

## CITY OF APOPKA

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### **Minutes of the City Council budget hearing held on September 11, 2019, 5:15 p.m., in the City of Apopka Council Chambers.**

PRESENT: Mayor Bryan Nelson  
Commissioner Doug Bankson  
Commissioner Kyle Becker  
Commissioner Alice Nolan  
Commissioner Alexander Smith  
City Attorney Joseph Byrd  
City Administrator Edward Bass

PRESS PRESENT: John Peery - The Apopka Chief  
Reggie Connell, The Apopka Voice

**INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** John Ricketson gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Edward Bass, City Administrator, reviewed a PowerPoint presentation on the Proposed Budget FY 2019-20. He said today is the first public hearing to set the tentative millage rate and adopt the proposed budget for fiscal year 2019/2020. The final public hearing will be held on September 18, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The new fiscal year begins October 1, 2019. He reviewed budget highlights advising the proposed millage rate of 4.0376 per \$1,000 of assessed value is the same rate as the prior year. The City's tax base increased over \$273 million; providing an additional \$1 million in ad valorem tax revenues. There was no reserves or borrowing to balance the General Fund. The only new positions are two new police officers and two repurposed positions for a total of four new police officer positions. He provided an overview of the Proposed Budget for all Funds and the General Fund. He reiterated the final public hearing is on September 18, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. A copy of his presentation is on file in the Clerk's office.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak he closed the public hearing.

1. ANNOUNCE AND ADOPT TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE OF 4.0376, WHICH IS 5.92% ABOVE THE ROLLBACK RATE OF 3.8120.

Mayor Nelson announced the City of Apopka hereby proposes for FY 2019/2020 a millage rate of 4.0376 per \$1,000 of non-exempt assessed valuation. The said rate is 5.92% above the rollback rate of 3.8120 per \$1,000 of non-exempt assessed valuation as computed by Florida Statute 200.065.

**MOTION by Commissioner Nolan and seconded by Commissioner Bankson to set the tentative millage rate at 4.0376, which is 5.92% above the rollback rate of 3.8120. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, Smith, and Nolan voting aye.**

2. ADOPT PROPOSED BUDGET, WHICH INCLUDES THE BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS RESULTING FROM WORKSHOPS.

Mayor Nelson announced that the City Administrator recommends City Council approve the first reading of the tentative revenues, and expenditures for the City's fiscal year budget commencing on October 1, 2019, and ending September 30, 2020 for all funds.

**MOTION by Commissioner Nolan and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the tentative FY 2019/2020 Budget. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, Smith, and Nolan voting aye.**

3. ANNOUNCE FINAL MILLAGE RATE & BUDGET HEARING

Mayor Nelson announced the City of Apopka will hold the final Millage Rate and Budget Hearing for FY 2019/2020 on September 18, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Bryan Nelson, Mayor

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Linda F. Goff, City Clerk