## **RESOLUTION 2024 - <u>16</u>**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LABELLE, FLROIDA, SETTING THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 – 2025 PURSUANT TO SECTION 200.065, FLORIDA STATUTES, TOGETHER WITH A ROLL-BACK RATE; ESTABLISHING THE DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE AND TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 – 2025; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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 a public hearing on September 13, 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:

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Adoption of Representations</u>. The foregoing "Whereas" paragraphs are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

<u>Section 2</u>. <u>Tentative Millage Rate</u>. The City Commission hereby adopts a tentative millage rate of 5.2500 mills for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 of \$5.2500 per \$1,000.00 of taxable

property value within the City of LaBelle. This millage rate represents a 7.92% increase over the rollback rate of 4.8646 mills.

<u>Section 3</u>. <u>Need</u>. The tentative 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.

<u>Section 4</u>. <u>Public Hearing</u>. The second and final public hearing on the budget is scheduled for September 27, 2024, at 5:01 p.m., in the Commission Chambers at 481 West Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle , Florida 33935.

<u>Section 5</u>. <u>Effective Date</u>. 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 <u>13th</u> 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)