

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PORT RICHEY, FLORIDA PERTAINING TO THE USE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE SURTAX, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS “PENNY FOR PASCO”, ALLOCATED TO THE CITY OF NEW PORT RICHEY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY, SCHOOL BOARD AND MUNICIPALITIES, AND SECTION 212.055 (2), FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR PROPOSED USE OF SURTAX FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Pasco County has proposed a one (1) cent local government infrastructure surtax for consideration by the electors of Pasco County on November 8, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Pasco County has presented to the School Board and the other five municipalities within Pasco County an Interlocal Agreement governing the distribution of the said surtax if approved by the voters of the county and a general declaration by participating parties on the use of surtax proceeds, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit “A” (hereinafter “Interlocal Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to approve the Interlocal Agreement and set forth a general description of the projects to be funded by that portion of the sales surtax that will be received by the City of New Port Richey, in accordance with the Interlocal Agreement and ballot language.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of New Port Richey, Florida as follows:

Section 1. The Interlocal Agreement is hereby approved, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City.

Section 2. The City hereby approves the following utilization of surtax proceeds to finance, plan, acquire, design and construct infrastructure, including acquisition of land for the same, for infrastructure purposes and other purposes authorized by law in accordance with the Pasco County Infrastructure Ordinance, if approved by the electors of Pasco County, to include, but not be limited to:

1. Utilities

- Grant matches for utility Infrastructure projects
- Utility infrastructure improvements
- Expansion or replacement of utility systems to promote economic expansion
- Stormwater drainage enhancements in flood prone areas and water quality projects

2. Transportation
 - Paving of streets and right-of-ways
 - Sidewalk replacement and expansion projects
 - Multi-use trails and systems
 - Wayfinding and signage improvements
 - Parking area improvements
3. Public Safety
 - Scheduled vehicle replacement
 - Communications and Information Technology upgrades and or improvements
4. Public Facilities
 - New construction or building improvements
 - Replacement of equipment
 - Building hardening projects
 - Green building technologies and energy efficient projects
5. Economic Development
 - Neighborhood and downtown improvement projects
 - Eco-tourism and tourism
6. Community Redevelopment
 - Acquisition of land, land improvements, and associated design, permitting and engineering costs
 - Demolition of condemned structures
7. Urban Forestry
 - Tree replacement and new tree planting programs
 - Neighborhood and U.S. Highway 19 beautification projects
8. Parks & Recreation Facilities
 - Playground projects or amenities
 - River access, ramp and dock improvements
 - Public Park facility improvements
 - Blueway and Greenway improvements

Section 3. Pasco County is hereby requested to include within the Infrastructure Surtax adoption ordinance, and the approved ballot, the necessary ballot language to authorize the use of the Surtax Funds for the projects described herein.

DONE AND RESOLVED on the 21st day of June, 2022.

ATTEST:

Judy Meyers, CMC, City Clerk

Rob Marlowe, Mayor

Approved as to form:

Timothy P. Driscoll, City Attorney