

CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

**TRIM PUBLIC HEARING
September 19, 2024, 5:01 p.m.**

2300 High Ridge Road, Boynton Beach, FL 33426

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bean called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm. Roll call was taken. Present were the following:

Alexandria Ayala
Thomas Bean
Mike Burke
Jose Luis Rodriguez
Robert Shea
Thomas Weber

Excused:

Sara Baxter; Vincent Goodman; Kathleen Kroll

2. AGENDA

- A. Additions, deletions, substitutions - None
- B. Adoption

A motion by Ayala/Burke to adopt the agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

3. 2024-25 MILLAGE RATE - .4908

- A. Percent increase above rolled-back rate 8.22%

Debra Gotlib, General Counsel, stated that the millage rate proposed is .4908. The millage rate tentatively adopted at the first Trim hearing was .4908. This represents an 8.22% increase over the rolled-back rate.

- B. Presentation of Resolution #24-028

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Debra Gotlib, General Counsel, stated that the first Resolution in your packet is Resolution 24-028, which states that the millage rate is .4908. The rolled-back rate is .4535 mills. The percentage above the rolled-back rate is 8.22%.

C. Public Comment

- There was one public comment. A resident of the County spoke in support of the proposed millage and CSC programs and future millage increases to support childcare.

D. Reading of Statutory Statement

Debra Gotlib, General Counsel, stated that, as required by Section 200.065 Florida Statutes, I hereby state that the Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County which has .4535 mills as its rolled-back rate, will be adopting a millage rate of .4908 to be levied for fiscal year 2024-2025 which represents an 8.22 percent increase over the rolled-back rate.

E. Resolution of Final Adoption

A motion by Ayala/Weber to approve Resolution #24-028 adopting a millage rate of .4908 for fiscal year 2024-2025 which is 8.22% over the rolled-back rate was approved by a majority of the Council by a vote of 5-1. Jose Luis Rodriguez opposed.

4. 2024-25 BUDGET

A. Presentation of Resolution #24-029

Debra Gotlib, General Counsel, stated that in your packet, you have Resolution 24-029 which is the resolution to adopt the budget for fiscal year 2024-2025. The budget is attached as Exhibit A to the Resolution and reflects a total budget amount of \$167,588,571.

B. Review

Debbie Heim, Chief Financial Officer, stated that this is the same budget presented is the same as the budget presented and tentatively approved on September 11, 2024, at the first TRIM Hearing. The total budget for FY 24-25 is \$167,588,571 and is increasing 8.04% vs. prior year.

- The Proposed Budget is increasing primarily to support an increase in direct program services including:

- natural cost drivers for existing programs,
- expansions of programs such as childcare scholarships and summer camps,
- services for teens and children with special needs, ○ increases in concrete supports and

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- other opportunities

There were no questions from Council members.

C. Public Comments

- There were no public comments.

D. Resolution of Final Adoption


A motion by Ayala/Weber to approve Resolution #24-029 and adopt the total budget of \$167,588,571 for fiscal year 2024-2025 was approved by a majority of the Council by a vote 5 to 1. Jose Luis Rodriguez opposed.

5. **Announcement of Percent by which Proposed Millage Rate is More than the Rolled-Back Rate 8.22%**

Debra Gotlib, General Counsel, stated that, with no change to the millage rate of .4908, the percentage over the rolled-back rate is 8.22%.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 pm.

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Thomas Bean, Chair

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Lisa Williams-Taylor, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer