

Special City Commission Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2018
(APPROVED)

9/11/2018 - Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Lake Wales City Commission was held on September 11, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at the Municipal Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson.

2. ROLL CALL

Commission Members Present: Tonya Stewart, Curtis Gibson, Terrye Howell, Robin Gibson -Deputy Mayor

Commission Member Absent: Eugene Fultz, Mayor

Staff Present: Kenneth Fields, City Manager; Albert C. Galloway,Jr. City Attorney; Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk

3. COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

4. AGENDA ITEM

4.I. PROCLAMATION - Constitution Week

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson proclaimed September 17-22, 2018 as Constitution Week and presented the Proclamation to Earline Head of the DAR.

4.II. RESOLUTION 2018-18: Final Assessment Resolution For Fire Protection Assessments

[Begin Agenda Memo]

SYNOPSIS:

The adoption of Resolution 2018-15 established the methodology used to calculate the fire assessment rates. Adoption of Resolution 2018-18 will set the final assessment rates.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission set the final Fire Protection Assessment rates and adopt Final Assessment Resolution 2018-18 providing for Fire Protection Assessments for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2018.

BACKGROUND

On June 5, 2018, the City Commission adopted Resolution 2018-15 which set the initial Fire Protection Assessment rates. Resolution 2018-15 established the Fire Protection Assessment rates as follows:

45.25% funding \$1,024,904 estimated net revenue
Property Category Assessment Rate
Single-Family Per dwelling unit \$146
Multi-Family Per dwelling unit \$72

Mobile Home Per dwelling unit \$129
Property Category Assessment Rate
Commercial Per Sq Ft \$.06
Industrial/Warehouse Per Sq Ft \$.01
Institutional Per Sq Ft \$.08

OTHER OPTIONS

Rely solely on ad valorem taxes to fund fire protection services, equipment and programs.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Fire Protection Assessment will create a dedicated funding source for fire protection services. While the Fire Protection Assessment will not completely fund fire protection services, it will fund 45.25% of the fire department's assessable budget.

[End Agenda Memo]

Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk, read **RESOLUTION 2018-18** by title only.

RESOLUTION 2018-18 Final Assessment Resolution (FY 2018-19)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WALES, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS IN THE CITY OF LAKE WALES, FLORIDA; ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF ASSESSMENT; CONFIRMING THE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION; REIMPOSING FIRE PROTECTION ASSESSMENTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKE WALES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018; APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Joe Jenkins, Fire Chief, reviewed this item.

Albert C. Galloway, Jr., City Attorney, said the Resolution was corrected to be signed by the Deputy Mayor and that it was at a Special Commission Meeting not a Regular one.

Commissioner Howell asked why the amount was changed from \$150. Chief Jenkins said that there were concerns with multi-family dwellings and mobile homes. Some additional data resulted in a lower rate of \$146 which it has been the past three years.

OPENED PUBLIC HEARING

CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve **RESOLUTION 2018-18** after a Public Hearing. Commissioner Stewart seconded the motion.

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Stewart "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Motion passed 4-0

4.III. Resolutions No. 2018-19, Final Rate Resolution – Brookshire Street Lighting District.

[Begin Agenda Memo]

SYNOPSIS:

Final Rate Resolution for the Brookshire Street Lighting District

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Commission adopt Resolution No. 2018-19 providing the Final Rate Resolution for the Brookshire Street Lighting District.

BACKGROUND

In 2010, the City of Lake Wales received a petition requesting the creation of a Street Lighting District for the Brookshire subdivision. The District includes the thirty-one (31) decorative street lighting poles. Eighty-seven (87) platted lots are within the street lighting district and the estimated annual street lighting costs are \$13,485. The estimated annual charge per plated lot is \$155.

OTHER OPTIONS

Do not approve Brookshire Street Lighting District special assessment.

FISCAL IMPACT

Annual estimated assessment revenue of \$13,485 is expected to pay all street lighting costs relating to the services, facilities and programs within the Brookshire Street Lighting District.

[End Agenda Memo]

Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk, read **RESOLUTION 2018-19** by title only.

RESOLUTION 2018-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WALES, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF STREET LIGHTING SERVICES AND FACILITIES WITHIN THE BROOKSHIRE STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF LAKE WALES, FLORIDA; ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF ASSESSMENT; CONFIRMING THE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION; REIMPOSING BROOKSHIRE STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE BROOKSHIRE STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018; APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Dorothy Ecklund, Finance Director, reviewed this item.

Commissioner Stewart asked about the empty lots if they paid it. Ms. Ecklund said every parcel pays. Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson asked if this money pays for installation or just the electric bill. Ms. Ecklund said they just cover the electric bill. Commissioner Curtis Gibson asked if the \$13,000 covered the charge. Ms. Ecklund said this is a pass through as the City pays the Electric bill and the owners pay the City. Deputy Mayor robin Gibson said this is a good service and he is a believer in special assessments.

OPENED PUBLIC HEARING

CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING

Albert C. Galloway, Jr., City Attorney, said the Resolution was corrected to be signed by the Deputy Mayor and that it was at a Special Commission Meeting not a Regular one.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve **RESOLUTION 2018-19**. Commissioner Curtis Gibson seconded the motion.

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Stewart "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Motion passed 4-0

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Mayor/Deputy Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk