



City of North Port

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-24

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE AD VALOREM MILLAGE RATE AND ROLLED-BACK RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2025 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2026; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes Section 166.211(1) and Article VII, Section 9 of the State Constitution authorize municipalities to adopt a millage rate each fiscal year and to levy ad valorem taxes on taxable real property within the municipality; and

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes Chapter 200 provides a procedure for the adoption of ad valorem tax and millage rates and Florida Statutes Section 200.001(7) provides that municipalities may fix millage rates by resolution or ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager and staff have prepared a budget and have computed a millage rate necessary to fund the budget, excluding the portion of the budget to be funded from sources other than ad valorem taxes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1 – FINDINGS

- 1.01 The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated in this ordinance by reference.
- 1.02 Pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 166.041(4)(c), a business impact estimate was not required because this ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget.
- 1.03 The City Commission held public hearings at first and second reading of this ordinance. The general public was provided an opportunity to make comments and ask questions prior to the adoption of this ordinance.
- 1.04 This ordinance was adopted at a duly-noticed public meeting held after 5:00 p.m. on a weekday.

SECTION 2 – CERTIFICATION AND ADOPTION

- 2.01 The general municipal millage rate and tax levy for the City of North Port, Florida for the Fiscal Year is 3.7667 mills, which is \$3.7667 per \$1,000.00 of assessed property within the City. This millage rate is certified to the Property Appraiser and the Tax Collector of Sarasota County, Florida, to be levied for the City's general government operating and capital purposes for the Fiscal Year.
- 2.02 The general municipal millage rate is 0.47% higher than the rolled-back rate of 3.7491 mills, which is \$3.4791 per \$1,000.00 of assessed property within the City.

SECTION 3 – CONFLICTS

- 3.01 In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this ordinance and any other ordinance, in whole or in part, the provisions of this ordinance will prevail to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 4 – SEVERABILITY

- 4.01 If a court of competent jurisdiction finds that any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this ordinance is for any reason invalid or unconstitutional, that provision will be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the ordinance.

SECTION 5 – EFFECTIVE DATE

- 5.01 This ordinance takes effect on October 1, 2025.

READ BY TITLE ONLY at first reading by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, in public session on September 4, 2025.

ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, on the second and final reading in public session on September 18, 2025.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

PHIL STOKES
MAYOR

ATTEST

HEATHER FAUST, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS

MICHAEL GOLEN, CPM
INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY