

Memorandum



(Public Hearing 11-1-16)

Date: October 5, 2016

To: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Item No. 5(F)

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor

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Subject: Ordinance Creating the Deering Groves Plat Multipurpose Maintenance and Street
Lighting Special Taxing District

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve a petition submitted in accordance with Chapter 18, Article 1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County (Code) for the creation of the Deering Groves Plat Multipurpose Maintenance and Street Lighting Special Taxing District (District). The creation of this district is a subdivision requirement pursuant to Chapter 28 of the Code. The multipurpose maintenance program will remain dormant until any association or community development district (CDD) fails to provide the required maintenance services.

Scope

This proposed Special Taxing District lies within District 9, represented by Commissioner Dennis C. Moss, and will provide street lighting services and, if and when necessary, other multipurpose maintenance services.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

Creation of this district will result in no economic impact on the Miami-Dade County (County) budget. The developer, pursuant to Chapter 18 of the Code, is required to fund the district's first year's lease of the equipment and electricity costs to operate the street lighting system and all incidental costs incurred by the County for the creation and administration of the district. Maintenance services which cannot be equitably or conveniently provided by the property owners shall be provided by the district upon acceptance of the plat's required improvements by the County and upon the failure of any association or CDD to provide the required maintenance services and such services will be funded by special assessments against the benefited properties.

After the first year, the economic impact on the private sector will be a perpetual annual special assessment for the costs of street lighting to all property owners within the district and, when necessary, a special assessment for district multipurpose maintenance services. Florida Power and Light (FPL) is the owner of the system and will derive revenues from the creation of the district. FPL's contractors and subcontractors may increase their staffing levels to provide the service requirements created by this Special Taxing District.

Social Equity Statement

The proposed ordinance creates a special taxing district, pursuant to Article I, Section 1.01(A)(11) of the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Charter and Chapter 18 of the Code.

If approved, property owners within the proposed district will pay special assessments appropriately apportioned according to the special benefit they receive from the district's services regardless of their demographics or income levels. The creation of this Special Taxing District, which was requested by 100 percent of the property owners, will provide for lighting continuity between contiguous Street Lighting Special Taxing Districts on connecting roadways, allow higher intensity spotlighting at specific locations, and accommodate future County lighting standards. The creation of this Special Taxing District will also provide for maintenance in the event that a CDD or association fails to provide the required services.

Pursuant to Section 18-20.2(b) of the Code regarding notice to purchasers of new residential property, it shall be the obligation of a seller of new residential property to provide the purchaser thereof with notice either of the existence of a Special Taxing District created pursuant to this Chapter of the Code or of a pending petition to create such a district. The notice required by this Section shall be set forth in the contract for sale and purchase of the new residential property. To meet this requirement, a declaration of covenant is signed and submitted as a part of the developer/owner petition and recorded under the affected subdivision. This document is revealed in a title search of residential properties within the boundaries of the referenced Special Taxing District.

Track Record/Monitor

The district will be managed by the County's Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department (PROS) and overseen by the Chief of the Special Taxing Districts Division (Division), Michael R. Bauman.

Background

Contingent upon Board approval of the creation of this district, the street lighting improvements will be accomplished pursuant to an agreement between the County and FPL. The facilities provided will remain the property of FPL. FPL will be responsible for the maintenance, repair, upgrades, and replacement of the light standards, fixtures, lamps, and all connecting service lines. The Division will administer FPL's agreement, installation, and billing process. PROS and the Division will provide the district's required maintenance services and cause implementation of special assessments for the costs of such services against the benefited properties, as well as contract monitoring, compliance and enforcements, if and when necessary. This Special Taxing District lies within the boundaries of, and is compliant with the regulations of the Naranja Community Urban Center Zoning District.

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| Boundaries: | On the North, SW 256 Street (Plummer Drive);
On the East, SW 137 Avenue;
On the South, SW 258 Street;
On the West, theo. SW 138 Avenue. |
| Number of Parcels: | 2 (Tentative plat proposes 1 commercial/residential tract-Tract A). |
| Number of Owners: | 1 |

**Number of Owners With Homestead
Exemption Signing Petition:**

None - The petition was submitted by Village at Tuscany, LLC., the sole property owner and developer.

**Type of Services and Improvements
Multipurpose Maintenance Services:**

The creation of this district is requested to maintain landscaped swales and/or medians including turf, and any trees, shrubs, and irrigation including utility payments, common areas, any entrance features, and the exterior of any fencing or walls within the district's boundaries abutting public rights-of-way should any association or CDD fail to provide these services. The district will also maintain the private road area if there is a failure to provide maintenance within the private road area as defined in a non-exclusive easement granted to the County and recorded in the Public Records.

Street Lighting Improvements:

It is expected that the district will install operate, and maintain four (4) 22,000 lumen sodium vapor bracket-arm streetlights mounted on concrete and wood poles, three (3) 16,000 lumen sodium vapor traditional post-top streetlights mounted on fiberglass poles, and the transfer of two (2) 22,000 lumen sodium vapor bracket-arm streetlight mounted on a concrete pole from an adjacent special taxing district for billing purposes only. At the discretion of the PROS director, PROS reserves the right to adjust the number, style, and luminosity of the street lighting installations, for reasons including, but not limited to, changes in field conditions, to address safety concerns, to provide for lighting continuity between contiguous Street Lighting Special Taxing Districts on connecting roadways, to allow higher intensity spotlighting at specific locations, and to accommodate future PROS lighting standards.

Preliminary Public Meeting:

None necessary.

Required Referendum:

The creation of the district will be subject only to Board approval; no election will be necessary as 100 percent of the property owners signed the petition.

Preliminary Assessment Roll:

The street lighting assessment roll is submitted on the same agenda as a separate agenda item for consideration and adoption by the Board and contingent upon the approval of this district's creating ordinance. In the event any association or CDD fails to provide the maintenance services shown below, a hearing to adopt the district's maintenance assessment roll will be conducted. The implementation of the assessment rolls will be in accordance with the procedures defined in Chapter 18 of the Code.

Estimated Initial Billing:

Assessment billed annually as an itemized portion of the Real Property tax bill.

Initial Start of Service

Multipurpose Maintenance Services:

October 1 following cessation of maintenance services by the developer and failures of any association or CDD to provide services.

Street Lighting Services:

November 2017, following the provision of street lighting services by the developer for the first year.

Method of Apportionment

Maintenance Services:

Square Footage

Street Lighting Services:

Front Footage

Estimated Annual Total Costs

Maintenance Services:

First Year

Second Year

Street Lighting Services:

\$0.00

\$22,174.34

\$12,433.43

\$3,199.96

Estimated Annual Rates

Maintenance Services:

First Year

Second Year

Street Lighting Services:

Provided by

\$0.0599

Petitioner

\$2.1963

Estimated Annual Assessments

Maintenance Services:

First Year

Second Year

For Tract A:

Provided by

\$22,174.34

Petitioner

Street Lighting Services:

First Year

Second Year

For Tract A:

Provided by

\$3,199.96

Petitioner

The above annual costs and assessment information for multipurpose maintenance services are for informational purposes only and were calculated based on current costs assuming that maintenance services were to commence this year. Actual costs for multipurpose maintenance services will be determined at the time of the multipurpose maintenance assessment roll hearing. The above annual

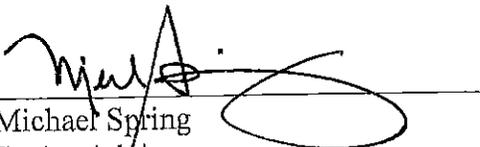
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street lighting costs and assessment information are based on the expected lighting services to be provided by the district, and are subject to change in the event that district services are adjusted by the PROS Director as provided herein.

State or Federal grants are not applicable to this Special Taxing District.

Each Special Taxing District is unique due to its geographical boundaries, affected property owners, and level of service to be provided. Creation of a new Special Taxing District to provide these services is the best and most cost-effective method to achieve this benefit.

In accordance with the requirements of Chapter 28 of the Code to provide street lighting in new subdivisions through the creation of Street Lighting Special Taxing Districts, and in compliance with the provisions of Section 18-3 (c) of the Code, I have reviewed the facts submitted by PROS and concur with their recommendation that this district be created pursuant to Sections 18-2 and 18-22.1 of the Code.


Michael Spring
Senior Advisor

**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE CREATION
OF DEERING GROVES PLAT
MULTIPURPOSE MAINTENANCE AND STREET LIGHTING
SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Pursuant to Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County (Code), and as a result of a detailed investigation of a duly petitioned for special taxing district, the following facts are submitted by the Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department (PROS) Director concerning the creation of Deering Groves Plat Multipurpose Maintenance and Street Lighting Special Taxing District (District).

1. BOUNDARIES OF THIS DISTRICT

The proposed district is located entirely within a portion of unincorporated Miami-Dade County, and the boundaries, as set forth in the petition, are as follows:

A portion of Section 27, Township 56 South, Range 39 East, Miami-Dade County, Florida (a.k.a. Deering Groves Plat, Tentative Plat # T-23640); being more particularly described as follows:

Tract "D" of "Tuscany Place Plat", according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 159, Page 95, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

And

The S ½ of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 27, Township 56 South, Range 39 East, lying and being in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

The district's boundaries and geographical location are shown on the attached sketch entitled Deering Groves Plat Multipurpose Maintenance and Street Lighting Special Taxing District and hereinafter referred to as Exhibit A.

2. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICES AND IMPROVEMENTS TO BE PROVIDED

A) Multipurpose Maintenance Services – Maintenance of landscaped swales and/or medians including turf, and any trees, shrubs, and irrigation including utility payments, common areas, any entrance features and the exterior of any fencing or walls within the district's boundaries abutting public rights-of-way should any association or community development district (CDD) fail to provide these services. The district will also maintain the private road area if there is a failure to provide maintenance within the private road area as defined in a non-exclusive easement granted to Miami-Dade County (County) and recorded in the Public Records. Service will commence following failure of any association or CDD to provide these services, and upon adoption of the district's multipurpose maintenance assessment roll. Other maintenance services may be provided in the future as specified in the district's ordinance and amendments thereto.

B) Street Lighting Services – Installation, operation, and maintenance of public street lighting located within public rights-of-way.

3. ESTIMATED COSTS AND ANNUAL EXPENSE FOR MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND OPERATION OF THIS DISTRICT

A) Multipurpose Maintenance Services – This initial cost estimate has been developed by PROS based on previous estimates for similar Maintenance Taxing Districts. The district will provide multipurpose maintenance services as specified in Item 2 above.

The combined costs of the multipurpose maintenance project and operation of the district's improvements including services, engineering, administration, billing, collecting, and processing for the first year are provided by the petitioner(s), and these costs are estimated for report purposes at \$22,174.34 for the second year. The expense of the multipurpose maintenance program will be continuous and service costs following district implementation are to be apportioned to individual properties within the district on the basis of lot or parcel square footage. The combined costs of the multipurpose maintenance program and administrative expenses as shown below are to be paid for by special assessments levied against all benefited properties. Actual multipurpose maintenance costs will be determined at the time of the multipurpose maintenance assessment roll public hearing and will then be adjusted annually each year thereafter based on actual experience.

<u>Estimated Annual Costs</u>	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
Initial Annual Maintenance	Services will	\$15,273.85
	be Provided	
Engineering and Administrative Costs	by Petitioner	\$3,054.77
Billing, Collecting and Processing Costs		\$150.00
Contingencies		<u>\$3,695.72</u>
Total Annual Maintenance Services Cost		\$22,174.34
<u>Estimated Annual Assessments</u>	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
Per Assessable Square Foot;	Costs to be	\$0.0599
For Tract A:	Provided by	\$22,174.34
	the Petitioner	

B) Street Lighting Services – The cost of streetlights in this district will be continual and is based on a preliminary estimate using Rate Schedule No. SL-1 prepared by the Florida Power and Light (FPL) and approved by the Florida Public Service Commission, a copy of which is attached. FPL will install the lights, poles, and service lines at its expense and the facilities will remain the property of FPL. FPL will also be responsible for the maintenance, repair, upgrades, and replacement of the light standards, fixtures, lamps, and all connecting service lines. However, the petitioner(s), through the Special Taxing District, may be required to pay a differential cost if rapid construction techniques cannot be used on this project and this cost is shown in the district's cost estimate below. Actual costs for the second year and each year thereafter will then be adjusted annually based on actual experience.

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 Multipurpose Maintenance and Street Lighting Special Taxing District
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<u>Estimated Annual Costs</u>	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
6 – 22,000 Lumen Sodium Vapor Luminaires	\$790.56	\$790.56
3 – 16,000 Lumen Sodium Vapor Luminaires	\$273.60	\$273.60
3 – Concrete Poles	\$232.92	\$232.92
3 – Fiberglass Poles	\$275.76	\$275.76
720 Ft. - Underground Wiring	\$365.90	\$365.90
Annual Fuel Adjustments (Based on 8,496 KWH at \$0.07443 Per KWH)	\$632.36	\$632.36
Franchise Cost (Based on 9.297% of \$2,571.10)	<u>\$239.04</u>	<u>\$239.04</u>
Sub-Total Street Lighting Services Costs	\$2,810.14	\$2,810.14
Engineering and Administrative Costs	\$5,287.44	\$87.44
Billing, Collecting and Processing Costs	\$1,214.10	\$150.00
FPL Restoration Costs	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Contingencies	<u>\$1,621.75</u>	<u>\$152.38</u>
Street Lighting Costs Paid By Petitioner	\$12,433.43	
Total Annual Street Lighting Costs		\$3,199.96
<u>Estimated Annual Assessments</u>	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
Per Assessable Front Foot:	Costs to be	\$2.1963
For Tract A:	Provided by the Petitioner	\$3,199.96
<u>Estimated Combined Annual Assessments</u>	<u>First Year</u>	<u>Second Year</u>
For Tract A:	Costs to be Provided by the Petitioner	\$25,374.30

4. CONFORMITY TO THE MASTER PLAN OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

The proposed district conforms to and in no way conflicts with the master plan of development for the County (see attached memorandum from the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources, a successor to the Department of Planning and Zoning).

