

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-06**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, BAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE LEVY OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, BAY COUNTY, FLORIDA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield of Bay County, Florida, on September 19, 2018, adopted Fiscal Year 2018-2019 final Millage Rates follow a public hearing as required by section 200.065, Florida Statutes; and

Whereas, the City of Springfield of Bay County, Florida, held a public hearing as required by section 200.065 Florida Statutes; and


Whereas, the gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation within the City of Springfield, Bay County, has been certified by the Bay County Property Appraiser to the City of Springfield as \$205,411,183.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Springfield in Bay County, Florida, that:

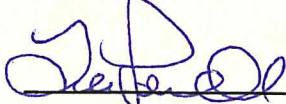
1. The FY 2018-2019 operating millage rate for the City of Springfield is [3.465] mills which is a increase over the rolled back rate by 1.3%
2. This Resolution shall be in force and take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption by the City Commission.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Springfield, Florida, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, FLORIDA

  
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Ralph Hammond, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Lee Penton, City Clerk



# The News Herald

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P.O. Box 1940, Panama City, FL 32401  
Published Daily  
Panama City, Bay County, Florida

## State of Florida County of Bay

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Susan Collins, who on oath says that she is a Legal Advertising Representative of The News Herald, a newspaper published at Panama City in Bay County, Florida; that the attached copy of advertisement, being a Legal Advertisement #185341 in the matter of PUBLIC NOTICE - City of Springfield in the Bay County Court, was published in said newspaper in the issue of August 13, 2018.

Affiant further says that the said The News Herald is a newspaper published at Panama City, in said Bay County, Florida, *is a direct successor of the Panama City News* and that the said newspaper, *together with its direct predecessor*, has heretofore been continuously published in said Bay County, Florida, each day (except that the predecessor, *Panama City News*, was not published on Sundays) and has been entered as periodicals matter at the post office in Panama City, in said Bay County, Florida, for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement, and affiant further says that (s)he has neither paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in said newspaper.

Susan Collins

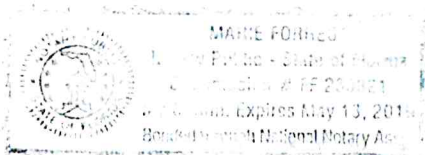
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of August, A.D., 2018.

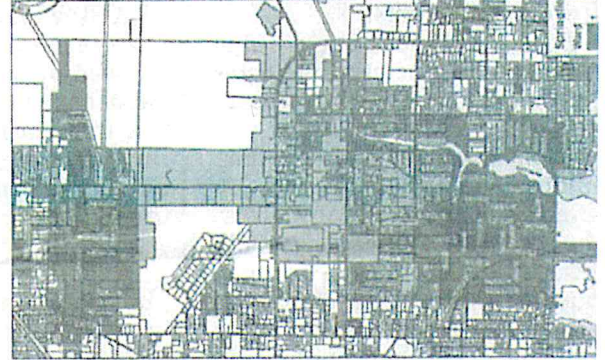
By Susan Collins, Legal Advertising Representative of The News Herald, who is personally known to me or has produced N/A as identification.

Marie Joubert

Notary Public, State of Florida at Large



### NOTICE OF ANNUAL HEARING TO IMPOSE AND PROVIDE FOR COLLECTION OF NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO FUND IN PART THE COSTS OF FIRE PROTECTION WITH THE CONTINUAL READINESS TO PROVIDE FIRE PROTECTION



The property subject to assessment lies within the City of Springfield, Florida.

For several years the City Commission of the City of Springfield, Florida (the "City"), has adopted a non-ad valorem assessment to defray a portion of the annual operating and capital costs associated with the Fire Department. The City Commission's goal was to put in place a supplemental and alternative means to fund budget shortfalls and work to achieve financial sustainability, so that the rates of assessment for fire protection services, facilities, and improvements will in all likelihood continue next year to be funded, in part, by assessments against property located within the City limits. The remainder of the fire protection budget is funded by other legally available revenues (most of which are limited ad valorem property taxes) and other revenues. This is a challenging balancing process this community must address annually. Please read the special assessments for each parcel of property will be based on the same benefits or burdens associated with the availability of fire protection constantly made available every day to all tax parcels. The same two-tier rate structure as last year, which was the subject of judicial approval prior to the implementation in 2013. The City Commission does not propose to increase the rates of assessment in the coming year on the relative improvements value associated with each tax parcel (no land value is generally used in the variable and possibly some fixed costs. Tier 2 is a fixed rate per tax parcel focused on more fixed costs. This program is available in City Ordinance No. 511 codified in Article V, of the Code of City Ordinances and can be found at <https://library.municode.com/fl/springfield> under Funding of Fire Protection Services, Facilities and Program.

On September 4, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. the City Commission will hold a public hearing at City Hall, Springfield, Florida, 32401, for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed annual general law will be collected by the County tax collector pursuant to the tax bill collection Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes.

You are invited to appear at the public hearing, and/or to file written objections with the City Clerk or the City Commission at the above address within 20 days of this notice. If you decide to appeal any decision of the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, you will need a record of the proceedings that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

Each parcel of property assigned an identification number by the County property appraiser. If approved by City Commission after the hearing, the rate of assessment for each tax parcel is: (i) \$0.76 per \$1,000 of the value of improvements attributed to the tax parcel by the County property appraiser; (ii) \$88.31 per tax parcel (Tier 2), together with (iii) a \$4.56 charge to share City administration and collection with the annual assessment. This is the same rate of assessment as imposed for FY 2017-18. The information concerning the proposed non-ad valorem assessment attributable to each tax parcel is available online at <https://www.springfieldfl.net> and at <http://quicksearch.enneed-data.com/springfield> or by inquiry at the offices of the City Clerk, at City Hall. The total revenue the City expects to collect after adjustments for statutory discounts and amounts payable to the property appraiser and tax collector collection process, is approximately \$479,248. This annual assessment is for the purpose of funding the readiness and availability of essential services and capital facilities and equipment associated with fire protection.

Payment is anticipated to be due and collected on the same bill as taxes to be mailed around the same time. The bill collection method also sometimes is called the uniform method of collection. As a courtesy reminder that until paid, the fire assessment will constitute a lien against assessed property equal in rank and priority to state, county, district, or municipal taxes and other non-ad valorem assessments. Assessments become delinquent in the same manner as for unpaid taxes, and failure to pay the upcoming assessment and your property taxes will be issued against the property which may result in loss of title. Reading this notice and explanation to the City pays and collects for its services – and how it uses your financial support as a property owner –

**PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES NEEDING ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING SHOULD CONTACT THE CITY CLERK AT LEAST 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AT (850) 872-7570.**

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