

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE COLLECTION OF STREETLIGHTING ASSESSMENTS

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO RE-IMPOSE AND PROVIDE FOR COLLECTION OF RESIDENTIAL STREET LIGHTING SERVICE ASSESSMENTS

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, will conduct a public hearing to re-impose Residential Street Lighting Assessments (the "Assessments") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024, within the Residential Street Lighting Assessment Areas against certain residential property located within the incorporated area of the City, to fund the cost of residential street lighting services, facilities, and programs, and to authorize collection of such assessments on the tax bill. The assessment will be collected by the St. Lucie County Tax Collector. The services, facilities, and programs to be provided are the benefit of streetlighting structures and services to residential properties within the City's street lighting boundaries.

The Residential Street Lighting Service Assessments will be computed by multiplying the number of platted residential lots on each parcel by the rate of assessment. The proposed rate of assessment for fiscal year 2024-2025 is \$26.00, which represents no rate increase from last year. The total revenue that the City will collect by the Assessments is estimated to be \$491,981.62 for fiscal year 2024-2025.

A public hearing (the "Hearing") will be held during the regular City Council meeting on Monday, September 9, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, Building A, 121 S.W. Port St. Lucie Blvd., Port St. Lucie, Florida 34984 for the purpose of: (a) receiving and considering comments on the Assessments from affected property owners and the public; (b) considering the adoption of the annual rate resolution for the upcoming fiscal year; and (c) authorizing the re-imposition of the Assessments for residential street lighting services for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024, and collecting such assessments on the same bill as ad valorem taxes. Attendance at the Hearing is NOT mandatory. Please visit http://www.cityofpsl.com/tv for new public comment. At the Hearing, the Council will hear objections of all interested persons to the annual rate resolution establishing the rate of assessment and approving the updated assessment roll. All affected property owners have the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections with the City Clerk within twenty (20) calendar days of the date of this notice.

Copies of the Residential Street Lighting Assessment Ordinance (Ordinance No. 09-64) and the Preliminary Rate Resolution initiating the annual process of updating the assessment roll and re-imposing the Assessments, and the updated Assessment Roll of the 2024 tax roll year are available for inspection at the City Clerk's office, located at City Hall, Building A, 121 S.W. Port St. Lucie Blvd., Port St. Lucie, Florida 34984. All interested persons may ascertain the amount to be assessed against a parcel of assessed property at the City of Port St. Lucie's Finance Department.

All objections to the annual rate resolution by the Council shall be made in writing and filed with the City Clerk at or before the time or adjourned time of the Hearing. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at the above-referenced hearing, such person will be responsible for making a verbatim record of the testimony, evidence, and any other matters presented at the hearing. No stenographic record by a certified court reporter will be provided at the hearing. Each such person is required to provide his or her own. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodations should contact the ADA Coordinator at (772) 344-4345 at least seven (7) days prior to the hearing.

Unless proper steps are initiated with a court of competent jurisdiction to secure relief within thirty (30) days from the date of City Council action at the above hearing, such action shall be the final adjudication of the issues presented. Copies of the legal documentation for the street light assessment roll are available in the City Clerk's office, located at 121 S.W. Port St. Lucie Blvd., Port St. Lucie, Florida 34984. Please direct general inquiries to the 1PSL at (772) 871-1775 weekdays between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm. The Assessments will be collected on the non-ad valorem portion of the tax bill

to be mailed in November, 2024, as authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes. Failure to pay the Assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property or foreclosure proceedings to be instituted, either of which may result in a loss of title to the property. Unpaid or delinquent fees, charges, or assessments due the City for residential street lighting services allocable to specific parcels will be additionally included in the annual residential street lighting service assessment.

CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA

Area to be assessed:

