

# City of Eustis

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TO: EUSTIS CITY COMMISSION

FROM: TOM CARRINO, CITY MANAGER

DATE: SEPTEMBER 18, 2025

RE: RESOLUTION NUMBER 25-62: ADOPTING A FINAL BUDGET FOR

THE FISCAL YEAR 2025/26

#### Introduction

Resolution Number 25-62 adopts the FINAL Budget for FY 2025/26 after the required public hearing.

#### **Recommended Action**

Staff recommends approval of Resolution Number 25-62.

### Background

Florida State Statutes require each taxing authority to adopt tentative and final budgets annually. The law also requires that the local governments hold a public hearing before adopting each of those budgets. The public hearings and adoption of the budget take place after the public hearing and adoption of the millage rate. The City has advertised the adoption of the final budget and the notice of tax increase prior to this final public hearing per State law.

The FY 2025/26 budget has been prepared based on Commission directives authorized at the budget workshops held in July 2025. Based on those directives, the budget was prepared using the recently adopted Tentative Millage rate of 7.3898. The budget has been prepared in compliance with the requirements of the City Charter and appropriate State Statutes and is consistent with the provisions of the City's Financial Policies adopted in 2015.

The General Fund Budget contains more expenditures than revenue for FY 2025/26. This is due to several one-time capital projects being budgeted in FY 2025/26 as well as the reduction in millage to 7.3898. The budget also includes funding for employee compensation increases, insurance increases, and the Capital Improvement Plan funding. The City has posted the budget on the City website as State Law requires. If requested, a copy will be provided to the Commission after the final adoption.

#### **Alternatives**

1. Adopt Resolution Number 25-62 and approve the budget presented as FINAL.

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2. Direct staff to make specific changes to the budget and immediately adopt the revised version as FINAL during the hearing.

## **Community Input**

There will be sufficient time for input at the public hearing held before the FINAL budget is adopted. Sufficient time was allotted for input at all the preceding budget and millage-related Commission workshops and meetings.

# **Budget and Staff Impact**

As presented, there are budgeted revenues and expenditures citywide of \$67,612,571 and \$68,436,363, respectively, estimated reserves of \$67,330,102, and fund balances totaling \$116,818,448 at the end of September 30, 2026.

# Prepared By:

Lori Carr, Finance Director

## **Reviewed By:**

Mari Leisen, Deputy Finance Director

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