

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA ELECTING TO USE THE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS LEVIED IN ALL OR PART OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA; STATING A NEED FOR SUCH LEVY; PROVIDING FOR THE MAILING OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY. This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the provisions of Article VIII, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Florida, Chapter 166, Florida Statutes, the Charter of the City of Springfield, Florida, Chapter 189, Florida Statutes, sections 197.3632 and 197.3635 (collectively, the "Uniform Collection Act"), and other applicable provisions of law.

SECTION 2. FINDINGS. It is hereby ascertained, determined and declared:

(A) The City Commission of the City of Springfield, Florida ("City") is contemplating the imposition and collection of one or more series of special assessments, sometimes referred to as non-ad valorem assessments, for the provision of capital infrastructure and essential services which benefit properties or relieve burdens created by properties, including but not limited to, fire protection services and facilities (the "Assessments").

(B) The City desires to preserve the option to use the uniform method for collecting non-ad valorem assessments to fund the cost of providing such Assessments to property within the City as authorized by the Uniform Collection Act, which will allow such assessments to be collected each year commencing in November 2014, in the same manner as provided for ad valorem taxes. A description of the boundaries of the City is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

(C) Evidence the City obtained the required agreement to adopt this Resolution before March 1, 2014 from the Property Appraiser and Tax Collector in conformance with section 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The City has held a duly advertised public hearing for the purpose of considering the

adoption of this Resolution, proof of publication of the notice for such hearing being attached hereto as Exhibit C.

SECTION 3. UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS.

(A) Commencing with the ad valorem tax bills issued in November 2014 and each year thereafter, the City hereby preserves the opportunity to and announces its intention to use the uniform method authorized by the Uniform Collection Act for collecting non-ad valorem assessments associated with providing the Assessments.

(B) The City hereby determines that the levy of such Assessments is needed to pay or fund the cost of providing such services and facilities.

(C) Adoption of this Resolution is solely for the purpose of complying with the statutory requirements that the City publicly announce to the Florida Department of Revenue, the Property Appraiser, and the Tax Collector that it may levy non-ad valorem special assessments and use the uniform method of collection.

(D) Adoption of this Resolution shall not be deemed to commit or require the City to impose any assessments or collect the same in any particular manner.

(E) Upon adoption, the City Clerk of the City, or designee thereof, is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution by United States mail to the Florida Department of Revenue, the Property Appraiser and Tax Collector by March 10, 2014.

SECTION 4. CONSTRUCTION; EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall be liberally construed to effect the purposes hereof and shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3 day of March, 2014.

CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA

By: Ralph Hammond
Ralph Hammond, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lee Penton
Lee Penton, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

By: Kevin Obos
Kevin Obos, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD

THE ENTIRE INCORPORATED AREA OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA

EXHIBIT B

**CERTIFICATES THE CITY OBTAINED AGREEMENTS FROM THE TAX
COLLECTOR AND PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ADOPT THIS RESOLUTION
BEFORE MARCH 1, 2014**