

Memorandum



Date: July 21, 2026

To: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Item No. 8(G)(4)

From: Daniella Levine Cava
Mayor

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Subject: Setting of Proposed FY 2026-27 Countywide Voter-Approved Debt Service
Millage Rate

Executive Summary

This item seeks approval of the Countywide Voter-Approved Debt Service (Debt Service) millage rate. The recommended Countywide voter-approved Debt Service millage rate of 0.3937 provides revenue to support the Building Better Communities General Bond Obligation Bond (GOB) Program and Safe Neighborhood Parks Program (0.3042 mills) and the Public Health Trust GOB program (0.0895 mills) as provided for in the FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget.

During my tenure as Mayor, the County has maintained a strong financial position with consistently strong credit and favorable interest rates that translate directly into hundreds of millions of dollars in savings for taxpayers. We have received thirteen credit rating upgrades, while other credit ratings have remained consistently strong across multiple credits from Fitch, Kroll, Moody's, and Standard and Poor's Rating Agencies. According to the rating reports, key credit positives attributed to the rating decisions include the County's strong financial position, policy effectiveness and transparent governance profile. These ratings also reflect the hard work of our Bond Acquisition Administration Division and the many departments involved in our debt management process.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the Debt Service millage rate of 0.3937 mills, as proposed in the FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget, for use in preparing the "Notice of Proposed Property Taxes" to be mailed to all property owners in August.

Scope

State law requires that all property owners be advised of proposed property taxes along with notification of public budget hearings. The Property Appraiser will mail required notices to all property owners in August using proposed tax rates adopted by all taxing authorities in Miami-Dade County.

Delegated Authority

This item contains no delegations of authority to the County Mayor or Mayor's designee.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The millage rate recommended will generate \$202.047 million in ad valorem revenue to support debt service payments for Countywide voter-approved debt.

Track Record/Monitor

Not applicable.

Background

The recommended Countywide voter-approved Debt Service millage rate of 0.3937 provides revenue to support the Building Better Communities General Bond Obligation Bond (GOB) Program and Safe

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Neighborhood Park Program (0.3042 mills) and the Public Health Trust GOB program (0.0895 mills) as provided for in the FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget.



Carladenise A. Edwards
Chief Administrative Officer

Memorandum



Date: July 14, 2026

To: Honorable Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Ray Baker, Director
Office of Management and Budget

Subject: Request to Process Late Departmental Item

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I am requesting that the following items be placed on the July 21, 2026 Board of County Commissioners Agenda.

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 UNINCORPORATED MUNICIPAL SERVICE AREA OPERATING MILLAGE RATE

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT OPERATING MILLAGE RATE

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 LIBRARY DISTRICT OPERATING MILLAGE RATE

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 COUNTYWIDE OPERATING MILLAGE RATE

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 COUNTYWIDE DEBT SERVICE MILLAGE RATE

RESOLUTION SETTING THE DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 PROPOSED PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS

Although these items have not met the noticed deadline and have been provided to the Agenda Coordination Office late, it is important these items move forward with the requested timeline.

Therefore, please process the items notwithstanding that the 4-day rule may be applicable to them. I am aware that these items are subject to approval for placement on the agenda by the BCC Chairman, and review by the Office of the County Attorney.

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Approved by Mayor or Mayor's Designee
Signature

Carladenise Edwards
Print Name

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Approved by Legislative Director or Designee
Signature

Demetria Henderson
Print Name

C: Geri Bonzon-Keenan, County Attorney
Jess M. McCarty, First Assistant County Attorney
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MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: July 21, 2026

FROM: 
Glen Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(G)(4)

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
- ☐ Requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 2/3 members present but not less than 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 9 votes (2/3 membership) ____) to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR
2026-27 COUNTYWIDE DEBT SERVICE MILLAGE RATE

WHEREAS, section 200.065, Florida Statutes, establishes and describes the requirement that the governing body of each taxing authority hold public hearings on the tentative budget and proposed millage rates, and requires that, within 35 days of certification of value by the Property Appraiser, each taxing authority advise the Property Appraiser of its proposed millage rate and rolled-back rate and of the date, time and place at which a public hearing will be held to consider the proposed millage rates and tentative budget so that the information can be included in the notice of proposed property taxes mailed to property owners in August; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum from the County Mayor, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Countywide debt service millage rate equal to 0.3937 is approved for transmittal to the Property Appraiser.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman

Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman

Marleine Bastien

Sen. René García

Roberto J. Gonzalez

Danielle Cohen Higgins

Natalie Milian Orbis

Micky Steinberg

Juan Carlos Bermudez

Oliver G. Gilbert, III

Keon Hardemon

Vicki L. Lopez

Raquel A. Regalado

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 21st day of July, 2026. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

RFA

Richard Appleton
Michael B. Valdes