ORDINANCE 2026-15

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE BUDGET FOR THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 166.241 AND 200.065, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 166.241, Florida Statutes, mandates that the governing body of each municipality establish a fiscal year beginning October 1, of each year and ending September 30, of the following year and adopt a budget for each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Section 166.241, Florida Statutes mandates that the amount available from taxation and other sources, including amounts carried over from prior fiscal years, must equal the total appropriations for the expenditures and reserves; and

WHEREAS, Section 200.065, Florida Statutes mandates the methodology to be used by the governing body of a municipality when adopting a budget; and

WHEREAS, the budget duly adopted by the City Commission (the "Commission") for the 2025-2026 fiscal year balanced the amount available from taxation and other sources with the amount appropriated for expenditures and reserves; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Director of the City, has recommended to the Commission various and sundry line item adjustments to the 2025-2026 fiscal year budget; and

WHEREAS, in the exercise of its authority, the Commission has determined it is necessary and in the best interest of the public health, safety and general welfare of the City and its residents to make various and sundry line item adjustments to the 2025-2026 fiscal year budget, as recommended by the City's Finance Director.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA THAT:

1. The provisions set forth in the recitals to this Ordinance (whereas clauses) are hereby adopted by the Commission as the legislative findings and intent pertaining to this Ordinance.

2. The City Commission hereby approves the various and sundry line-item adjustments to the 2025-2026 fiscal year budget recommended by the City's Finance Director, a copy of which is attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof.

3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

4. If any provision of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provision and such holding shall not

affect the validity of any other provision, and to that end the provision of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

5. This Ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption.

This ordinance was moved for approval by Commissioner _____. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Anne Miller	_____ insert yes or no
Commissioner Sherri Albritton	_____ insert yes or no
Commissioner Richard Keith Nadaskay, Jr.	_____ insert yes or no
Commissioner Gary D. Smith	_____ insert yes or no
Commissioner Russell Graylin Smith	_____ insert yes or no

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

_____
Stephanie Camacho, City Clerk

CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA

By: _____
Richard Keith Nadaskay, Jr., Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Kristie Hatcher-Bolin, City Attorney

I HEREBY CERTIFY that notices of the public hearings on this ordinance were published in the Herald Advocate as required by Florida Statutes; that the foregoing ordinance was duly passed and adopted on the 9th day of November, 2026; that the first reading of said ordinance was held on the 12th day of October, 2026; that the public hearings were held on the 12th day of October, 2026; and on the 9th day of November, 2026; and that the second and final reading of said ordinances was held on the 9th day of November, 2026.

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Stephanie Camacho, City Clerk