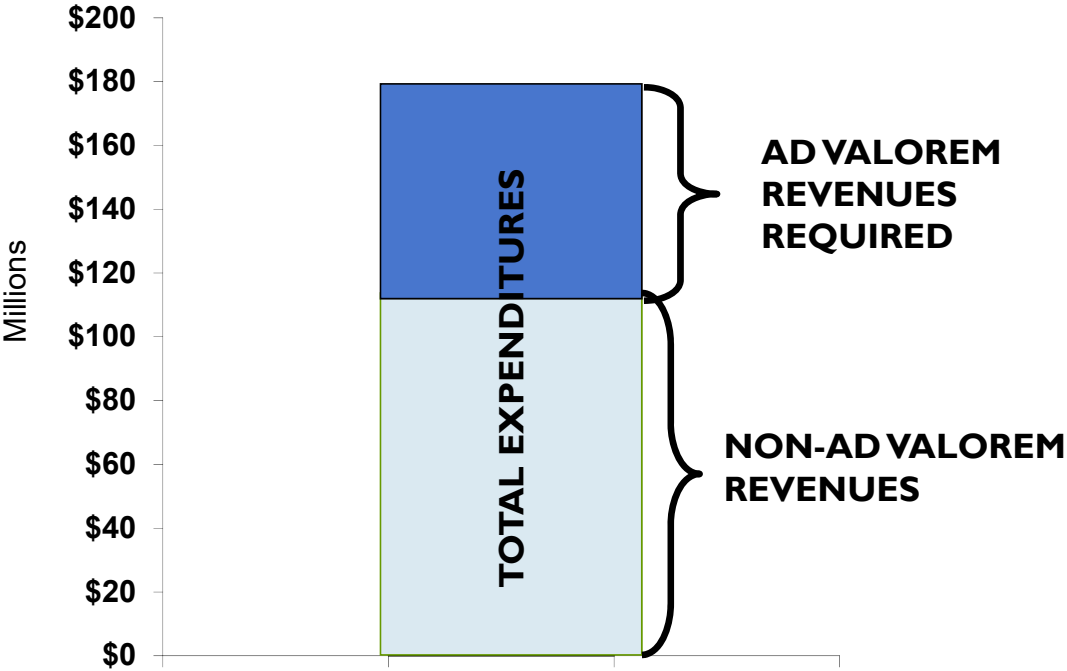
PROPOSED FIRE ASSESSMENT FEES FY 2023

Fire Assessment Fees	Adopted FY 2022	Estimated FY 2023	Variance
Residential	\$220	\$250	\$30
Rates Per Square Feet			
Commercial	\$0.314	\$0.357	\$0.043
Industrial	\$0.168	\$0.191	\$0.023
Institutional	\$0.388	\$0.441	\$0.053
Gross Total Revenues	\$22,605,688	\$26,294,305	\$3,688,617

Broward County Municipalities: Residential Fire Assessment Fees



2023 ESTIMATED MILLAGE REQUIREMENT AND AD-VALOREM REVENUES



POMPANO BEACH PROPERTY VALUATION (BILLIONS) (2015-2022 TAX ROLL YEAR)

+1.86B +12.17%



FY 2023 ESTIMATED OPERATING MILLAGE RATE AND AD-VALOREM REQUIREMENT

FY 23 Estimated Expenditures	\$179,788,000
FY 23 Estimated Revenues (Non-AdValorem)	<u>\$93,735,750</u>
	\$86,052,250

