

RESOLUTION 2024 - 18

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 2024 - 2025 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 \$382,694,471; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of LaBelle ("City") has recommended an annual budget for the City for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 commencing October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025, which budget relies upon a millage rate of 5.2500 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 13, 2024, and September 27, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of LaBelle ("City Commission") held its final public hearing on September 27, 2024 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 2024-2025.

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" paragraphs 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 2024-2024 final operating millage rate is hereby adopted at 5.2500 mills (\$5.2500 per \$1,000.00 of assessed property value) which

is greater than the rolled-back rate of 4.8646 mills by 7.92%, 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 2024-2025 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 27th day of September 2024.

Julie C. Wilkins, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tijauna Warner, MMC, Deputy City Clerk

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

Derek Rooney, City Attorney

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

VOTE:

Commissioner Akin	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Ratica	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Spratt	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Vargas	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Mayor Wilkins	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)