

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-11

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENACRES, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A TAXABLE VALUATION AND LEVYING AN AD VALOREM TAX ON PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF GREENACRES, FLORIDA, AS OF THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 200.065 F.S., the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser has certified the tax roll for the City of Greenacres for the purpose of computing an ad valorem tax rate for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, in the preparation of the operating budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024, the City of Greenacres Council has utilized the certified taxable valuation in computing the ad valorem tax rate necessary to fund the operating budget; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that setting the millage rate as set forth herein serves a valid public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENACRES, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of setting an ad valorem tax rate for the operating budget, the effective taxable value for all real and personal property for the year 2023 was certified on July 1, 2023, to be \$2,888,498,573. The 2023 certified value was higher by \$351,009,664 (13.8%) than the 2022 final certified value of \$2,537,488,909.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of funding the operating budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024, the effective taxable value as listed above will be and is hereby taxed at the total rate of 6.300 mills.

SECTION 3. The millage rate of 6.300 mills applicable to the General Fund Levy, for Fiscal Year 2023 is 12.37% greater than the calculated rolled-back millage rate pursuant to Section 200.065(1) F.S. of 5.6067 mills that generates the same amount of property tax revenue as last year on existing real and personal property.

SECTION 4. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances.

All ordinances or parts thereof or parts of the Code conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. Severability.

If any section, part of a section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this Ordinance is for any reason held or declared to be unconstitutional, inoperative or void, such holdings of invalidity shall not affect the remaining portion of this Ordinance and it shall be construed to have been the legislative intent to pass the Ordinance without such unconstitutional, invalid or inoperative part therein, and the remainder of this Ordinance after the exclusion of such part or parts shall be deemed to be held valid as if such part or parts had not been included therein, or if this Ordinance or any of the provisions thereof shall be held inapplicable to any person, group of persons, property, kind of property, circumstances, or set of circumstances, such holdings shall not affect the applicability thereof to any other person, property or circumstances.

SECTION 6. Effective Date

The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective October 1, 2023, in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida.

Passed on the first reading this 5th day of September 2023.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on the second reading this 18th day of September 2023.

Voted:

Joel Flores, Mayor

Peter Noble, Deputy Mayor

Attest:

Voted:

Quintella Moorer, City Clerk

John Tharp, Council Member, *District I*

Voted:

Judith Dugo, Council Member, *District III*

Voted:

Susy Diaz, Council Member, *District IV*

Voted:

Paula Bousquet, Council Member, *District V*

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency:

Glen J. Torcivia, City Attorney