

RESOLUTION NO. 25-R-_____

A RESOLUTION OF MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF SOLID WASTE SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS IN THE MARION COUNTY MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT UNIT FOR RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SOLID WASTE ASSESSMENTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE MARION COUNTY MUNICIPAL SERVICES BENEFIT UNIT FOR RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE SERVICES, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2025; APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Article II of Chapter 16 of the Marion County Code of Ordinances, (collectively, the "Ordinance"), Section 16-73, provides that, on each October 1, there is imposed and levied a solid waste assessment against all assessable property within the Marion County Municipal Services Benefit Unit for Residential Solid Waste Services (hereafter, "MSBU"), and further directs the Board of County Commissioners to annually establish the amount of the solid waste assessment for waste services, facilities, and waste management programs, against Assessed Property located within the Marion County Municipal Services Benefit Unit for Residential Solid Waste Services;

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Resolution is to establish the amount of the solid waste assessments in the Marion County Municipal Service Benefit Unit for Residential Solid Waste Services using the procedures provided by the Ordinance, including the uniform method of collection of non-ad valorem assessments for the Fiscal Year beginning on October 1, 2025;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Section 16-76 of the Ordinance, the Board is required to adopt an Annual Assessment Resolution establishing the rate of assessment to be imposed in the upcoming Fiscal Year and approving the Assessment Roll for such Fiscal Year with such adjustments as the Board deems just and right, after hearing comments and objections of all interested parties;

WHEREAS, the solid waste director has provided the Board with a proposed budget for the county services to be financed by the MSBU and a proposed Assessment Roll, which has heretofore been made available for inspection by the public;

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing has been published and mailed to all persons for whom notice is required, which provides notice to all interested persons of an opportunity to be heard; an affidavit regarding the form of notice mailed being attached hereto as Appendix A and the proof of publication being attached hereto as Appendix B;

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on September 10, 2025, and comments and objections of all interested persons have been heard and considered as required by the terms of the Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1.

- A. The parcels of Assessed Property described in the Assessment Roll, as updated, which is hereby approved, are hereby found to be specially benefited by the provision of the residential solid waste services, facilities, and programs described within Section 16-72 of the Ordinance, and further described as providing, operating, maintaining, monitoring, and closing parts or portions of the baseline landfill, recycling centers, and other county solid waste management facilities that are or previously were available for the disposal of residential waste; providing litter collection and related enforcement activities; providing recycling and household hazardous waste management facilities and programs; and providing for the construction and/or acquisition of additions, extensions and improvements to county's solid waste management facilities in the amount of the Solid Waste Assessment set forth in the Assessment Roll, a copy of which was present or available for inspection at the above referenced public hearing and is incorporated herein by reference.
- B. It is hereby ascertained, determined and declared that each parcel of Assessed Property within the MSBU will be specially benefitted by the County's provision of residential solid waste services, facilities, and programs in an amount not less than the Solid Waste Assessment for such parcel, computed in the manner set forth in this Annual Rate Resolution. Adoption of this Annual Rate Resolution constitutes a legislative determination that all parcels assessed derive a special benefit in a manner consistent with the legislative declarations, determinations and findings as set forth in the Ordinance, the Initial Assessment Resolution, as amended, and the Final Assessment Resolution, from the residential solid waste services, facilities, or programs to be provided and a legislative determination that the Solid Waste Assessments are fairly and reasonably apportioned among the properties that receive the special benefit as set forth herein.

SECTION 2. The Board of County Commissioners hereby establishes the amount of the assessment for the MSBU for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, as follows:

- A. The number of residential units, as defined in the Ordinance, is: 169,883.50
- B. The amount of assessment per residential unit is: \$ 215.00
- C. The budget, being the total amount of special assessments to be Collected minus five percent (5%) as required by Section 129.01, Florida Statutes, is:
\$ 36,524,952.50 minus (5%) \$ 1,826,247.63 \$ 34,698,704.87

SECTION 3. In accordance with the provisions of Florida law and the Ordinance, the above special assessments are to be collected in the same manner, and subject to the same procedures, as ad valorem taxes.

SECTION 4. The Board hereby certifies that all required hearings have been held and proper notices given in accordance with Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes.

SECTION 5. The Board certifies the Special Assessment Roll, and a copy of this Resolution is to be attached to the Special Assessment Roll for the MSBU, which is to be delivered to the Tax Collector of Marion County, with a copy to the Property Appraiser of Marion County. The Certificate to Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll is attached hereto as Appendix C.

SECTION 6. The Board specifies, pursuant to Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, that the assessment is to be collected for a period of more than one year.

SECTION 7. A copy of the MSBU budget is to be part of the Tentative Budget for Marion County for Fiscal Year 2025/2026.

DULY ADOPTED this 10th day of September, 2025.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Kathy Bryant, Chairman

ATTEST:

Gregory C. Harrell, Clerk

Approved for Form and Correctness:

By: _____
Matthew Minter, County Attorney