

**ORDINANCE NO. 25-339**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA APPROVING, ADOPTING, A NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS; APPROVING, ADOPTING AND RATIFYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT RATES FOR SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO SECURITY GUARD AND MULTIPURPOSE MAINTENANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018, the Town of Miami Lakes (the “Town”) operates special assessments for four security guard services; Loch Lomond Guard Gate District, Miami Lakes Section One, Royal Oaks East, and Royal Oaks Section One, and two lake maintenance districts: Lake Patricia and Lake Hilda (the “Neighborhood Service Districts”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has created advisory committees composed of members from the different Neighborhood Service Districts to aid the Town in the administration of the different Special Taxing Districts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has planned to hold public meetings with advisory committees to discuss Neighborhood Service Districts’ Budgets for fiscal year 2025-2026 prior to the adoption of this Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, in April and May 2025, the Town Council held a Special Taxing District Workshop and Regular Council Meeting, respectively, where the Council discussed the level of service and budgets required by each district; and

**WHEREAS**, if approved, Miami Lakes Section One will see a decrease in their annual assessment rate for FY 2025-26; Loch Lomond, Royal Oaks East, Lake Patricia, and Lake Hilda’s annual assessment will remain unchanged; and Royal Oaks Section One will see an increase in their annual assessment; and



**WHEREAS**, if approved, Miami Lakes Section One and Royal Oaks East will each adjust from a Level Two (2) Security Guard to a Level One (1) Security Guard; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council, as the governing body of the Special Taxing District, has a responsibility to adopt a non-ad valorem assessment roll, and set a non-ad valorem rate for all Special Taxing District, pursuant to Florida Statute § 197.3632.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Recitals.** The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2. Adoption of Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll.** The non-ad valorem assessment roll attached hereto as Exhibit “A” is hereby adopted.

**Section 3. Adoption of Non-Ad Valorem Rate for Neighborhood Service Districts.** The non-ad valorem rate for the Town’s Special Taxing Districts attached hereto as Exhibit “B,” are hereby adopted.

**Section 4. Severability.** The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this ordinance but they shall remain in effect, it being the legislative intent that the Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.



**Section 5.**     **Effective Date.** That this Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its adoption on second reading.

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## **FIRST READING**

The foregoing ordinance was offered by Vice Mayor Morera who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sanchez and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Joshua Dieguez	Yes
Vice Mayor Bryan Morera	Yes
Councilmember Juan Carlos Fernandez	Yes
Councilmember Angelo Cuadra Garcia	Yes
Councilmember Ray Garcia	Yes
Councilmember Steven Herzberg	Yes
Councilmember Alex Sanchez	Yes

Passed and adopted on first reading this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025

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## SECOND READING

The foregoing resolution was offered by Councilmember Sanchez who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Morera and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Joshua Dieguez	Yes
Vice Mayor Bryan Morera	Yes
Councilmember Juan Carlos Fernandez	Yes
Councilmember Angelo Cuadra Garcia	Yes
Councilmember Ray Garcia	Yes
Councilmember Steven Herzberg	Yes
Councilmember Alex Sanchez	Yes


Passed and adopted on second reading this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025.

  
Joshua Dieguez  
MAYOR

Attest:

  
Gina M. Inguanzo  
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

  
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