5. **RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING THE DESIRABILITY OF THIS DISTRICT**

The need for multipurpose maintenance programs and street lighting in the County is apparent. Residents and property owners of the County continue to demonstrate their desire for the services which will be provided by this district through numerous petitions and personal requests. The ability of the affected properties to pay special assessments is evident since the costs of this district's services, including any bonds then outstanding, do not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the assessed valuation of all properties within the district's boundaries (including homesteads) as shown by the last preceding assessment roll of the County. In my opinion, the proposed multipurpose maintenance and streetlight program will provide special benefits to properties within the district exceeding the amount of special assessments to be levied.

6. **PROCEDURE**

Following the creation of the district by the Board of County Commissioners (Board), the petitioner's plat shall not be placed on a Commission agenda for approval prior to receipt of the payment from the petitioner(s) for the first year street lighting costs as specified above. Upon approval of the petitioner's plat by the Board, and at the time of service provision, the multipurpose maintenance lot or parcel square footage first year annual rate of the assessment shall be determined and will require the adoption of a multipurpose maintenance assessment roll by the Board and is predicated upon failure of any association or CDD to provide required maintenance services. The multipurpose maintenance square footage rate of the assessment for the second year and each year thereafter will then be adjusted annually based on actual experience. The above annual costs and assessment information for multipurpose maintenance services are for report purposes only and were calculated based on current costs assuming that maintenance services were to commence this year.

Subsequently, and upon adoption of the petitioner's plat by the Board, the County may then enter into an agreement with FPL in substantially the form attached herein, wherein the County will pay to FPL any costs associated with the streetlight installation and ongoing costs of service. Based on front footage, each property owner within the proposed district will pay the County, through a special assessment, a proportionate share of the total annual costs for the second year and each year thereafter. In the event actual second year street lighting costs are lower than the costs estimated herein, the Director of PROS shall adjust and decrease the second year rate of the assessment. In the event actual second year street lighting costs are higher than estimated herein, the second year rate of the assessment shall not be increased prior to the Board adopting a revised street lighting assessment roll.

A) Multipurpose Maintenance Services – Contingent upon adoption of the petitioner's plat and multipurpose maintenance assessment roll by the Board, and prior to assumption of maintenance services by the County, all areas and facilities to be maintained by the district must be inspected and accepted by the County, and all instruments that convey title to, or provide ingress/egress over, any real property to be maintained by the County shall be submitted to the Special Taxing Districts Division of PROS. Maintenance of any lake, natural preservation area, archeological sites and mitigation area within the District's boundaries to be maintained by the district will commence upon notice from the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources (RER) that the developer has complied with any and all maintenance requirements imposed by RER.

Once any applicable provisions expressed above are met, implementation of maintenance services within or abutting the public rights-of-way may begin upon receipt of a written request from the developer no later than October 1st, the beginning of the County's fiscal year, provided sufficient time to initiate the process of assessment and notice of collection to all property owners within the district.

Services within the private road area may commence upon failure of the developer or any association or CDD to maintain the landscaped areas and ingress/egress easements as defined in a "Grant of Perpetual Non-Exclusive Easement" and made a part herein by reference. Upon assumption of maintenance services by the district, the costs of which are estimated in the district's cost estimate, any increase in future multipurpose maintenance functions within the scope of service for the district may be provided upon recommendation by a majority of the property owners for consideration by the County as administrator, provided that any expansion of the scope of services of the district may require adoption of an amending ordinance. The district shall provide a minimum level of service as determined by PROS and services may not be deleted entirely unless the district is abolished.

Once district services begin, PROS will conduct a meeting in the community, inviting all directly affected property owners for the purpose of reviewing the district's annual budget and level of service. This will enable the County, as administrator, to secure input from affected community representatives, association and property owners to improve delivery of services or lower costs of the services provided within the scope of the district's authorized functions as specified in Item 2 above, and to determine the following:

1. Level of service;
2. Areas to be maintained;
3. Approximate effect on cost and rate of the assessment for any changes.

However, because costs and/or maintenance service levels may increase, the estimated annual expense, as indicated herein, can only be based on the initial maintenance program. After the first year, the costs of the multipurpose maintenance program will therefore require adjustment annually through the budget process performed by PROS as administrator of the district.

B) Street Lighting Services – As provided for under Section 18 of the Code, the property owner(s), the developer(s), within the proposed district shall guarantee payment of all costs and expenses incidental to the creation of such district and shall pay the entire cost of providing street lighting within the district for the first year. Upon adoption of the petitioner's plat by the Board, FPL will install the lights, poles and service lines at its expense, with annual service/rental costs to be borne by District property owners. The County may then enter into an agreement with FPL wherein the County will pay to FPL any costs associated with the streetlight installation, and for the annual cost of providing the streetlight service. These amounts will be charged during the first year's operation against funds advanced by the petitioner(s). Based on front footage, each property owner within the proposed District will pay the County, through a special assessment, a proportionate share of the total annual street lighting costs each year thereafter.

7. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that Deering Groves Plat Multipurpose Maintenance and Street Lighting Special Taxing District be created pursuant to Section 18-2 of the Code, which provides for the creation of Special Taxing Districts for street lighting in new subdivisions and Section 18-22.1 permitting a petition of all property owners for multipurpose maintenance services. The creation of this district will be subject to Board approval; no election will be necessary as 100 percent of the property owners signed the petition. I also recommend that the County Attorney cause to be prepared an ordinance authorizing the creation of the Deering Groves Plat Multipurpose Maintenance and Street Lighting Special Taxing District. Pursuant to Chapter 18 of the Code, the Board shall receive and hear, at a

public hearing, remarks by interested persons on this district, and thereafter may adopt such ordinance. Following adoption of the creating ordinance, it is further recommended that the Board adopt the district's Preliminary Assessment Roll(s) Resolution. Adoption of this resolution will enable the Miami-Dade County Tax Collector to collect the funds necessary to administer the district, reimburse affected County Departments involved in the creation and establishment of the district, as well as provide funds for payment of the annual costs for the multipurpose maintenance services and the district's monthly power bills for the second year and each year thereafter. The ordinance creating the district shall take effect ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, it shall become effective only upon an override by the Board. My office will also be available to answer any questions from the public or your office in regard to the financial and/or engineering facts of this project. We further recommend that the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee forward the attached report to the Board after review and concurrence with our findings.

- Attachments:
- (1) Copy of Petition and Attachments
 - (2) Copy of FPL Rate Schedule No. SL-1
 - (3) Copy of FPL Street Lighting Agreement Form
 - (4) Copy of Memo from Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources
 - (5) District Boundaries and Geographical Location Sketch (Exhibit A)

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
MEMORANDUM

TO: Mike Bauman
Chief, Special Taxing Districts

FROM: Jorge Martinez-Esteve DATE: March 18, 2016
Assistant County Attorney

SUBJECT: Deering Groves Plat Multipurpose Maintenance
and Street Lighting Special Taxing District

Please be advised that I have reviewed the above referenced petition and find it to be legally sufficient for the purposes stated within the Petition, provided that:

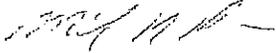
1. the wall and entrance features to be maintained are adjacent to or accessible from the public right of way; and,
2. the land included in Exhibit A of the Petition is accessible to or usable by the public.

Memorandum



Date: March 16, 2016

To: Christopher Agrippa, Division Chief
Office of the Clerk of the Board
Attn: Daysha McBride


From: Michael R. Bauman, Chief
Causeways and Special Taxing Districts Division
Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department

Subject: Deering Groves Plat Multipurpose Maintenance and
Street Lighting Special Taxing District

In reference to the subject petition, we hereby certify that, in compliance with Sections 18-2 and 18-22.1 of the Miami-Dade County Code, this Department has verified the attached name against the records of the Office of the Property Appraiser, and has concluded that said petition relates to real property in a new subdivision and the signator is owner and/or individual signing in his official capacity as representative of the owner of the property in question. We are therefore submitting the following information:

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| 1. Total number of parcels of land within district boundaries | <u>2</u> |
| 2. Total number of owners of property within district boundaries | <u>1</u> |
| 3. Total number of resident owners within district boundaries
(this is a new subdivision area) | <u>0</u> |
| 4. Total number of signatures on the petition | <u>1</u> |
| 5. Total number of owners or representatives signing the petition
in an official capacity | <u>1</u> |
| 6. Percentage of owners or representatives signing the petition
in their official capacity | <u>100%</u> |

Pursuant to Sections 18-2 and 18-22.1 of the Code, this is a valid petition.

By copy of this memorandum, I am forwarding this petition for review by the County Attorney for legal sufficiency.

Attachment

c: Jorge Martínez-Esteve

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS DIVISION

February 26, 2016
Document Preparation
Date

Departmental Acceptance Date
(Government Use Only)

PETITION FOR MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT

To the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

We, the undersigned property owners, do hereby petition Miami-Dade County, Florida, for the creation of the Special Taxing District(s) required by the respective plat(s) pursuant to Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, for any or all of the following: installation, operation and maintenance of sodium vapor street lights of an intensity of 16,000 up to 50,000 lumens, mounted on concrete, fiber glass or existing poles; landscape, lake, entrance features and wall maintenance services (requested landscape, lake, entrance features and wall maintenance services shall be more fully described on the attached Exhibit B). The petitioned for district lies within that portion of the unincorporated area of Miami-Dade County more fully described on the attached Exhibit A.

Tentative Plat(s) Name(s) DEERING GROVES PLAT

It is understood and agreed that the boundaries of this district and the type and level of services to be provided by this district will be reviewed by the appropriate County authorities. It is also understood that the street lights and other improvements to be provided shall be in accordance with minimum standards and requirements set forth by the Miami-Dade County Public Works Department.

OWNER'S NAME	OWNER'S ADDRESS	LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY	TAX FOLIO NUMBER
AHS Development Group, LLC Village at Tuscan, LLC Ernesto Lopes, President of AHS Development, Group LLC Manager of Princeton Groves Village, LLC.	12895 SW 132 nd Street, Ste. 202 Miami, FL, 33186		30-6927-017-0040 30-6927-000-0450
<u>Managers of Village at Tuscan, LLC</u>		MORE FULLY DESCRIBED	
		ON THE ATTACHED	
		"EXHIBIT A"	

PLACE NOTARY STATEMENT AND STAMP HERE:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, an office duly qualified to take acknowledgments, personally appear ERNESTO LOPES, President of AHS DEVELOPMENT GROUP, LLC., which is Manager of VILLAGE AT TUSCANY, LLC., personally known to me, or who produced identification in the form of _____, and who executed the foregoing resolution and acknowledged before me that _____ he executed the same for the purposes herein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State last aforesaid, this 26 day of February, 2016.



DOMINGA RIVERA
MY COMMISSION # FF 009524
EXPIRES: April 17, 2017
Bonded Thru Budget Notary Services

[Signature]
Notary Public, State of Florida

My Commission expires: 04/17/2017

DEPARTMENTAL ACCEPTANCE DATE
(GOVERNMENT USE ONLY)

EXHIBIT "A"

EXHIBIT A TO THE PETITION FOR THE PLAT KNOWN AS **DEERING GROVES PLAT**
DATED **FEBRUARY 26, 2016** FOR THE CREATION OF SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT.

Legal Description:

TRACT "D" OF "TUSCANY PLACE PLAT", ACCORDING TO THE PLAT
THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 159, PAGE 95, OF THE PUBLIC
RECORDS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

AND

THE SOUTH ½ OF THE NORTHEAST ¼ OF THE NORTHEAST ¼ OF THE
SOUTHEAST ¼ OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 56 SOUTH, RANGE 39 EAST,
LYING AND BEING IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

FOLIO: 30-6927-017-0040 AND 30-6927-000-0450

EXHIBIT B

EXHIBIT B TO THE PETITION FOR THE SUBDIVISION KNOWN AS DEERING GROVES PLAT, DATED FEBRUARY 26TH, 2016, FOR THE CREATION OF A MULTIPURPOSE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT FOR STREET LIGHTING, LANDSCAPE, AND WALL MAINTENANCE SERVICES.

AREAS TO BE MAINTAINED:

All common areas (green areas in the public right of way) within the tract in addition to all landscaping located (i) along the south side of S.W. 256th Street (ii) The west side of SW 137th avenue (iii) The north side of SW 258th Street

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE:

A) Lawn/Grass

- I. Cut bimonthly as required
- II. Fertilize and weed control as needed
- III. Treat for pest/diseases as needed

B) Trees/Shrubs

- I. Trim, fertilize and treat for pests as needed. Replace as required

Note: THIS SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT ENCOMPASSES A PRIVATE DRIVE COMMUNITY AND THE MULTIPURPOSE MAINTENANCE COMPONENT OF THE DISTRICT SHALL BE DORMANT. SERVICE WILL ONLY COMMENCE FOLLOWING FAILURE (AS DEFINED IN A "GRANT OF PERPETUAL NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT" SUBMITTED AT THE SAME TIME AS THIS PETITION) OF ANY HOME-OWNER'S ASSOCIATION AND/OR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED SERVICES. ASSUMPTION OF MAINTENANCE SERVICES SHALL COMMENCE FOLLOWING ADOPTION OF THIS DISTRICT'S MULTIPURPOSE MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT ROLL BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AT A PUBLIC HEARING. OTHER MAINTENANCE SERVICES MAY BE PROVIDED IN THE FUTURE AS SPECIFIED IN THE DISTRICT'S ORDINANCE AND AMENDMENTS THERETO. IN THE EVENT THIS DISTRICT IS ACTIVATED, THE FOLLOWING AREAS MAY BE MAINTAINED:

Landscaped, Ingress/Egress, Common Areas, as Wall Maintenance Services within the tract in addition to all landscaping located (i) along the south side of S.W. 256th Street (ii) The west side of SW 137th avenue (iii) The north side of SW 258th Street

STREET LIGHTING

RATE SCHEDULE: SL-1

AVAILABLE:

In all territory served.

