# MINUTES Budget Meeting September 28, 2015 at 6:00 PM Government Center 6601 Main Street Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Mayor Cid called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

# 2. ROLL CALL:

The Town Clerk, Gina M. Inguanzo, called the roll with the following Councilmembers present: Frank Mingo, Tim Daubert, Ceasar Mestre, Tony Lama, Nelson Rodriguez and Vice Mayor Manny Cid. Mayor Michael Pizzi was present via telephone conference.

Vice Mayor Cid recognized Mayor Pizzi's attendance to the meeting via telephone conference.

Mayor Pizzi physically joined the meeting at 6:30 pm.

### 3. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Vice Mayor Cid led the prayer.

## 4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Councilman Daubert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

#### 6. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING:

A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE MILLAGE RATE OF THE TOWN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2015 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2016, PURSUANT TO SECTION 200.065, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS NOTICE; TAX **COLLECTOR: PROVIDING** FOR **CONFLICTS**; **PROVIDING FOR PROVIDING** FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Rey)

The Associate Town Attorney, Haydee Sera, read the title of the Ordinances for Second Reading, item 6A and 6B.

Town Manager, Alex Rey, stated the following: the proposed fiscal year 2015-2016 millage rate is 2.3518. The rate is the same rate as the current year. The gross taxable value for operating purposes is two billion, six hundred ninety one million, ninety six thousand, and four hundred and twenty seven. The proposed millage rate will generate six million and thirteen thousand dollars in ad-valorem revenue budgeted at 95% collection rate. The proposed millage rate of 2.3518 is 6.87% above the roll-back rate of 2.2007. The difference between the proposed millage rate and the roll back rate is primarily due to increases in the police contract, operating and maintenance costs for two newly park facilities, as well as the allocation of funds for the public officials litigation settlement.

Vice Mayor Cid opened the Public Hearing for both Ordinances.

Mirta Mendez spoke about the budget and about the litigation costs. She hopes the litigation issue gets resolved this year.

Claudia Luces spoke in favor of the funding of all the Town's committees, of the importance of the volunteers and of the litigation costs.

Marta Diaz, Elsa Reus and Suzie Kamer thanked the Town Council for their support to the Miami Lakes Chamber Expo.

Lynn Matos thanked the Town Council for allowing them to work on the budget and for ensuring that Town committees continue having their events.

As no one else wished to speak Vice Mayor Cid closed the public hearing.

The Town Manager, Alex Rey presented the items.

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to adopt the Ordinance on second reading. The motion was seconded by Councilman Mingo. The Town Clerk called the roll and the Ordinance was adopted on second reading unanimously.

B. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-16; PROVIDING FOR EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER OF FUNDS: PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF THE ADOPTED **CAPITAL BUDGET CAPITAL** AS THE IMPROVEMENT ELEMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR **CONFLICTS: PROVIDING FOR** 

# SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Rey)

Councilman Mingo made a motion to adopt the Ordinance on second reading. The motion was seconded by Councilman Mestre. The Town Clerk called the roll and the Ordinance was adopted on second reading unanimously.

# **ADJOURMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Michael A. Pizzi, Jr, Mayor

Attest:

Gina M Inguanzo, Town Clerk