

CITY COMMISSION ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION

Resolution 23-13 - (Finance) TITLE:

DESCRIPTION: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES, FACILITIES, AND PROGRAMS IN THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA; DESCRIBING THE METHOD OF ANNUALLY ASSESSING FIRE SERVICES COSTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF COOPER CITY; DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ASSESSED COSTS AND ASSESSMENT RATES FOR FIRE SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024; AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING AND DIRECTING THE PROVISION OF NOTICE THEREOF; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION:

The City Manager recommends approval of Resolution 23-13, adopting the preliminary fire assessment rate for FY24.

BACKGROUND OF ITEM:

This fire assessment was calculated using the methodology study prepared by Munilytics and adopted by the City Commission at the June 23, 2020 and updated in 2023. The City is required to submit preliminary assessment rate information from the City to the Property Appraiser for inclusion on the Trim Notice by August 4, 2023. The City contracts with the Property Appraiser's office for the preparation of the preliminary assessment roll and for the statutorily required mail notice for the public meeting at which the City Commission adopts the annual assessment resolution. The proposed resolution provides for the adoption of the initial, not-to-exceed rate schedule. Therefore, in September, the final rates adopted can be lower, but not higher than the rates adopted by this Resolution.

ANALYSIS:

For Fiscal Year 2024, the Fire cost is increasing by \$1.1million representing an 8 percent increase. During 2023, the Commission approved the updated Fire Assessment Methodology Report study prepared by Munilytics and approved a preliminary Fire Assessment at 81% of fire costs net of exemptions. For Fiscal Year 2023/2024, staff recommends a rate of 73%, which will keep the rate of \$288.56 for single family annual rate.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution No. 23 -13