

# City of Port St. Lucie

## Special City Council

### Meeting Minutes - Draft

121 SW Port St. Lucie  
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Port St. Lucie, Florida  
34984

Shannon M. Martin, Mayor

Jolien Caraballo, Vice Mayor, District IV  
Stephanie Morgan, Councilwoman, District I  
Dave Pickett, Councilman, District II  
Anthony Bonna, Councilman, District III

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**Monday, September 23, 2024**

**5:30 PM**

**Council Chambers, City Hall**

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**\*Budget Hearing\* \*Meeting to follow the 5:00 PM CRA Meeting\***

1. Meeting Called to Order

A Special Meeting of the CITY COUNCIL of the City of Port St. Lucie was called to order by Mayor Martin on September 23, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., at Port St. Lucie City Hall, 121 SW Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida.

2. Roll Call

Council Members Present:

Mayor Shannon Martin

Vice Mayor Jolien Caraballo

Councilwoman Stephanie Morgan

Councilman Dave Pickett

Council Members Not Present:

Councilman Anthony Bonna

3. Pledge of Allegiance

(Clerk's Note: This item was heard at a previous meeting.)

4. Public to be Heard

There was nothing heard under this item.

5. Second Reading of Ordinances, Public Hearing

**5.a** Ordinance 24-51, Public Hearing, an Ordinance Adopting the  
Ad Valorem Millage Rate for the Fiscal Year (FY) October 1,  
2024 to September 30, 2025; Providing an Effective Date.

**[2024-859](#)**

The City Clerk read Ordinance 24-51 aloud by title only. (Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Caroline Sturgis, Office of Management & Budget Director, provided a brief presentation that outlined the FY24/25 Budget and explained the tax bill.

Vice Mayor Caraballo requested an update on Floresta Drive Phase 3 as well as the County's total ad valorem taxes received from the City, Unincorporated County, and the City of Ft. Pierce. Vice Mayor Caraballo requested that staff amend the slide regarding the Prima Vista project, as the County was not contributing to the project but were responsible for their owned portion of the road. Mayor Martin stated that the tax structure was voted on by the State of Florida, therefore the City did not have authority over it. Vice Mayor Caraballo discussed portability to help with the tax rate. Ms. Sturgis requested that the City Council adopt the Millage Rate of 4.6807 and a Debt Service Millage of 0.3743, for a total millage of 5.0550 as well as the FY24/25 Budget of \$851,042,15 and the FY24/25 Capital Improvement Program.

Mayor Martin opened the Public Hearing, there being no one to speak, she closed the Public Hearing.

Vice Mayor Caraballo moved to approve Ordinance 24-51. Councilman Pickett seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

- 5.b** Ordinance 24-52, Public Hearing, an Ordinance Adopting the Budget Ordinance for the Fiscal Year (FY) October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025; Providing an Effective Date.

[2024-860](#)

The City Clerk read Ordinance 24-52 aloud by title only.

Mayor Martin opened the Public Hearing, there being no one to speak, she closed the Public Hearing.

There being no discussion, Councilman Pickett moved to approve Ordinance 24-52. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

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Sally Walsh, City Clerk

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Shanna Donleavy, Deputy City Clerk