

Palm Beach County

FY 2026 Tentative Budget



FY 2026 Tentative Budget Summary Information



O Proposed Millage Rates and Public Hearing Dates

Public Hearing Dates						
1 st Public Hearing	September 9, 2025	5:05 PM				
2 nd Public Hearing	September 16, 2025	5:05 PM				

Millage Rates	Millage Rates			
Countywide	4.5000	Countywide Voted Debt	0.0330	
Library	0.5491	Library Voted Debt	0.0000	
Fire Rescue MSTU	3.4581		<u> </u>	
Jupiter Fire MSTU	1.7251			
Aggregate Millage Rate	6.2862			



Summary of Changes Since June Workshop

Items Used to Balance	Amount	Net (Shortfall)/ Surplus		
June Out of Balance		\$ -		
2026 Additional Property Values (Net of Statutory Reserves)	(6,532,930)	(6,532,930)		
Increase to CRAs	204,480	(6,328,450)		
Reduce Park's Revenue Supplemental	76,000	(6,252,450)		
Decrease Major Revenues (Net of Statutory Reserves)	4,275,000	(1,977,450)		
Increase General Fund Reserves	1,977,450	\$-		

Property Values and Millage Rates



Ad Valorem Taxes and Millage Rates

		Fisca	Fiscal Year 2025 - 2		2025 - 2026 Cho	5 - 2026 Change	
		2025		2026		Amount	%
Countywide							
Taxes	General Voted Debt	\$ 1,431,050,351 12,601,861	\$	1,543,296,825 11,324,746	\$	112,246,474 (1,277,115)	7.8% -10.1%
	Total	\$ 1,443,652,212	\$	1,554,621,571	\$	110,969,359	7.7%
Millage Rate	General Voted Debt Total	 4.5000 0.0396 4.5396		4.5000 0.0330 4.5330			
Library							
Taxes	General Voted Debt	\$ 92,144,114 1,644,532	\$	99,430,532 -	\$	7,286,418 (1,644,532)	7.9% -100.0%
	Total	\$ 93,788,646	\$	99,430,532	\$	5,641,886	6.0%
Millage Rate	General Voted Debt	0.5491 0.0098		0.5491			
	Total	 0.5589		0.5491			
Main Fire Reso	cue MSTU						
Taxes		\$ 446,252,965	\$	481,256,113	\$	35,003,148	7.8%
Millage Rate		3.4581		3.4581			
Jupiter Fire Re	scue MSTU						
-		\$ 28,481,248	\$	31,889,634	\$	3,408,386	12.0%
Taxes Millage Rate		1.6488		1.7251			

Summary of General Obligation Bonds

Issue/Purpose	Amount Issued	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Outstanding as of 10/1/25	Annual Debt Payments	FY 2026 Millage Rate
eneral Obligation Bonds - Countywide						
8.0M Refunding Bonds, Series 2014						
Refund a portion of outstanding Series 2006, Waterfront Access	28,035,000	8/19/14	8/1/26	3,350,000	3,450,500	0.0101
94.9M Taxable General Obligation Bonds, Series	2024					
To finance workforce and affordable housing projects	94,940,000	7/3/24	6/1/44	92,215,000	7,537,054	0.0229
otal - General Obligation Bonds	\$122,975,000			\$95,565,000	\$10,987,554	0.0330

O History of Changes in Property Values and Millage Rates





Millage Rate Impact on Homestead Property

		Tentative	FY 2025 - FY 2026			
	FY 2025	FY 2026	Amount	%		
Property Values						
Median Assessed Value	\$ 212,640	\$ 218,781	\$ 6,141	2.9%		
Homestead Exemptions	(50,000)	(50,722)	(722)	0.0%		
Median Taxable Value	\$ 162,640	\$ 168,059	\$ 5,419	3.3%		
Countywide Millage Rates						
Operating	4.5000	4.5000	-	0.0%		
Voted Debt Service	0.0396	0.0330	(0.0066)	(16.7%)		
Total	4.5396	4.5330	(0.0066)	(0.1%)		
Property Taxes						
Operating	\$ 731.88	\$ 756.27	\$ 24.39			
Voted Debt Service	6.44	5.55	(0.89)			
Total	\$ 738.32	\$ 761.82	\$ 23.50	3.2%		
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O Millage Rate Impact – Different Property Values

Property Value	FY 2025 Millage FY 2026 Tento		Increase	ease	
(Before \$50k/\$50,722 Exemption)	4.5000	4.5000	Amount	%	
\$385,000	\$1,507.50	\$1,554.29	\$46.79	3.1%	
\$500,000	\$2,025.00	\$2,086.73	\$61.73	3.0%	
\$1,000,000	\$4,275.00	\$4,401.71	\$126.71	3.0%	





For the Future



Future Funding/Budget Issues

Maximum Millage Rate

For FY 2026, maintaining the current millage rate will require a super majority vote since the proposed millage rate is greater than the maximum millage rate. Based on projected property values increasing 6% for FY 2027 through FY 2030 and per capita Florida income changing per current state estimates, FY 2027 would require a super majority vote, but the outer years would only require a simple majority vote.

	FT 2026	FT 2027	FT 2028	FT 2029	FT 2030
Roll-Back Rate	4.2413	4.3186	4.3154	4.3124	4.3096
Adopted Millage Rate	4.5000	4.5000	4.5000	4.5000	4.5000
Maximum Millage (MM) Rate					
Prior Year	4.4010	4.4326	4.4844	4.5264	4.5388
Roll-Back MM	4.2413	4.3186	4.3154	4.3392	4.3492
Per Capita Florida Income	4.51%	3.84%	4.89%	4.60%	4.11%
Majority Vote MM	4.4326	4.4844	4.5264	4.5388	4.5280
2/3 Vote Maximum Millage *	4.8759	4.9328	4.9790	4.9927	4.9808

FY 2027

FY 2028

FV 2029

EV 2030

FY 2024

* Unanimous vote above this amount





Summary

Requests Included

 Parks Supplemental Revenue Reduction for Youth Sports - \$76k

Requests not Included

- Riverbend Park Supplemental Request -\$126k + 1 position
- Animal Care and Control Supplemental Request - \$104k + 2 positions
- Human Resources Training Supplemental Request - \$100k + 1 position
- Parks Security Supplemental Request (PBSO) - \$1.1 million



New Requests – not included

• Boca Helping Hands - \$150k



Questions/Comments

