



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

October 13, 2026

MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 14, 2026 FIRST PUBLIC HEARING

Commissioner Mendolera opened the meeting at 5:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Silent Prayer

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Lienesch, Commissioner Schleiffer, Commissioner Mendolera, Commissioner Williams, and Commissioner Maas were present.

DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD ON THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE AND TENTATIVE BUDGET

PUBLIC INPUT ON THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE AND TENTATIVE BUDGET ONLY -
None.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM 1 – ADOPT A TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE OF 2.288 TO LEVY AD VALOREM TAXES OF \$27,941,607 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to set the tentative millage rate at 2.288. Commissioner Maas seconded, all were in favor, motion carried. Commissioner Mendolera read Resolution No. 2026-04.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM 2 – ADOPT A TENTATIVE BUDGET OF \$54,005,052 REQUIRING A LEVY OF AD VALOREM TAXES OF \$27,941,607 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027.

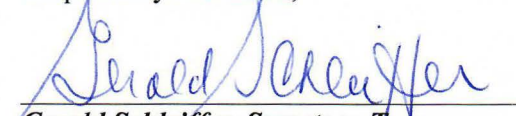
Commissioner Lienesch made a motion to adopt the tentative budget of \$54,005,052. Commissioner Schleiffer seconded, all were in favor, motion carried. Commissioner Mendolera read Resolution No. 2026-05.

SET, DATE, TIME, AND PLACE FOR FINAL HEARING

The Final Hearing will be held on Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 5:01 p.m. at the Estero Fire Rescue Administrative Complex, 21500 Three Oaks Parkway, Estero, Florida 33928.

Commissioner Maas made a motion to adjourn the First Public Hearing. Commissioner Lienesch seconded, all were in favor, motion carried. The First Public Hearing was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Gerald Schleiffer, Secretary-Treasurer