

RESOLUTION NO. 25-R-_____

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

WHEREAS, Article IV of Chapter 17 of the Marion County Code of Ordinances, (collectively, the “Ordinance”) authorizes the Board of County Commissioners to impose and levy a stormwater assessment against all assessable property within the stormwater service area, and further directs the Board to provide for annual assessment resolution setting the amount of stormwater assessment for stormwater services and stormwater management programs, as provided in the Ordinance;

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Resolution is to establish the amount of the stormwater assessments for stormwater services and stormwater management programs 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 17-128 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 stormwater director has provided the Board with a proposed budget for the county services to be financed by the Stormwater Program 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 stormwater services and stormwater management programs described or referenced herein, in the amount of the stormwater 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 stormwater service area will be specially benefitted by the County's provision of stormwater services and stormwater management programs in an amount not less than the stormwater 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 stormwater services and stormwater management programs to be provided and a legislative determination that the stormwater 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 stormwater management program for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, as follows:

- A. The number of ESU units, as defined in the Ordinance, is: 282,576.99
- B. Amount of Assessment per ESU Unit: \$15.00 maximum - \$10.57 minimum* \$ 15.00
*based upon the type of mitigation credit approved per parcel
- 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:
\$ 4,238,654.85 minus (5%) \$ 211,932.74 = \$ 4,026,722.11

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 Stormwater Program, 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 Stormwater Program 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