



# Budget Ordinance

## FY2027 Operating & Capital Budget

The Hillsborough Board of Commissioners ordains that the following budget ordinance is hereby adopted:

### Section 1. General Fund

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It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the General Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027:

Current and Prior Year Property Taxes	13,015,000
Local Option Sales Tax	3,408,000
Intergovernmental Revenue	1,695,500
Transfers	720,500
Investment Earnings	400,000
Licenses, Permits and Fees	125,100
Other	108,472
Fund Balance Appropriation	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	\$19,472,572

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the General Fund for the operation of the Town Government and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027 in accordance with the Chart of Accounts heretofore established for the Town of Hillsborough:

Public Safety	8,596,393
General Government	6,460,119
Public Works	3,392,695
Special Appropriations	573,365
Contingency	<u>450,000</u>
TOTAL	\$19,472,572

### Section 2. Water and Sewer Fund

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It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Water and Sewer Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027:

Licenses, Permits and Fees	14,442,000
Retained Earnings Appropriated	996,344
Investment Earnings	300,000
Other	<u>15,000</u>
TOTAL	\$15,753,344

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Water and Sewer Fund for the operation of the water and sewer utilities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027 in accordance with the Chart of Accounts heretofore established for the Town of Hillsborough:

Administration of Enterprise	3,721,977
Wastewater Treatment Plant	2,908,377
Wastewater Collection	2,130,666
Water Distribution	2,003,512
Water Treatment Plant	1,946,262
Billing and Collections	1,026,686
West Fork Eno Reservoir	1,107,299
Utilities Administration	508,565
Contingency	<u>400,000</u>
TOTAL	\$15,753,344

### Section 3. Stormwater Fund

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It is estimated that the following revenues will be available in the Stormwater Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027:

Licenses, Permits and Fees	1,133,100
Retained Earnings Appropriated	35,064
Investment Earnings	<u>25,000</u>
TOTAL	\$1,193,164

The following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Stormwater Fund for the operation of the stormwater utilities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027 in accordance with the Chart of Accounts heretofore established for the Town of Hillsborough:

Stormwater	<u>1,193,164</u>
TOTAL	\$1,193,164

### Section 4. Tax Rate

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There is hereby levied a tax of \$0.533 per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of property as listed for taxes as of January 1, 2026, for the purpose of raising the revenue listed as "Property Taxes" in the General Fund in Section I of the ordinance.

This tax rate is based on an estimated total valuation of real and personal property (excluding motor vehicles) for the purposes of taxation of \$2,317,971,000 and an estimated rate of collection of 96.5% and an estimated total valuation of motor vehicles of \$152,512,000 and an estimated rate of collection of 96.5%.

### Section 5. Encumbered Funds

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Operating funds encumbered on the financial records as of June 30, 2026, are hereby re-appropriated to this budget.

### Section 6. Fees and Charges

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There is hereby maintained a Fees and Charges Schedule for the purpose of raising revenue listed in the General Fund, Water & Sewer Fund, and Stormwater Fund, Sections I, II & III of this ordinance. See the Fees and Charges Schedule for a detailed listing.

### Section 7. Recycling

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Orange County is hereby authorized to collect and administer a fee established for the purpose of providing recycling services within the Town limits.

### Section 8. Budget Ordinance

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Copies of this ordinance should be furnished to the clerk, budget officer and finance officer to be kept on file by them for their direction in carrying out this budget.

The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, received the following vote and was duly adopted this 8th day of June in 2026.

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent or Excused:

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Mark Bell, Mayor

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Sarah E. Kimrey, Town Clerk