



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

MEETING DATE: 8/5/2021

DEPARTMENT: Office of Management & Budget

ITEM ID: 2021-2902

ITEM TYPE: Public Hearing

FROM: Amber McClure, Chief Budget Officer

SUBJECT: 5:36 p.m. Public Hearing to Amend the Innerarity Island Development Corporation Sewage System Improvements MSBU - Amber M. McClure, Chief Budget Officer, Management and Budget Services

RECOMMENDATION/REQUIRED ACTION:

That the Board take the following action regarding the Innerarity Island Development Corporation (IIDC) Sewage System Improvements Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU):

- A. Adopt an Ordinance amending the Innerarity Island Development Corporation (IIDC) Sewage System Improvements Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU); and
- B. Adopt a Rate Resolution that sets the MSBU special assessment to be collected from benefitting properties.

BACKGROUND SUMMARY:

On March 2, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners enacted an Ordinance establishing the IIDC Sewage System MSBU. On February 2, 2018, the Board adopted an Amendment to the Ordinance to revise the boundaries. Now that the Project work has been completed, final terms of the MSBU special assessment are being incorporated into the Ordinance in order to calculate the special assessments to be collected from each benefitting property.

The MSBU assessment will defray the cost of sewage system improvements within the District based upon a fair and reasonable apportionment of the cost to all specially benefitted properties. The terms within the Ordinance will allow for costs to be amortized over a 20-year period at 2.5% interest compounded annually or single lump sum payments, plus any applicable administrative fees payable to the Tax Collector, Property Appraiser or Escambia County.

Benefitting properties fall into 1 of 4 categories of assessment as follows:

Parcel Category	Annual Assessment	Lump Sum
Base with Project Provided Grinder Pump (Main Island Developed)	\$1,022.17	\$15,934.74
Base without Project Provided Grinder Pump (Main Island Undeveloped)	\$435.50	\$6,789.05

Base with Existing Septic Tank Abandoned and Project Provided Grinder Pump (North Shore Drive)	\$1,172.90	\$18,284.51
Upgraded Lift Station/Remaining on Gravity Sewer System (Russell Bayou)	\$546.66	\$8,521.99

These assessments have been determined based on estimates for certain costs that are currently undetermined and expected to be finalized within the upcoming months. Should the final cost vary from the estimates, assessments will be revised on the following Fiscal Year's tax bills.

FISCAL IMPACT: Special assessments collected with defray the costs of the cost of sewage system improvements within the District, and reimburse the County for Project costs paid on behalf of property owners.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS/SIGN-OFF:

The Ordinance and Rate Resolution have been reviewed by the County Attorney's Office and found to be legally sufficient.

POLICY/REQUIREMENT FOR BOARD ACTION:

The Board of County Commissioners must approve and adopt all Ordinances per F.S. 166.41.

IMPLEMENTATION/COORDINATION:

The Office of Management and Budget will provide the assessment roll to the Tax Collector's Office to be included on the tax bills of benefitting property owners.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ordinance.Amendment.IIDC (KDH) FINAL
 2. Resolution.IIDCRates (KDH revised)
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