CHILDREN’S SERVICES COUNCIL OF PALM BEACH COUNTY
TRIM PUBLIC HEARING

Friday, September 7, 2018
2300 High Ridge Road, Boynton Beach, FL

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chair Weber called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Present:
Thomas Bean
Donald E. Fennoy ll, Ed.D.
Vince Goodman
James Martz
Vern Melvin
Debra Robinson, M.D.
Jose Luis Rodriguez
Thomas P. Weber

Excused: Paulette Burdick; Tom Lynch

2. Agenda

A. Additions, Deletions, Substitutions – N/A
B. Adoption

   A motion by Melvin/Goodman to adopt the agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

3. 2018-19 Tentative Budget

A. Percent increase above roll-back rate 2.19%

   Tom Sheehan, General Counsel, stated that by statute, the first item was to announce the percentage increase above the roll-back rate which was 2.19%. He introduced Debra Heim, Chief Financial Officer.

B. Presentation of Budget

   Debra Heim stated that the Exhibits for the 18/19 Proposed Budget including the Notes to the Proposed Budget have not changed since the Council last saw them at the August 2nd Council Meeting. The only new documents are the TRIM Forms and the TRIM Advertisements at the end.

   The TRIM documents required by the Department of Revenue start on page 3. On these documents, we provide the Proposed Millage rate for FY 18/19 and the Current Year Millage Rate. All other lines are completed by the Property Appraiser. The Proposed Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2018/2019 is .6403 (line 17) and the Current Millage Rate is .6590 (line 10).
The Proposed Budget begins on page 7 and is also titled EXHIBIT II in the upper left hand corner. This schedule shows the FY 18/19 Proposed Budget compared to the 17/18 Approved Budget.

The Proposed Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 18/19 is .6403. The Current Millage Rate is .6590. CSC is reducing its Millage Rate by 2.8%.

The Proposed total taxes to be levied is $120,540,063.

The Total Proposed Budget for FY 18/19 is $137,681,992. The Proposed Budget is increasing 4.11% vs. prior year primarily to accommodate an increase in Program spending. The increase in Program spending is due to opportunities for expansion and normal growth expenses of currently funded programs as well as new opportunities to respond to community needs identified through the Strategic Review Allocation Analysis. It also includes merit and promotional increases, increases in health insurance and increases in normal operating costs.

Vince Goodman asked if tuition reimbursement was being eliminated for 2018-2019. Debra Heim clarified that it is not being eliminated. The estimated cost for tuition reimbursement is for anticipated usage.

Chair Weber stated that the Finance Committee is recommending adoption by the Council of the proposed millage rate and the proposed fiscal year 2018/2019 budget.

C. Public Comment

Chair Weber asked for public comment, there was none.

D. Review

Mr. Sheehan asked whether there were any further questions or comments with regard to the budget – there were none.

4. 2018-2019 Tentative Millage Rate - .6403

A. Review

Mr. Sheehan stated that the tentative Millage rate for the coming year was .6403.

B. Public Comment

Chair Weber called for public comment with respect to the tentative millage rate. There was no public comment.
C. Tentative Adoption

A motion by Goodman/Bean to tentatively adopt the Millage rate of .6403 was approved by unanimous vote. Judge Martz abstained.

5. Tentative Adoption of 2018/2019 Budget

A. Tentative Adoption of 2018/2019 Budget

A motion by Goodman/Melvin to tentatively adopt the 2018/2019 Budget as presented was approved by unanimous vote. Judge Martz abstained.

6. Announcement of Final TRIM Hearing – September 27, 2018 – 5:01 p.m.

Mr. Sheehan stated that the next and final TRIM hearing would be at CSC at 5:01 p.m., September 27, 2017. He asked Council members present whether they could make it.

7. Percentage by which proposed Millage Rate is more than the Roll-Back Rate

Mr. Sheehan noted (by statute) that the amount by which the proposed Millage Rate exceeded the roll-back rate was 2.19%.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:09 p.m.

Vincent Goodman, Secretary

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