



Lake Park, Florida
Follow-Up Community Meeting
On the 2023 Storm water Utility Rate Study
Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Commission Chamber, Town Hall, 535 Park Avenue, Lake Park, FL 33403

SPECIAL PRESENTATION/REPORT:

1. Follow-Up Meeting Associated with the 2023 Stormwater Utility Rate Analysis.

Public Works Director Roberto Trevieso provided a presentation on the background of the study (Exhibit A).

Mr. Murry Hamilton, CPA from Raftelis, provided a financial utility rate analysis (Exhibit B).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Julie Sarcosi asked if the Equivalent Stormwater Unit would be one per household. Public Works Director Trevieso stated yes, it would be one unit per residential household.

Mayor Roger Michaud of Lake Park asked if there would be a need to revisit the rate study with future third party new construction or grant funding in order to mitigate, reduce or reallocate.

Mr. Hamilton, stated that for the purpose of the 5 years rate plan, they have not accounted for any future grants and that added costs or revenues may need to be considered. He stated that the Town may want to revisit the study at some point, based on various factors. Mayor Michaud asked about the rates in the presentation and how accurate it is. Mr. Hamilton says he believes that the Commission will be asked to adopt a maximum rate in the assessment process followed by 5 year assessments. Public Works Director Trevieso clarified that the Commission will be asked to approve the proposed rates as stated in the presentation. The rates are intended to bring the utility to self-sufficiency over a 5 year period. He stated that should the Commission not approve the recommended rates, there will need to be a follow up presentation that would remove or amend items to match the recommended rate that the Commission desires. He also explained the methodology for developing the rate study. Commissioner John Linden asked if there is a proposed minimum rate that could be considered. Mr. Hamilton stated that no, based on the needs a maximum rate would be required. Julie Sarcosi asked if assessments are considered taxes. Public Works Director Trevieso confirmed that as being correct.

ADJOURNMENT:

7:40PM

Mayor Roger D. Michaud

Town Seal

Vivian Mendez, Town Clerk

Laura Weidgans, Deputy Town Clerk

Approved on this _____ of _____, 2023