

Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Request

Date of Meeting: July 18, 2006

Date Submitted: July 3, 2006

To: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board

From: Marlon Brown, County Manager
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Subject: Authorization to Set Date for First Public Hearing on the FY 2007 Tentative Budget

Statement of Issue:

This item seeks Board authorization to establish a date for the first public hearing on the FY 2007 Tentative Budget.

Background:

Pursuant to Florida Statutes 129.03 and 200.065, on June 22, 2006 the County Property Appraiser certified to the County Budget Officer the taxable value against which taxes may be levied in the entire County and in each district in the County in which the taxes are authorized by law to be levied by the Board. In preparing the tentative budgets, these certified figures were used as the basis for estimating the millage rates required to be levied.

Analysis:

The Board is required to advise the County Property Appraiser of its proposed millage rates, its rolled-back rates, and the date, time, and place at which a public hearing would be held to consider the tentative millage rates and the tentative budgets in accordance with Florida Statute 129.03 and 200.065. The County Property Appraiser will utilize this information in preparing the notice of proposed property taxes pursuant to Florida Statute 200.069. These notices will be mailed to all respective property owners in Gadsden County.

Staff is recommending that the millage rate remain at 10 mills for the upcoming fiscal year and that the rolled back rate be calculated according to the methodology as outlined in the Florida Statutes. Furthermore, staff recommends that the date, time, and place of the first public hearing on the FY 2007 Tentative Budget be on Tuesday, September 5, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. in the Gadsden County Commission Chambers.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Options:

1. Approve the recommend millage rate of 10 mills and direct staff to calculate the rolled back rate according to the Florida Statutes

2. Set the date, time, and place of the first public hearing on the FY 2007 Tentative budget for Tuesday September 5, 2006, at 6:00 p.m. in the Gadsden County Commission Chambers.

3. Board Direction

Recommendation:

Options 1 and 2.