



# UMATILLA CITY COUNCIL BUDGET HEARING MEETING

September 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Council Chambers, 1 S. Central Avenue, Umatilla, Florida 32784

## AGENDA

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*Please silence your electronic devices*

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **ROLL CALL**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

*At this point in the meeting, the Umatilla City Council will hear questions, comments and concerns from the public.*

*Please write your name and address on the paper provided at the podium. Zoning or code enforcement matters which may be coming before the Council at a later date should not be discussed until such time as they come before the Council in a public hearing. Comments, questions, and concerns from the public regarding items listed on this agenda shall be received at the time the Council addresses such items during this meeting. Public comments are generally limited to three minutes.*

### **PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS**

1. Resolution No. 2025-22, Final Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2025-2026
2. Resolution No. 2025-23, Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Individuals with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk at least two (2) working days in advance of the meeting date and time at (352)669-3125. F.S. 286.0105 If a person decides to appeal any decision or recommendation made by Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he will need record of the proceedings, and that for such purposes, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Any invocation that may be offered before the official start of the Council meeting is and shall be the voluntary offering of a private citizen to and for the benefit of the Council pursuant to Resolution 2014-43. The views and beliefs expressed by the invocation speaker have not been previously reviewed or approved by the Council and do not necessarily represent their individual religious beliefs, nor are the views or beliefs expressed intended to suggest allegiance to or preference for any particular religion, denomination, faith, creed, or belief by the Council or the City. No person in attendance at this meeting is or shall be required to participate in any invocation and such decision whether or not to participate will have no impact on his or her right to actively participate in the public meeting.

**The City of Umatilla is an equal opportunity provider and employer.**



## **CITY OF UMATILLA AGENDA ITEM STAFF REPORT**

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**DATE: July 28, 2025**

**MEETING DATE: September 16, 2025**

**SUBJECT: Resolution No. 2025-22, Final Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

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### **BACKGROUND SUMMARY:**

The City of Umatilla's Tentative Millage for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 was set at 7.2377 during the meeting held on September 11, 2025. Under Florida Statute, if a local government does not adopt the roll-back rate, the government is required to advertise a Notice of Proposed Tax Increase. Since the City's proposed millage rate is equal to the roll-back rate, only a Notice of Budget Hearing is required to be advertised.

The roll-back rate calculates taxable property values which generate the same total revenue as in the previous year. The roll-back rate this year is 7.2377.

The TRIM notices mailed to property owners reflected a millage rate of 7.2377 and the proposed Fire Assessment rates. The newspaper advertisement reflected the same millage rate of 7.2377 as well as the reduced Fire Assessment rates as approved on September 11, 2025.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Adopt Resolution 2025 – 22 setting the Final Millage Rate of the City of Umatilla for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 at 7.2377 which is the rolled-back rate.

### **FISCAL IMPACTS:**

Millage of 7.2377 generates \$2,295,322

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution No. 2025-22, Final Millage FY 2025-2026
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**RESOLUTION 2025 – 22**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UMATILLA, LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE AD VALOREM MILLAGE RATE FOR THE CITY OF UMATILLA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026, PROVIDING FOR COLLECTION OF TAXES, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, a portion of the revenue for the City's Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026 must be raised from the levy of an ad valorem tax on each dollar of taxable property in the City of Umatilla, Florida; and,

**WHEREAS**, the gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation within Lake County has been certified by the Lake County Property Appraiser to the City of Umatilla as \$317,134,147.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Umatilla of Lake County, Florida, that:

1. The Fiscal Year 2025-2026 tentative operating millage for the City of Umatilla is 7.2377 mills which is the rolled-back rate.
2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**DULY ADOPTED** at a Public Hearing this 16th day of September, 2025, by the City Council of the City of Umatilla, Lake County, Florida.

**TIME ADOPTED:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Christopher R. Creech  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Approved as to Form:  
STONE & GERKEN, PA

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Jessica Burnham, CMC, FCRM  
City Clerk

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Jennifer Cotch  
City Attorney



## **CITY OF UMATILLA AGENDA ITEM STAFF REPORT**

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**DATE:** August 27, 2025

**MEETING DATE:** September 16, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Resolution No. 2025-23, Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

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### **BACKGROUND SUMMARY:**

The Tentative Budget was adopted by the Council on September 11, 2025. No changes have been made since then.

The next step in the process is the adoption of the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Adoption of Resolution 2025 - 23, Final Budget of the City of Umatilla for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 at \$22,746,709 of which the total operating budget is \$15,408,630.

### **FISCAL IMPACTS:**

N/A

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution No. 2025-23, Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026
  2. Exhibit A
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## **RESOLUTION 2025 – 23**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UMATILLA, LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Umatilla of Lake County, Florida, held a public hearing in the Umatilla City Council Chambers, on September 16, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. as required by Florida Statute 200.065; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Umatilla of Lake County, Florida, set forth the appropriations and revenue estimates included in Exhibit A for the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 in the amount of \$22,746,709, or as much thereof as may be authorized by law are required for the operation of the government of the City of Umatilla.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Umatilla, Lake County, Florida, that:

1. The Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Final Budget is adopted by the Umatilla City Council.
2. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to maintain and amend the budget so as to reflect the anticipated revenue and the appropriation of, and the expenditure of, all grant funds and casualty loss insurance reimbursements committed to or received by the city subsequent to September 16, 2025 and prior to October 1, 2025, in accordance with direction of the City Council as to the appropriation and expenditure of such grants as and when received.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**DULY ADOPTED** at a Public Hearing this 16th day of September, 2025, by the City Council of the City of Umatilla, Lake County, Florida.

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Christopher R. Creech  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Approved as to Form:  
STONE & GERKEN, PA

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Jessica Burnham, CMC, FRMA  
City Clerk

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Jennifer Cotch  
City Attorney

# EXHIBIT A



## CITY OF UMATILLA

### FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

#### BUDGET SUMMARY

|                                                               | GENERAL<br>FUND | SPECIAL<br>REVENUE<br>FUNDS | CAPITAL<br>PROJECTS<br>FUND | ENTERPRISE<br>FUNDS | TOTAL        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| CASH BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD                                 | \$2,627,860     | \$1,242,263                 | \$1,173,209                 | \$4,210,613         | \$9,253,945  |
| ESTIMATED REVENUES:                                           |                 |                             |                             |                     |              |
| Ad Valorem Taxes - Millage 7.2377                             | 1,524,910       | 1,172,982                   | -                           | -                   | 2,697,892    |
| Sales and Use Taxes                                           | 76,933          | -                           | 449,289                     | -                   | 526,222      |
| Franchise Fees                                                | 332,000         | -                           | -                           | -                   | 332,000      |
| Utility Service Taxes                                         | 494,500         | -                           | -                           | -                   | 494,500      |
| Communications Services Tax                                   | 173,565         | -                           | -                           | -                   | 173,565      |
| Licenses and Permits                                          | 150,000         | -                           | -                           | -                   | 150,000      |
| Intergovernmental                                             | 558,544         | -                           | 1,488,462                   | 1,072,353           | 3,119,359    |
| Charges for Services                                          | 63,600          | 1,090,283                   | -                           | 3,756,345           | 4,910,228    |
| Fines and Forfeitures                                         | 7,000           | 500                         | -                           | -                   | 7,500        |
| Miscellaneous                                                 | 152,525         | 6,875                       | -                           | 48,600              | 208,000      |
| Other Financing Sources                                       | 797,100         | 76,398                      | -                           | -                   | 873,498      |
|                                                               | 4,330,677       | 2,347,038                   | 1,937,751                   | 4,877,298           | 13,492,764   |
| Total Estimated Revenues and<br>Cash Balances Brought Forward | \$6,958,537     | \$3,589,301                 | \$3,110,960                 | \$9,087,911         | \$22,746,709 |
| ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES:                              |                 |                             |                             |                     |              |
| General Government                                            | 1,857,000       | -                           | -                           | -                   | 1,857,000    |
| Public Safety                                                 | 1,729,948       | 782,579                     | -                           | -                   | 2,512,527    |
| Physical Environment                                          | 92,540          | -                           | -                           | 2,647,911           | 2,740,451    |
| Transportation                                                | 571,010         | -                           | 2,709,627                   | 1,276,831           | 4,557,468    |
| Culture & Recreation                                          | 894,474         | -                           | -                           | -                   | 894,474      |
| Economic Environment                                          | -               | 945,709                     | -                           | -                   | 945,709      |
| Debt Service                                                  | -               | 10,078                      | 65,329                      | 952,096             | 1,027,503    |
| Other Uses                                                    | 76,398          | 199,000                     | -                           | 598,100             | 873,498      |
| Total Expenditures / Expenses                                 | 5,221,370       | 1,937,366                   | 2,774,956                   | 5,474,938           | 15,408,630   |
| Reserves                                                      | 1,737,167       | 1,651,935                   | 336,004                     | 3,612,973           | 7,338,079    |
| Total Appropriated Expenditures/<br>Expenses and Reserves     | \$6,958,537     | \$3,589,301                 | \$3,110,960                 | \$9,087,911         | \$22,746,709 |