APPLICATION:

For lighting streets and roadways, whether public or private, which are thoroughfares for normal flow of vehicular traffic. Lighting for other applications such as: municipally and privately-owned parking lots; parks and recreational areas; or any other area not expressly defined above, is not permitted under this schedule.

TYPE OF INSTALLATION:

FPL-owned fixtures normally will be mounted on poles of FPL's existing distribution system and served from overhead wires. On request of the Customer, FPL will provide special poles or underground wires at the charges specified below. Customer-owned systems will be of a standard type and design, permitting service and lamp replacement at no abnormal cost to FPL.

SERVICE:

Service includes lamp renewals, patrol, energy from dusk each day until dawn the following day and maintenance of FPL-owned Street Lighting Systems.

LIMITATION OF SERVICE:

For Mercury Vapor, Fluorescent and Incandescent luminaires, no additions or changes in specified lumen output on existing installations will be permitted under this schedule after October 4, 1981 except where such additional lights are required in order to match existing installations.

Stand-by or resale service is not permitted hereunder.

CUSTOMER CONTRIBUTIONS:

A Contribution-in-Aid-of-Construction (CIAC) will be required for:

- a) the differential cost between employing rapid construction techniques in trenching, backfilling and pole installation work where no obstructions exist, and the added cost to overcome obstructions such as sprinkler systems, paved surfaces (such as sidewalks, curbs, gutters, and roadways), landscaping, sodding and other obstructions encountered along the Street Light System installation route, including repair and replacement. If the Customer elects to perform work such as trenching and restoration, they will be reimbursed by FPL with a credit (not to exceed the total CIAC cost) for the value of this work as determined by FPL;
- b) the installation cost of any new overhead distribution facilities and/or the cost of alterations to existing distribution facilities which are required in order to serve the Street Lighting System less four (4) times the additional annual non-fuel energy revenue generated by the installation or alteration of the Street Lighting System, plus where underground facilities are installed, the differential installation cost between underground and overhead distribution facilities.

These costs shall be paid by the Customer prior to the initiation of any construction work by FPL. The Customer shall also pay any additional costs associated with design modifications requested after the original estimate has been made.

(Continued on Sheet No. 8.716)

(Continued from Sheet No. 8.715)

REMOVAL OF FACILITIES:

If Street Lighting facilities are removed either by Customer request or termination or breach of the agreement, the Customer shall pay FPL an amount equal to the original installed cost of the removed facilities less any salvage value and any depreciation (based on current depreciation rates as approved by the Florida Public Service Commission) plus removal cost.

MONTHLY RATE:

Luminaire Type	Lamp Size		kWh/Mo. Estimate	Charge for FPL-Owned Unit (\$)				Charge for Customer-Owned Unit (\$)	
	Initial Lumens/Watts			Fixtures	Mainte- nance	Energy Non-Fuel **	Total ***	Relamping/ Energy ****	Energy Only
High Pressure Sodium Vapor	6,300	70	29	\$3.89	1.83	0.80	6.52	\$2.66	\$0.80
" "	9,500	100	41	\$3.96	1.84	1.13	6.93	\$3.00	\$1.13
" "	16,000	150	60	\$4.08	1.87	1.65	7.60	\$3.55	\$1.65
" "	22,000	200	88	\$6.18	2.38	2.42	10.98	\$4.81	\$2.42
" "	50,000	400	168	\$6.24	2.39	4.63	13.26	\$7.03	\$4.63
" "	* 12,800	150	60	\$4.25	2.09	1.65	7.99	\$3.74	\$1.65
" "	* 27,500	250	116	\$6.58	2.60	3.20	12.38	\$5.80	\$3.20
" "	* 140,000	1,000	411	\$9.90	4.65	11.32	25.87	\$16.07	\$11.32
Mercury Vapor	* 6,000	140	62	\$3.07	1.64	1.71	6.42	\$3.38	\$1.71
" "	* 8,600	175	77	\$3.12	1.64	2.12	6.88	\$3.79	\$2.12
" "	* 11,500	250	104	\$5.21	2.37	2.87	10.45	\$5.28	\$2.87
" "	* 21,500	400	160	\$5.18	2.33	4.41	11.92	\$6.78	\$4.41
" "	* 39,500	700	272	\$7.34	3.96	7.49	18.79	\$11.45	\$7.49
" "	* 60,000	1,000	385	\$7.50	3.87	10.61	21.98	\$14.55	\$10.61
Incandescent	* 1,000	103	36				7.79	\$4.70	\$0.99
"	* 2,500	202	71				8.26	\$5.70	\$1.96
"	* 4,000	327	116				9.90	\$7.04	\$3.20
Fluorescent	* 19,800	300	122				-	\$5.33	\$3.36

* These units are closed to new FPL installations.

** The non-fuel energy charge is 2.75¢ per kWh.

*** Bills rendered based on "Total" charge. Unbundling of charges is not permitted.

**** New Customer installations of those units closed to FPL installations cannot receive relamping service.

Charges for other FPL-owned facilities:

Wood pole used only for the street lighting system	\$4.72
Concrete pole used only for the street lighting system	\$6.47
Fiberglass pole used only for the street lighting system	\$7.66
Steel pole used only for the street lighting system *	\$6.47
Underground conductors not under paving	3.70 ¢ per foot
Underground conductors under paving	9.05 ¢ per foot

The Underground conductors under paving charge will not apply where a CIAC is paid pursuant to section "a)" under "Customer Contributions." The Underground conductors not under paving charge will apply in these situations.

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On Customer-owned Street Lighting Systems, where Customer contracts to relamp at no cost to FPL, the Monthly Rate for non-fuel energy shall be 2.755¢ per kWh of estimated usage of each unit plus adjustments. On Street Lighting Systems, where the Customer elects to install Customer-owned monitoring systems, the Monthly Rate for non-fuel energy shall be 2.755¢ per kWh of estimated usage of each monitoring unit plus adjustments. The minimum monthly kWh per monitoring device will be 1 kilowatt-hour per month, and the maximum monthly kWh per monitoring device will be 5 kilowatt-hours per month.

During the initial installation period:
 Facilities in service for 15 days or less will not be billed;
 Facilities in service for 16 days or more will be billed for a full month.

WILLFUL DAMAGE:

Upon the **second** occurrence of willful damage to any FPL-owned facilities, the Customer will be responsible for the cost incurred for repair or replacement. If the lighting fixture is damaged, based on prior written instructions from the Customer, FPL will:

- a) Replace the fixture with a shielded cutoff cobrahead. The Customer shall pay \$280.00 for the shield plus all associated costs. However, if the Customer chooses to have the shield installed after the first occurrence, the Customer shall only pay the \$280.00 cost of the shield; or
- b) Replace with a like unshielded fixture. For this, and each subsequent occurrence, the Customer shall pay the costs specified under "Removal of Facilities"; or
- c) Terminate service to the fixture.

Option selection shall be made by the Customer in writing and apply to all fixtures which FPL has installed on the Customer's behalf. Selection changes may be made by the Customer at any time and will become effective ninety (90) days after written notice is received.

Conservation Charge	See Sheet No. 8.030.1
Capacity Payment Charge	See Sheet No. 8.030.1
Environmental Charge	See Sheet No. 8.030.1
Fuel Charge	See Sheet No. 8.030.1
Storm Charge	See Sheet No. 8.040
Franchise Fee	See Sheet No. 8.031
Tax Clause	See Sheet No. 8.031

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

Customers whose lights are turned off during sea turtle nesting season will receive a credit equal to the fuel charges associated with the fixtures that are turned off.

TERM OF SERVICE:

Initial term of ten (10) years with automatic, successive five (5) year extensions unless terminated in writing by either FPL or the Customer at least ninety (90) days prior to the current term's expiration.

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Service under this schedule is subject to orders of governmental bodies having jurisdiction and to the currently effective "General Rules and Regulations for Electric Service" on file with the Florida Public Service Commission. In case of conflict between any provision of this schedule and said "General Rules and Regulations for Electric Service", the provision of this schedule shall apply.



FPL Account Number: _____
 FPL Work Order Number: _____
 Taxing District: L- _____

STREET LIGHTING AGREEMENT

In accordance with the following terms and conditions, _____ Street Lighting Special Taxing District (hereinafter called the Customer), requests on this ____ day of _____, _____, from FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY (hereinafter called FPL), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, the following installation or modification of street lighting facilities at (general boundaries) _____, located in Miami-Dade County, Florida.
 (city/county)

(a) Installation and/or removal of FPL-owned facilities described as follows:

<u>Lights Installed</u>			<u>Lights Removed</u>		
Fixture Rating (in Lumens)	Fixture Type	# Installed	Fixture Rating (in Lumens)	Fixture Type	# Removed

<u>Poles Installed</u>		<u>Poles Removed</u>		<u>Conductors Installed</u>		<u>Conductors Removed</u>	
Pole Type	# Installed	Pole Type	# Removed	Feet not Under Paving	Feet Under Paving	Feet not Under Paving	Feet Under Paving

(b) Modification to existing facilities other than described above (explain fully): _____

That, for and in consideration of the covenants set forth herein, the parties hereto covenant and agree as follows:

FPL AGREES:

- To install or modify the street lighting facilities described and identified above (hereinafter called the Street Lighting System), furnish to the Customer the electric energy necessary for the operation of the Street Lighting System, and furnish such other services as are specified in this Agreement, all in accordance with the terms of FPL's currently effective street lighting rate schedule on file at the Florida Public Service Commission (FPSC) or any successive street lighting rate schedule approved by the FPSC.

THE CUSTOMER AGREES:

- To pay a contribution in the amount of \$_____ prior to FPL's initiating the requested installation or modification.
- To purchase from FPL all of the electric energy used for the operation of the Street Lighting System.
- To be responsible for paying, when due, all bills rendered by FPL pursuant to FPL's currently effective street lighting rate schedule on file at the FPSC or any successive street lighting rate schedule approved by the FPSC, for facilities and service provided in accordance with this agreement.
- To provide access, final grading and, when requested, good and sufficient easements, suitable construction drawings showing the location of existing and proposed structures, identification of all non-FPL underground facilities within or near pole or trench locations, and appropriate plats necessary for planning the design and completing the construction of FPL facilities associated with the Street Lighting System.
- To perform any clearing, compacting, removal of stumps or other obstructions that conflict with construction, and drainage of rights-of-way or easements required by FPL to accommodate the street lighting facilities.

IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED THAT:

7. Modifications to the facilities provided by FPL under this agreement, other than for maintenance, may only be made through the execution of an additional street lighting agreement delineating the modifications to be accomplished. Modification of FPL street lighting facilities is defined as the following:

- a. the addition of street lighting facilities;
- b. the removal of street lighting facilities; and
- c. the removal of street lighting facilities and the replacement of such facilities with new facilities and/or additional facilities.

Modifications will be subject to the costs identified in FPL's currently effective street lighting rate schedule on file at the FPSC, or any successive schedule approved by the FPSC.

8. FPL will, at the request of the Customer, relocate the street lighting facilities covered by this agreement, if provided sufficient right-of-ways or easements to do so. The Customer shall be responsible for the payment of all costs associated with any such Customer-requested relocation of FPL street lighting facilities. Payment shall be made by the Customer in advance of any relocation.

9. FPL may, at any time, substitute for any luminaire/lamp installed hereunder another luminaire/lamp which shall be of at least equal illuminating capacity and efficiency.

10. This Agreement shall be for a term of ten (10) years from the date of initiation of service, and, except as provided below, shall extend thereafter for further successive periods of five (5) years from the expiration of the initial ten (10) year term or from the expiration of any extension thereof. The date of initiation of service shall be defined as the date the first lights are energized and billing begins, not the date of this Agreement. This Agreement shall be extended automatically beyond the initial ten (10) year term or any extension thereof, unless either party shall have given written notice to the other of its desire to terminate this Agreement. The written notice shall be by certified mail and shall be given not less than ninety (90) days before the expiration of the initial ten (10) year term, or any extension thereof.

11. In the event street lighting facilities covered by this agreement are removed, either at the request of the Customer or through termination or breach of this Agreement, the Customer shall be responsible for paying to FPL an amount equal to the original installed cost of the facilities provided by FPL under this agreement less any salvage value and any depreciation (based on current depreciation rates as approved by the FPSC) plus removal cost.

12. Should the Customer fail to pay any bills due and rendered pursuant to this agreement or otherwise fail to perform the obligations contained in this Agreement, said obligations being material and going to the essence of this Agreement, FPL may cease to supply electric energy or service until the Customer has paid the bills due and rendered or has fully cured such other breach of this Agreement. Any failure of FPL to exercise its rights hereunder shall not be a waiver of its rights. It is understood, however, that such discontinuance of the supplying of electric energy or service shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement by FPL, nor shall it relieve the Customer of the obligation to perform any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

13. The obligation to furnish or purchase service shall be excused at any time that either party is prevented from complying with this Agreement by strikes, lockouts, fires, riots, acts of God, the public enemy, or by cause or causes not under the control of the party thus prevented from compliance and FPL shall not have the obligation to furnish service if it is prevented from complying with this Agreement by reason of any partial, temporary or entire shut-down of service which, in the sole opinion of FPL, is reasonably necessary for the purpose of repairing or making more efficient all or any part of its generating or other electrical equipment.

14. This Agreement supersedes all previous Agreements or representations, either written, oral or otherwise between the Customer and FPL, with respect to the facilities referenced herein and constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties. This Agreement does not create any rights or provide any remedies to third parties or create any additional duty, obligation or undertakings by FPL to third parties.

15. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the Customer and FPL.

16. This Agreement is subject to FPL's Electric Tariff, including, but not limited to, the General Rules and Regulations for Electric Service and the Rules of the FPSC, as they are written, or as they may be hereafter revised, amended or supplemented. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the provisions of the FPL Electric Tariff or the FPSC Rules, the provisions of the Electric Tariff and FPSC Rules shall control, as they are now written, or as they may be hereafter revised, amended or supplemented.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereby caused this Agreement to be executed in triplicate by their duly authorized representatives to be effective as of the day and year first written above.

Charges and Terms Accepted:

Miami-Dade County Special Taxing Districts Division
Customer (Print or type name of Organization)

FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

By: _____
Signature (Authorized Representative)

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print or type name)

(Print or type name)

Title: _____

Title: _____

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MEMORANDUM

To: Aristides Rivera, P.E., P.L.S., Director
Public Works Department

Date: January 15, 2002

From: 
Diane O'Quinn Williams, Director
Department of Planning and Zoning

Subject: Street Lighting, Maintenance of
Landscape, Walls Adjacent to
Double-Frontage Lots and Lakes
Special Taxing Districts

Section: As Required

District: As Required

Council: As Required

Effective September 5, 2001, all tentative plats in the unincorporated area of Miami-Dade County submitted to the Land Development Division of the Public Works Department, must be accompanied by a properly executed petition for all applicable special taxing districts including, but not limited to street lights, maintenance of landscape, walls adjacent to double frontage lots, entrance features and lakes. Final Plats will not be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration until the applicable special taxing districts are created, and all fees have been paid. In that regard, to ensure expeditious processing, this Memorandum may serve as approval for certain future special taxing district application requests as being consistent with the intent and purpose of the adopted 2005-2015 Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP). Policy 4A - Capital Improvement Element states: Appropriate funding mechanisms will be adopted and applied by Miami-Dade County in order to assure the fiscal resources to maintain acceptable levels of service. Such funding mechanisms include special tax districts, municipal taxing service units, local option taxes, user fees, local gas tax, general obligation bond, impact fees, and special purpose authorities, or others as appropriate and feasible (Adopted Components as Amended through April 2001, page IX-10). The provision for services over and above minimum for neighborhoods and communities may be accomplished through the special taxing district as may be prescribed by the code.

The Department of Planning and Zoning (DP&Z) has no objection to a blanket approval with condition to establish future special taxing districts as limited to requests for street lighting, landscape maintenance, walls adjacent to double-frontage lots and lake maintenance districts. The previously noted special taxing districts may be established on the condition that the DP&Z review all landscape maintenance districts for compliance with plantings in public rights-of-way and lake maintenance districts for consistency with Landscape Code (Chapter 18A) Section 18A-6(L) Storm Water Retention/Detention Areas.

DO'QW: GA: TBS



EXISTING TUSCANY PLACE
(L-864)

SW 256 STREET (PLUMMER DRIVE)

DISTRICT
BOUNDARIES

THEO. SW 138 AVENUE

TRACT A

(TALLAHASSEE ROAD)
SW 137 AVENUE

SW 258 STREET

EXISTING CEDAR WEST HOMES 3
(L-817)

EXISTING SARAH NICOLE ESTATES
(L-981)

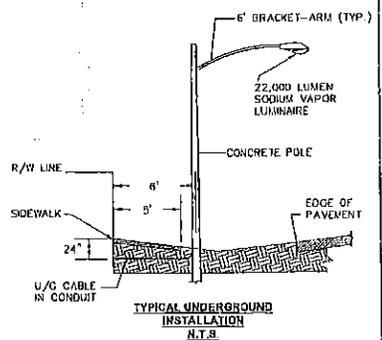
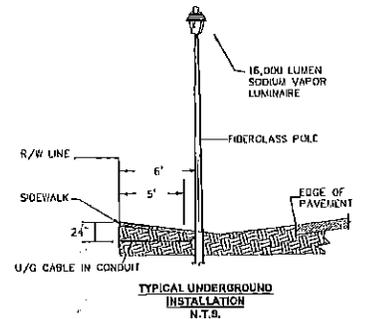


DEERING GROVES PLAT

MULTIPURPOSE MAINTENANCE AND STREET LIGHTING SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT

- 3 - 16,000 LUMEN SODIUM VAPOR TRADITIONAL POST-TOP STREETLIGHTS MOUNTED ON FIBERGLASS POLES.
- 2 - EXISTING 22,000 LUMEN SODIUM VAPOR BRACKET-ARM STREETLIGHT MOUNTED ON A CONCRETE / WOOD POLE TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM AN ADJACENT SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT FOR BILLING PURPOSES ONLY.
- 2 - 22,000 LUMEN SODIUM VAPOR BRACKET-ARM STREETLIGHTS MOUNTED ON CONCRETE POLES.
- 1 - 22,000 LUMEN SODIUM VAPOR BRACKET-ARM STREETLIGHT MOUNTED ON AN EXISTING WOOD POLE.
- 1 - 22,000 LUMEN SODIUM VAPOR BRACKET-ARM STREETLIGHT MOUNTED ON AN EXISTING CONCRETE POLE.

SHADING DENOTES AREAS TO BE MAINTAINED. SEE ATTACHED SHEET FOR SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS & LOCATIONS.



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MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: November 1, 2016

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 5(F)

Please note any items checked.

- "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Statement of social equity required
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- No committee review
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 5(F)
11-1-16

ORDINANCE NO. _____

ORDINANCE CREATING AND ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, KNOWN AND DESCRIBED AS DEERING GROVES PLAT MULTIPURPOSE MAINTENANCE AND STREET LIGHTING SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 18 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Amendment to the Florida Constitution (Article VIII, Section 6) grants to the electors of Miami-Dade County power to adopt a home rule charter of government for Miami-Dade County, Florida, and provides that such charter may provide a method for establishing special taxing districts and other governmental units in Miami-Dade County from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Home Rule Charter adopted by the electors of Miami-Dade County on May 21, 1957, provides that the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board"), as the legislative and governing body of Miami-Dade County, shall have the power to establish special purpose districts within which may be provided essential facilities and services, including landscape improvement and other maintenance programs, and street lighting, and that all funds for such districts shall be provided by service charges, special assessments, or general tax levies within such districts only, and that the Board shall be the governing body of all such districts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such provisions of the Florida Constitution and the Home Rule Charter, the Board duly enacted Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, providing for the creation and establishment of special taxing districts and prescribing the procedures therefore; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, a petition for the creation of a special taxing district to be known as Deering Groves Plat Multipurpose Maintenance and Street Lighting Special Taxing District (“Special Taxing District”) duly signed by 100 percent of the owners (developer/petitioner) of property within the proposed Special Taxing District, was filed with the Clerk of the Board. Such petition prayed for the creation and establishment of a special taxing district for the purpose of providing maintenance of landscaped swales and/or medians, and the exterior faces of any fencing or walls adjacent to public rights-of-way, common areas and private road areas, and street lighting services located within the public domain, to be financed solely by means of special assessments levied and collected within the area therein and hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of such petition the Clerk of the Board transmitted a copy thereof to the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee who examined it and filed a written report with the Clerk certifying that such petition was sufficient in form and substance and signed and properly presented in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee, after making appropriate investigations, surveys, plans, and specifications, compiled and filed with the Board a written report and recommendations, included herein by reference, setting forth the boundaries of the proposed Special Taxing District, the location, nature, and character of the multipurpose maintenance and street lighting programs and/or services to be provided within the proposed Special Taxing District, an estimate of the cost of maintaining and operating such programs and/or services, certification that the proposed Special Taxing District’s programs and/or services conform to the master plan of development for the County, and setting forth recommendations

concerning the need for and desirability of the requested Special Taxing District, the ability of the affected properties to bear special assessments to fund the cost of maintaining and operating such programs and/or services, and an estimate of the amount to be assessed against each square foot of the benefited properties within the proposed Special Taxing District for the multipurpose maintenance program and each front foot of the benefited properties within the proposed Special Taxing District for street lighting services, and expressing an opinion that the properties to be specially assessed will be benefited in excess of the special assessments to be levied, and the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee attached to such report and recommendations a map or sketch showing the boundaries and geographical location of the proposed Special Taxing District ("Report and Recommendations"). Such Report and Recommendations of the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee was filed with the Clerk and transmitted to the Chairperson; and

WHEREAS, it appears to the Board from such Report and Recommendations and other investigations that the Special Taxing District petitioned for would be of special benefit to all properties within the proposed boundaries and that the total amount of the special assessments to be levied would not be in excess of such special benefit; the Clerk of the Board will certify the place, date, and hour for a public hearing on the petition of the property owners (developer/petitioner) and the Report and Recommendations -- said hearing was held on Wednesday, . Copies of the notice of the public hearing will be duly published in a newspaper of general circulation published in Miami-Dade County, Florida, and copies thereof will be posted in not less than five public places within the proposed Special Taxing District, and copies thereof will be mailed to all owners of taxable real property within the boundaries of the proposed Special Taxing District as their names and addresses appear on the latest Miami-Dade County Real Property Tax Roll; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said notice, the Board on Tuesday, _____, held a public hearing, at which all interested persons will be afforded the opportunity to present their objections, if any, to the creation and establishment of the proposed Special Taxing District; and

WHEREAS, the Board, upon review and consideration of the Report and Recommendations of the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee and the views expressed by the property owners within the proposed special taxing district, has determined to create and establish such special taxing district in accordance with the Report and Recommendations, and the provisions of Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA that

Section 1. In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 18 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, a special taxing district to be known and designated as the Deering Groves Plat Multipurpose Maintenance and Street Lighting Special Taxing District is hereby created and established in the unincorporated area of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Section 2. The area or boundaries of this Special Taxing District are as follows:

A portion of Section 27, Township 56 South, Range 39 East, Miami-Dade County, Florida (a.k.a. Deering Groves Plat, Tentative Plat # T-23640); being more particularly described as follows:

Tract "D" of "Tuscany Place Plat", according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 159, Page 95, of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

And

The S ½ of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 27, Township 56 South, Range 39 East, lying and being in Miami-Dade County, Florida

The S ½ of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 27,
Township 56 South, Range 39 East, lying and being in Miami-
Dade County, Florida

The areas and geographical locations of this Special Taxing District are shown on the map or sketch attached to the Report and Recommendations of the County's Mayor or County Mayor's designee, labeled "Exhibit A" and made a part herein by reference.

Section 3. The services to be provided within this Special Taxing District will initially consist of the following:

- A) Maintenance of landscaped swales, medians, common areas, any entrance features, and the exterior of any fencing or walls within the Special Taxing District's boundaries abutting public rights-of-way, including maintenance of turf, trees, shrubs, irrigation, and utility payments, should any association or community development district fail to provide these services. The Special Taxing District will also maintain the private road area if there is a failure to provide maintenance within the private road area as defined in a non-exclusive easement granted to Miami-Dade County and recorded in the Public Records.
- B) Street lighting services described in the County Mayor's memorandum to the Board, which is adopted and incorporated herein.

Section 4. A) Multipurpose Maintenance – The combined costs of the multipurpose maintenance project and operation of the Special Taxing District's improvements and/or services including engineering, administration, billing, collecting and processing, for the first year are provided by petitioner(s), and \$22,174.34 for the second year. It is estimated that the cost per assessable square foot of real property within the Special Taxing District for the initial multipurpose maintenance program shall be provided by petitioner(s) for the first year, and \$0.0599 for the second year. The second and succeeding years' assessments will be adjusted from actual experience.

B) Street Lighting Services – The installation of the street lighting will be accomplished pursuant to an agreement between Miami-Dade County and Florida Power and Light. The expected costs of the installation and operation of the Special Taxing District’s improvements, including service, maintenance, electricity, engineering, administration, billing, collection and processing, for the first year are provided by petitioner(s) and estimated to be \$12,433.43. The expected costs of the Special Taxing District’s improvements including service, maintenance, electricity, engineering, administration, billing, collection and processing for the second year are estimated to be \$3,199.96. The expected estimated cost per assessable front foot of real property within the Special Taxing District for the second year is \$2.1963. The second and succeeding years’ assessments will be adjusted from actual experience.

Section 5. A) Multipurpose Maintenance – Miami-Dade County, as administrator of this Special Taxing District’s maintenance program, is directed to provide service by the most effective and efficient means available on a yearly basis, as detailed in the Report and Recommendations which is made a part hereof by reference. If there is a proposed significant change to the level of service to be provided, the Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department shall conduct a meeting in the community, inviting all affected Special Taxing District property owners for the purpose of reviewing the Special Taxing District’s budget and level of service.

B) Street Lighting Services – The proposed street lighting agreement between Miami-Dade County and Florida Power and Light is hereby approved and made a part hereof by reference, and the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee and the Clerk or Deputy Clerk of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County.

Section 6. A) Multipurpose Maintenance – The County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee is authorized and directed to cause to be made the maintenance and operation of various public improvements to be installed within the Special Taxing District in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance. However, multipurpose maintenance services will be provided by the Special Taxing District in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance only if an association and, if applicable, a community development district, have failed to provide these maintenance services and the County has adopted this Special Taxing District’s multipurpose maintenance assessment roll.

B) Street Lighting Services – The County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee is authorized and directed to cause the installation of the required street lights to be accomplished within the Special Taxing District in accordance with the provisions of said agreement and with the terms of this Ordinance.

Section 7. The County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee is further directed to cause to be prepared and filed with the Clerk of the Board one Preliminary Assessment Roll for the street lighting services, in accordance with the provisions of Section 18-14 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida. As authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, all special assessments levied and imposed under the provisions of this Ordinance shall be collected subject to the provisions of Chapter 197, Florida Statutes, in the same manner and at the same time as ad valorem taxes. In accordance with utilization of the ad valorem tax collection method, if such special assessments are not paid, when due, the potential for loss of title to the property exists. Furthermore, it is hereby declared that said improvements and/or services will be a special benefit to all properties within the Special Taxing District and the total amount of special assessments to be levied as aforesaid will not be in excess of such special benefit.

Section 8. A duly certified copy of this Ordinance shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and recorded in the appropriate book of records.

Section 9. The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its enactment, unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED:

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency:

Prepared by:

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