Purpose of Today’s Meeting

- Required by Florida Statutes 200.065
  - Discuss the millage rates and their percentage increase over rollback where applicable
  - Explain the reasons for the proposed increase over rollback

- Opportunity for the public to speak and ask questions

- Adopt the millage rates (final adoption at the 2nd budget hearing)

- Adopt the recommended budget (final adoption at the 2nd budget hearing)
Budget Process So Far

- Budget and service level presentation from January through May
  - Sought direction for any operational changes and previewed potential increases

- Capital plan and five-year forecast presented in June
  - Gives a short and long-term look at the financial health of our funds and previews the recommended budget at a more in-depth level

- Recommended budget presented to Council in July and tentative rates set

- Funding of Constitutional offices presented August 1st

- Special meeting in August to eliminate Communications Service Tax
Changes Since July’s Recommended Budget

- Reduction in MSD Fund – ($3,036,929)
  - Communications Service Tax eliminated
  - Reduced anticipated revenue for fiscal year 2023-24
  - Reserves were adjusted to account for the change in revenue
    - MSD reserves prior to change - $38,388,711
    - MSD reserves after change - $35,351,782
## Millage Rate Comparison

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General Fund & Public Safety Millage

- Officially the General Fund is being set below the rolled-back rate due to the creation of the Public Safety Fund.
- Prior to this year, county-wide law enforcement services funded out of the Public Safety fund were part of the General Fund millage.
- In future years, the Public Safety Fund will have its own rolled-back rate calculation.
- Fiscal Year 2022-23 General Fund Millage 4.8499
  - Fiscal Year 2023-24 tentative General Fund Millage – 3.3958
  - Fiscal Year 2023-24 tentative Public Safety Fund Millage – 1.4541
    - Combined millage for General Fund and Public Safety Fund – 4.8499
General Fund & Public Safety Fund – Comparison to Rollback Rate

- Ad Valorem Tax Revenue at Combined 4.8499 Mills - $256,589,063
- Ad Valorem Tax Revenue at 4.4192 Mills - $233,802,425
  - Additional $22,786,638 in Ad Valorem Tax Revenue

- Additional revenue dedicated to:
  - Increase in county-wide Sheriff’s Office funding - $11,250,532
  - Salary & benefit increases for unions and non-bargaining staff - $6,551,614
    - Wages - $2,806,373; Retirement - $2,307,059; Health Insurance - $1,185,083; Other - $253,099
  - Inmate medical expenses increase - $2,793,871
  - Increase in required CRA payments - $1,303,162
  - Increase to Supervisor of Elections budget - $1,239,110
  - Property Appraiser Ad Valorem Commissions - $1,043,104
  - Increase in property insurance costs - $996,412
  - Tax Collector Ad Valorem Commissions - $828,618
  - Utility costs - $620,107
Volusia Forever & ECHO – Comparison to Rollback Rate

- Ad Valorem Tax Revenue at 0.2000 Mills - $10,581,244
- Ad Valorem Tax Revenue at 0.1818 Mills - $9,618,350
  - Additional $962,894 in Ad Valorem Tax Revenue

- Both programs are recommended at the maximum millage rate approved by the voters of Volusia County
  - Additional revenue for ECHO program will allow for more grant opportunities
  - Additional revenue for Volusia Forever will provide more funding for land purchases and land conservation management
Mosquito Control – Comparison to Rollback Rate

- Ad Valorem Tax Revenue at 0.1781 Mills - $6,599,626
- Ad Valorem Tax Revenue at 0.1622 Mills - $6,010,440
  - Additional $589,186 in Ad Valorem Tax Revenue

- Additional revenue is needed to provide funding for the Mosquito Control facility
  - Part of a multi-year funding plan to replace antiquated facility
Fire Rescue – Comparison to Rollback Rate

- Ad Valorem Tax Revenue at 3.8412 Mills - $42,007,654
- Ad Valorem Tax Revenue at 3.4649 Mills - $37,892,409
  - Additional $4,115,245 in Ad Valorem Tax Revenue

- Additional revenue is needed to fund union contract
  - Increase in personnel salary and benefit costs for Fire estimated at $3,638,865
- Remainder of additional revenue is dedicated to capital needs
  - Station 15 relocation is estimated at $15,015,000
## Budgets & Taxes by Taxing Fund

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Countywide Operating Revenues - $1,194,011,655

- **Ad Valorem Taxes**: $358,053,709 (30.0%)
- **Appropriated Fund Balance**: $464,915,807 (38.9%)
- **Other Taxes**: $65,660,514 (5.5%)
- **Charges for Services**: $138,415,487 (11.6%)
- **Judgement, Fines, Forfeitures**: $2,341,257 (0.2%)
- **Intergovernmental**: $75,876,059 (6.4%)
- **CRA Pass Thru**: $11,250,693 (0.9%)
- **Permits, Fees, & Special Assessments**: $31,054,547 (2.6%)
- **Transfers from Other Funds**: $16,368,032 (1.4%)
- **Miscellaneous Revenues**: $30,075,550 (2.5%)
Countywide Operating Expenditures by Category - $1,194,011,655

- Debt Service, 14,407,791, 1.2%
- Interfund Transfers, 157,643,491, 13.2%
- Operating Expenses, 282,007,002, 23.6%
- Personnel Services, 217,683,126, 18.2%
- Capital Improvements, 120,760,419, 10.1%
- Capital Outlay, 15,338,817, 1.3%
- Reserves - Other, 68,723,942, 5.8%
- Reserves - Transportation, 70,779,758, 5.9%
- Reserves - Enterprise Funds, 83,558,439, 7.0%
- Reserves - Emergency, 34,688,419, 2.9%
- Reserves - ECHO/Forever, 45,388,708, 3.8%
- Reserves - Future Capital, 83,031,743, 7.0%
- Reserves - Transportation, 70,779,758, 5.9%
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Fiscal Year 2023-24 Recommended Budget

Operating Budget: $1,194,011,655

Non-Operating Budget: $203,773,659
Confirming Second Public Hearing

- Hearing will be advertised in the News Journal, ad will include:
  - Notice of tax increase
  - Budget summary

- Hearing to be held on Tuesday September 19, 2023 at 6:00 PM