

CALL TO ORDER

A Special Call Meeting of the City Council of Marathon, Florida was held on September 13, 2022 in the City Council Chambers, 9805 Overseas Hwy., Marathon, Florida, Mayor Bartus called the Meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL - There were present:

Councilmember Steve Cook

Councilmember Luis Gonzalez

Councilmember Robyn Still

Vice Mayor Dr. Daniel Zieg

Mayor John Bartus, comprising a quorum

Also, in attendance were:

City Manager, George Garrett

City Clerk, Diane Clavier

Attorney, Steve Williams

Finance Director, Jennifer Johnson

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Zieg moved to approve the agenda

SECOND: Gonzalez

With no objection from the members of Council, Mayor Bartus declared the motion approved by unanimous consent.

Resolution 2022-97, Adopting The Tentative Millage Rate and Levy Of Ad Valorem Taxes For The City Of Marathon, Florida For The Fiscal Year 2022-23; and Providing For An Effective Date.

Jennifer Johnson explained there have been changes made to the General Fund Budget, such as the addition of parking revenues, the addition of a full time code officer, increases to legal for ongoing litigation and increases to the fire rescue transport pay to align with the new Florida requirements. Johnson suggested a few additional revisions that came about through additional review and one on one meetings with Council

members: removing \$24880 from the City Council budget for the Pigeon Key ferry service as this was discontinued at the end of June. Increase the code fine revenues \$50,000 and \$100,000 to the parking fees for the boat ramps and Sombrero Beach parking. With these changes, Johnson recommended decreasing the tentative millage rate to 2.72 mills. This millage rate is 15.04% higher than rollback rate of 2.3644 mills and will generate about 9.7 million of revenues for our general fund.

Johnson informed everyone the proposed FY23 budget includes appropriations for staff cost of living increases, employee benefit insurance increases, increased public works staff and increased professional services for climate change type studies.

Johnson advised that overall, the FY23 general fund revenues are projected to be approximately \$18.4M and expenditures at \$17.3 M, for a budget which increases unassigned reserves by approximately 1.1 million. Johnson informed everyone we are projected to end the year with \$16.7M, or 11.86 months in reserves. This is 13 days short of our 12-month reserve target in the General Fund.

Johnson conveyed the following to the Council:

Special Revenue Funds & Enterprise Funds

- The Building, Street Maintenance, Marina and Utilities Funds are budgeting to continue the existing level of services the City currently provides. With the added 7 Mile Marina budget
- \$400,000 of appropriations in the affordable housing fund to continue to the first-time home buyer loan program.
- Approximately \$1.3M for the debt service fund for payments on the City's TD bank bond & the installment payment on the 7 Mile Marina purchase.

The Capital Infrastructure budget included appropriations for;

- Bridge Improvements
- 7 Mile Park improvements
- Quay improvements
- Amphitheater Rehabilitation at Community Park
- Numerous Community Park upgrades

Bartus thanked Johnson for doing such a great job and the department heads.

Bartus called for public comments, hearing none, closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Zieg moved to approve Resolution 2022-97 with 2.72 Mills

SECOND: Cook

Vote on the Motion

Yes: Zieg, Cook, Still, Gonzalez, Bartus

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No: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None
Vote on the Motion: 5 Yes: 0 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

Resolution 2022-98 Adopting The Tentative Budget For Fiscal Year 2022-2023; and Providing For An Effective Date.

Johnson read into the record:

WHEREAS, the City has set forth the appropriations and revenue estimate for the tentative operating budget for FY 2022-2023 in the amount of \$116,909,494.

Mayor Bartus called for public comments; hearing none, closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Gonzalez moved to approve Resolution 2022-98

SECOND: Still

Vote on the Motion

Yes: Gonzalez, Still, Cook, Zieg, Bartus

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Vote on the Motion: Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Bartus adjourned the meeting at 5:13 pm by unanimous consent.

I certify the above represents an accurate summary of the Council special call budget meeting of September 13, 2022.

Diane Clavier

Diane Clavier, City Clerk

October 12, 2022

Date