

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

## TO IMPOSE AND PROVIDE FOR COLLECTION OF

### FIRE PROTECTION AND

### SOLID WASTE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida will conduct a public hearing to consider imposing a fire protection special assessment for the provision of fire protection services, and for solid waste services special assessments within the Town of Southwest Ranches for Fiscal Year 2023, commencing on October 1, 2022.

The hearing will be held at **6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 12, 2022**, at the Southwest Ranches Council Chambers, 13400 Griffin Road, Southwest Ranches, Florida, for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed assessments. All affected property owners have a right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections with the Town Council within 20 days of this notice.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Town Council with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the Town Clerk's office at (954) 434-0008, no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last business day prior to the date of the hearing.

The assessment for each parcel of property will be based upon each parcel's classification and the total number of billing units attributed to that parcel. The following tables show the highest assessment rates the Town Council could impose on the tax bill for FY 2022-2023.

Maximum Proposed Fire Assessment Rates for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Property Category	Maximum Proposed Rate Per Unit Indicated	
Residential	Rate per Dwelling Unit	\$ 889.66
Non-Residential	Rate per Square Foot Building Area Rate per Acre	\$ 0.8633 \$ 146.68
Combined Non-Residential		
Acreage		

Maximum Proposed Solid Waste Assessment Rates for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Total Solid Waste Assessment per Parcel will equal the Bulk Waste Assessment Component calculated per residential parcel plus the Household Waste Assessment Component per Dwelling Unit on each residential parcel.	
Bulk Waste Assessment Component	
Rate Class (based on parcel size)	Rate per Residential Parcel
A : less than or equal to 41,200 sq. ft.	\$ 421.95
B : 41,201 – 46,999 sq. ft.	\$ 472.20
C : 47,000 – 62,999 sq. ft.	\$ 584.90
D : 63,000 – 95,999 sq. ft.	\$ 604.30
E : 96,000 - 106,999 sq. ft.	\$ 698.55
F : 107,000 sq. ft. and larger	\$ 874.44
Household Waste Assessment Component	
	Rate per Dwelling Unit
	\$ 540.53

Copies of relevant ordinances and resolutions (including the Fire Protection Assessment Ordinance No. 2001-09, Preliminary Fire Services Assessment Resolution No. 2022-072, Solid Waste Assessment Ordinance No. 2002-08 and Preliminary Solid Waste Assessment Resolution No. 2022-073) and the Preliminary Assessment Rolls for the Fire Services Assessment and the Solid Waste Assessment for the upcoming fiscal year are available for inspection at the Town Clerk's office located in Town Hall, 13400 Griffin Road, Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida.

The fire and solid waste assessments will be collected on the ad valorem property tax bill which will be mailed in November 2022 as authorized by section 197.3632, Florida Statutes. Failure to pay the assessments will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result in a loss of title.

If you have any questions, please contact the Town of Southwest Ranches at (954) 434-0008, Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Russell Muñiz, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk

