RESOLUTION NO. 2019 – 060

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A FIRE ASSESSMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE INPUT INTO THE METHODOLOGY UTILIZED FOR THE TOWN'S ANNUAL FIRE SERVICES ASSESSMENT; APPOINTING THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, enacted Ordinance No. 2001-09 (the "Ordinance"), which authorizes the imposition of Fire Service Assessments for fire services, facilities, and programs against Assessed Property located within the Town; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 2001-09, the imposition of a Fire Services Assessment for fire services, facilities, and programs is an equitable and efficient method of allocating and apportioning fire assessed costs among parcels of Assessed Property; and

WHEREAS, the current methodology used to apportion Fire Assessed Costs among parcels of Assessed property was last analyzed in 2011 as part of the Fire Protection Assessment Report ("Report") prepared by Willdan Financial Services; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council believes that a new Report is warranted; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to engage the services of a consultant to draft a new report, which will require input from the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

SECTION 1. The above-referenced recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. A Fire Assessment Review Committee is hereby created to help provide input into the methodology utilized for the creation of a new Fire Protection Assessment Report.

SECTION 3. The Town of Southwest Ranches Fire Assessment Review Committee shall consist of the following members appointed by the Town Council.

- 1. James Starkweather
- 2. Jennifer Dachton
- 3. Jim Albritton
- 4. Steve Breitkreuz
- 5. George Morris
- 6. John Eastman
- 7. Fred Cox
- 8. Lori Parrish
- 9. Gay Chaples
- 10. Mike Fisikelli

SECTION 4. Since a new Fire Protection Assessment Report must be finalized during the first quarter of 2020, this Fire Assessment Review Committee shall sunset no later than February 29, 2020.

SECTION 5. In carrying out their responsibilities, the Fire Assessment Review Committee shall seek to find a methodology that is equitable to all property classification segments of the Town, and that contemplates full recovery of the costs associated with providing fire protection services.

Section 6. The above-referenced recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 7: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Signatures on Following Page

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest

Ranches, Florida, this 12th day of September 2019, on a motion by _and seconded by _ McKay Jablonski Ayes Nays Fisikelli Absent Hartmann **Abstaining** Schroeder Doug McKay, Mayor Attest Russell Muniz Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk Approved as to Form and Correctness: Keith Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney 35848349.1