City of South Daytona

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MEMORANDUM

To: James L. Gillis, Jr., City Manager

From: Jason E. Oliva, Finance Director

Re: Resolution No. 2023-33, adopting the Final Millage Rate for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2023, and Ending September 30, 2024.

Date: September 15, 2023

Issue: The Truth in Millage (TRIM) process informs taxpayers and the public about the legislative process by which local taxing authorities determine ad valorem (property) taxes. When levying a millage, taxing authorities must follow chapter 200 of the Florida Statutes which govern TRIM. State laws require that two formal public hearings be held in September to adopt the millage rate for the upcoming fiscal year, 2023-2024. The City Council adopted a tentative millage rate of 7.75 mills at the tentative public hearing at a meeting on September 11, 2023.

Before the adoption of the final millage rate, the Notice of Proposed Property Taxes, otherwise known as TRIM (Truth in Millage) notice, was prepared and mailed to taxpayers by the Volusia County Property Appraiser. Printed on the TRIM notice was the date of the first scheduled public hearing to adopt the tentative budget and the tentative millage rate which was approved September 11th. The City is required to provide notice of the final hearing with an advertisement containing the summary budget information along with the final millage rate and the final approved budget. This was published Friday, September 22, 2023, in the Daytona Beach News-Journal.

Solution: Resolution No. 2023-33, attached, adopts the final millage rate at 7.75 mills. The proposed budget for the fiscal year 2023-2024 is based on this millage rate which is 8.79% higher than the rolled-back rate. This percent increase ranks places South Daytona in the middle of those cities located in Volusia County.

Recommendation: Staff requests council adopt the final millage rate of 7.75 mills.

Result: The City will remain in compliance with TRIM requirements. According to Florida law, failure to meet TRIM requirements will result in loss of revenue sharing for the taxing authority.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-33

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH DAYTONA, VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE FINAL MILLAGE RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2023 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2023, the City Council adopted a tentative millage rate following a public hearing as required by Section 200.065, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 200.065, Florida Statutes, a public hearing on the final millage rate has been conducted by the City Council on September 26, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the gross taxable value for operating purposes, not exempt from taxation, has been certified by the Volusia County Property Appraiser to the City of South Daytona as \$920,556,276.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH DAYTONA OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The FY 2023-24 operating millage rate is <u>7.75</u> mills, which is greater than the rolled-back rate of <u>7.1235 mills by 8.79%</u>.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. If any section subsection or portion of this Resolution proves to be invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate or impair the validity, force, or effect of any other section or part of this Resolution.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council.

PASSED upon first and final reading at a regular meeting of the City Council held in the City of South Daytona, Florida, on the 26th day of <u>September</u>, 2023 at _____p.m.

Signed: The City Council of the City of South Daytona, Florida

The Honorable William C. Hall, Mayor

Attest:

James L. Gillis, Jr., City Manager

Approved as to form and legality:

Wade C. Vose, City Attorney