



TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH AGENDA MEMORANDUM

MEETING TYPE: Town Commission Meeting
MEETING DATE *November 07, 2023*
SUBMITTED BY: Lanelda Gaskins, Town Clerk's Office
SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 2023-004 (Second Reading/Public Hearing)

An Ordinance of the Town Commission of the Town of Highland Beach, Florida, calling for a Referendum of the Qualified Electors of the Town of Highland Beach to be held on March 19, 2024, as to whether the Funding Limitation of \$350,000, set forth in Section 2.01(30) of the Town of Highland Beach Charter, shall be adjusted to \$900,000 to account for the past 32 years of inflation and be adjusted annually thereafter on June 1st (beginning In 2025) in accordance with the Regional Consumer Price Index (MSA); providing for notice and advertising of the referendum; providing for referendum canvassing; providing for severability, the repeal of laws in conflict, codification, and an effective date (First Reading was October 17, 2023).

SUMMARY:

On October 17, 2023, the Town Commission discussed the Proposed Ordinance calling for a Referendum of the Qualified Electors of the Town of Highland Beach to be held on March 19, 2024, as to whether the Funding Limitation of \$350,000, set forth in Section 2.01(30) of the Town of Highland Beach Charter, shall be adjusted to \$900,000 to account for the past 32 years of inflation and be adjusted annually thereafter on June 1st (beginning In 2025) in accordance with the Regional Consumer Price Index (MSA) on first reading.

The Town Commission discussed including an additional whereas clause to read as follows: "Whereas the funding limitation of \$350,000 set forth in the Town's Charter at Section 2.01(30) was established in 1992." Commissioners David and Peters moved to approve the Proposed Ordinance with the additional Whereas clause. The motion passed unanimously 5 to 0.

Please note, the ballot summary of the proposed Charter amendment will be Referendum Question No. 2 on the official ballot, as outlined on Ordinance No. 2023-004.

Ordinance No. 2023-004 was advertised in accordance with Florida Statutes on October 28, 2023. Therefore Ordinance No. 2023-004 is before Town Commission for adoption on second/final reading.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

Ordinance No. 2023-004 and Legal Advertisement Affidavit

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Ordinance No. 2023-004 on second/final reading.