

MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
July 25, 2023
3000 Bellemead Drive, Daytona Beach Shores, FL 32118

1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR

Present: Mayor Nancy Miller, Commissioner Mel Lindauer, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Richard Bryan, Vice Mayor Michael Politis
Staff: City Manager Kurt Swartzlander, City Clerk Cheri Schwab, City Attorney Becky Vose, Community Services Director Stewart Cruz, Finance Director Lory Irwin, Economic Development and Public Affairs Director Nancy Maddox, and Public Safety Director Michael Fowler.

2. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Review and discussion of Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Proposed Budget and Millage

Finance Director Lory Irwin began her budget presentation by stating that the proposed general fund budget was \$19,733,400. It is a 24% increase over last year which is mostly due to capital expenditures. The proposed millage rate is 4.588 which is the rolled back rate. Comparisons of local tax rates were shown and the impact on an average property in the city is a savings of approximately \$15.00. Budget highlights were: engineering costs for an EOC facility, resiliency study, increase PS Patrol by 2 positions and a possible 4.6% mid-year increase to the base rate, increase in contract services for inspections, vehicles, software and other various capital items. It was noted that a few items would be covered by either a grant or hurricane reimbursement funds. The sewer enterprise fund had an increase in the number of active accounts from 968 to 997. The capital items include: master station odor control, force main design and phase 1 install and slip lining. It was explained that staff would like to do a legislative ask for assistance with the sewer force main project. The city has never done a legislative ask before. The commission discussed engaging a lobbyist to assist with the legislative ask and requested money be included in the budget to do so. Staff will research this and bring it back to the commission. It was noted that the budget hearings could occur on the regularly scheduled meeting dates for September.

3. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting ended at 5:49 p.m.

MAYOR
NANCY MILLER

CITY MANAGER
KURT D. SWARTZLANDER

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK, CHERI SCHWAB