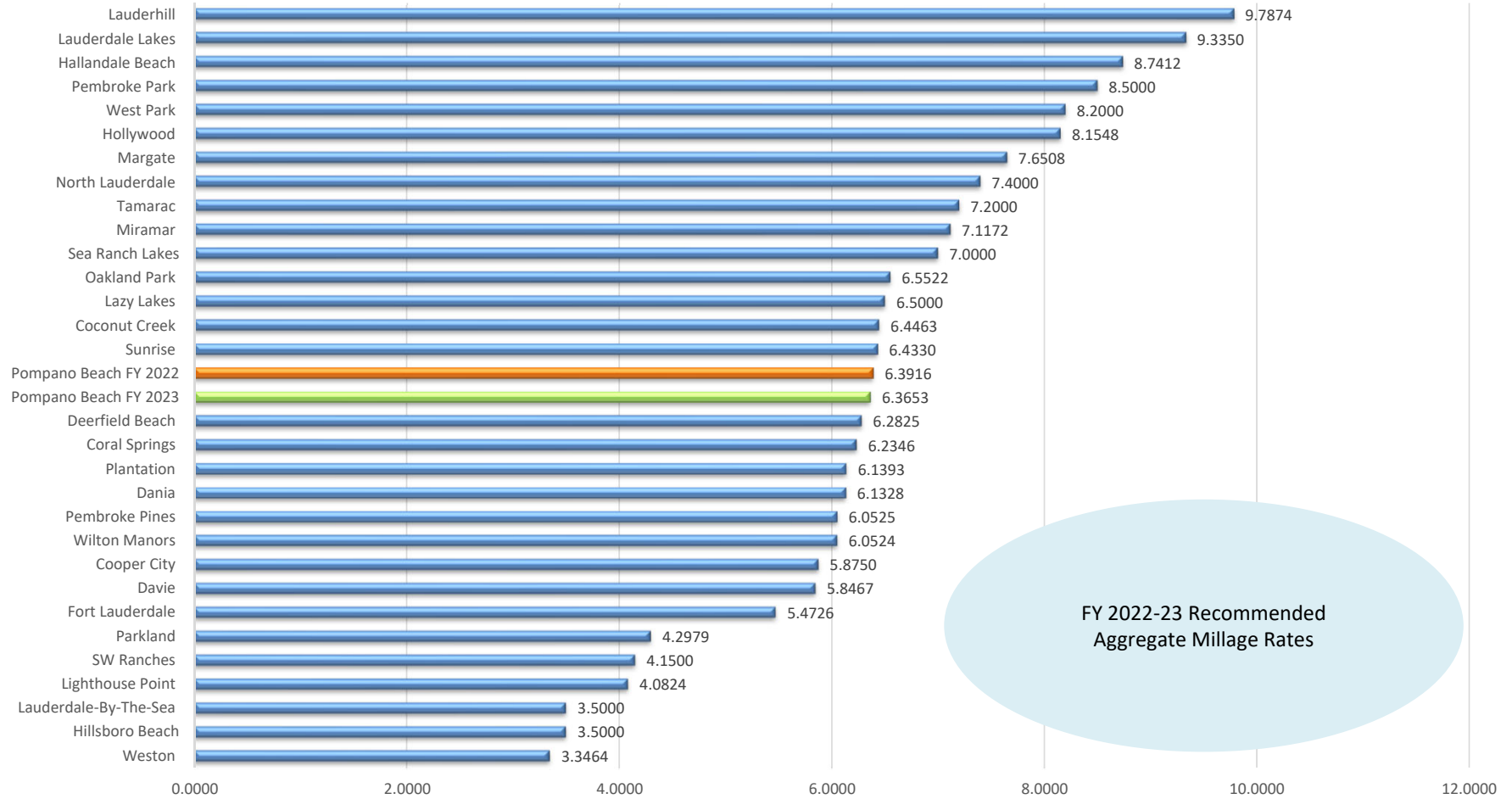
\$86,052,250 (net ad-valorem) / 16,327,151 (net mill)

= 5.2705 FY 2023 Recommended Operating Millage Rate

FY 2023 RECOMMENDED MILLAGE RATES



Millage Rates	FY 2022	FY 2023	Variance	% Change
General Operating	5.1875	5.2705	0.0830	1.60%
EMS	0.5000	0.5000	0.0000	0.0%
G.O. Bond 2018 Series	0.3969	0.3535	-0.0434	-10.93%
G.O. Bond 2021 Series	0.3072	0.2413	-0.0659	-21.45%
Aggregate Millage	6.3916	6.3653	-0.0263	-0.41%

Broward County Municipalities: Aggregate Millage Rates (operating/special districts/debt)

