

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-011**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026, COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2025, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2026; PROVIDING FOR A BUDGET BASIS; PROVIDING FOR EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER OF FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. {Approved on First Reading September 15, 2025}**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Southwest Ranches is a municipality located in Broward County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held on the tentative millage and budget on Monday, September 15, 2025, at 6:00 P.M.; and

**WHEREAS**, a Public Hearing on the Town of Southwest Ranches' final budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 was held at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 25, 2025, at the Southwest Ranches Council Chambers, 13400 Griffin Road, Southwest Ranches, Florida, 33330; and

**WHEREAS**, the amount available from taxation and other revenues equals the total appropriations for expenditures and fund balance/reserves.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA THAT THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE IS CREATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TOWN CHARTER:**

**Section 1: Budget Adoptions.** The Town of Southwest Ranches budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "A," is hereby approved and adopted and shall become effective at the beginning of the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year, and the Town's funds may be expended commencing October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026.

**Section 2: Budget Basis.** The proposed expenditures in the budget are as shown in the budget and by reference made a part hereof. The budget is based upon the gross taxable value of real and personal property of \$2,787,778,824.

**Section 3: Expenditure of Funds.** No funds of the Town shall be expended except pursuant to duly approved appropriations or for the payment of bonds,



notes, or other indebtedness duly authorized by the Council and only from such funds so authorized.

**Section 4: Carryover of Funds.** Funds of the Town's current Fiscal Year 2024-2025 adopted budget as well as budget amendments pursuant to subsequent resolutions as indicated in Section 5 of this Ordinance not expended during Fiscal Year 2024-2025 may be used and expended during subsequent fiscal years.

**Section 5: Amendments.** The Town of Southwest Ranches budget for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026, may be amended, if required, by a Resolution of the Town Council.

**Section 6: Notice.** The Town Clerk or designee is directed to forward certified copies of this Ordinance to the Broward County Property Appraiser, the Broward County Revenue Collector, and the Florida Department of Revenue.

**Section 7: Severability.** If any one or more of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be held contrary to any express provision of law or contrary to the policy of express law, though not expressly prohibited or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such provision shall be null and void and shall be separate from the remaining provisions, and shall in no way affect the validity of all other provisions of this Ordinance.

**Section 8: Conflict.** That all Sections or parts of Sections of the Code of Ordinances or parts of Ordinances, and all Resolutions, or parts of Resolution, in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 9: Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED ON FIRST READING** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025 on a motion made by Council Member Kuczenski and seconded by Council Member Jablonski.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED ON SECOND READING** this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025 on a motion made by C/m JABLONSKI and seconded by V/m HARTMANN.

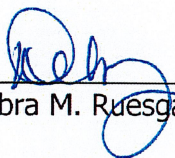
**[Signatures on Following Page]**

Breitkreuz	<u>YES</u>
Hartmann	<u>YES</u>
Allbritton	<u>YES</u>
Jablonski	<u>YES</u>
Kuczenski	<u>YES</u>

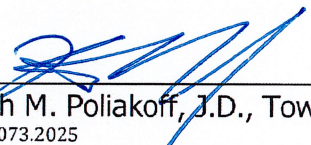
Ayes	<u>5</u>
Nays	<u>0</u>
Absent	<u>0</u>

  
Steve Breitkreuz, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Debra M. Ruesga, CMC, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

  
Keith M. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney  
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