

## **RESOLUTION 2025 - 17**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LABELLE, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE FINAL LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF LABELLE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 - 2026 PURSUANT TO SECTION 200.065, FLORIDA STATUTES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation within the City of LaBelle, Hendry County, has been certified by the Hendry County Property Appraiser to the City of LaBelle as \$415,660,187; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the City of LaBelle ("City") has recommended an annual budget for the City for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 commencing October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, which budget relies upon a millage rate of 5.0000 mills; and

**WHEREAS**, the public hearings on the proposed budget and millage rate, as required by Section 200.065, Florida Statutes, were advertised to be held on September 11, 2025, and September 18, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of LaBelle ("City Commission") held its final public hearing on September 18, 2025 and allowed for public comments on the budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the public and all interested parties had the opportunity to address their comments to the City Commission and the City Commission has considered the comments of the public regarding the proposed millage rate; and

**WHEREAS**, having considered the comments of the public regarding the millage rate, the City Commission of the City of LaBelle desires to tentatively adopt a millage rate for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LABELLE , FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.**    Adoption of Representations. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

**Section 2.**    Final Millage Rate. The fiscal year 2025-2026 final operating millage rate is hereby adopted at 5.0000 mills (\$5.0000 per \$1,000.00 of assessed property value) which

is greater than the rollback rate of 4.8137 mills by 3.8702, and the levy of an annual tax for said year is made.

**Section 3.** Need. The final millage rate is established to provide funding for the fiscal year 2025-2026 budget and the resulting increase in ad valorem tax revenues is necessary to fund various storm water improvements, transportation improvements, environmental protection projects, the expansion of public safety operations, community aesthetics projects and other capital projects.

**Section 4.** Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

**DONE AND RESOLVED** at the Special Meeting of the City Commission of the City of LaBelle, Florida, on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025.

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Julie C. Wilkins, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Tijauna Warner, MPA, MMC, Deputy City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:**

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Derek Rooney, City Attorney

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**VOTE:**

Commissioner Holland  
Vice Mayor Ratica  
Commissioner Spratt  
Commissioner Vargas  
Mayor Wilkins

\_\_\_\_\_ (Yes)  
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