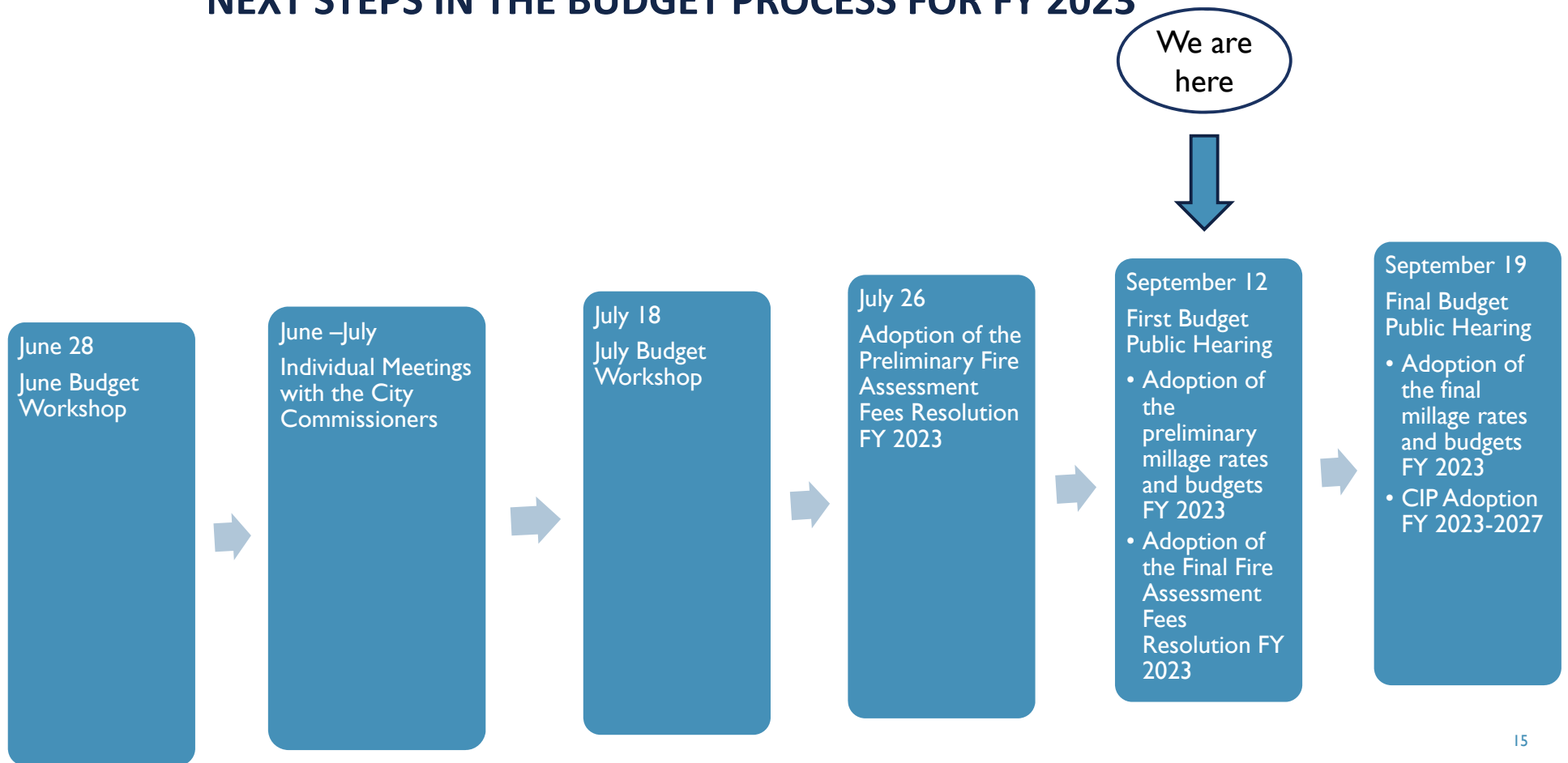


AGGREGATE MILLAGE RATE IMPACT ON PROPERTY TAXES

Assessed Value Home \$100K

	<u>FY 2022</u>	<u>FY 2023</u>	<u>Tax Impact</u>
Homesteaded Properties			
	\$320	\$318	-\$2
Non Homesteaded Properties			
	\$639	\$637	-\$2

NEXT STEPS IN THE BUDGET PROCESS FOR FY 2023



CITY OF POMPANO BEACH FIRST PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

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