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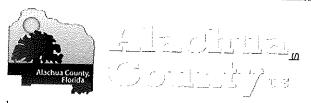
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# Public Hearing - Impose and Provide for Collection of Non-AD Valorem Stormwater Assessment and Fees

Tue Sep 10th 5:00pm

Public-Hearings Assessments

Jack Durrance, Room 209, 12 SE 1st St, Gainesville, FL 32601, USA map directions

Published August 20th, 2024

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO IMPOSE AND PROVIDE FOR COLLECTION OF NON-AD VALOREM STORMWATER ASSESSMENTS AND FEES



Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida, will conduct a public hearing to consider imposing charges for stormwater management services for properties in the **unincorporated areas of the County, as shown above**. Stormwater Assessments for non-governmental properties and Stormwater Fees for governmental properties are proposed to pay for the County's Stormwater Services. These

proposed assessments and fees are based upon the estimated amount of stormwater runoff generated by impervious areas on the property. Impervious areas include the ground level building footprints, rooftops, garages, patios, driveways, and similar areas that shed rainfall.

Alachua County has determined that the median single-family residence in the unincorporated County has a total impervious area of 4,011 square feet based upon a building footprint area of 2,235 square feet. The 4,011 square feet impervious area is defined as the value of "Equivalent Residential Unit" or "ERU" value. Generally, the number of ERUs were calculated individually for each parcel of property by dividing the total impervious area by 4,011 square feet. For non- governmental properties, the proposed annual Stormwater Assessment rate for the upcoming Fiscal Year will be \$60.00 for each ERU. For governmental properties, the proposed annual Stormwater Fee rate for the upcoming Fiscal Year will be \$60.00 for each ERU. It is estimated that the County will collect \$3,600,000 from Stormwater Service Assessments and Stormwater Service fees for Fiscal year 24-25. Agricultural buildings and structures are not included in the calculations of impervious areas subject to the proposed stormwater assessment, in accordance with Section 163.3162(3)(b). Florida Statutes.

On September 10, 2024, the Board will hold a public hearing at 5:01 p.m. or as soon thereafter as it may be heard in Room 209, 2nd Floor of the Alachua County Administration Building, 12 S.E. 1st Street, Gainesville, Florida.

At the hearing, the Board will receive comments on the proposed Stormwater Assessments for non-governmental properties (including their collection on the ad valorem tax bill) and the proposed Stormwater Fees for governmental properties (including their collection by first class mail invoice).

You are invited to attend and participate in the hearing. You may also file written objections with the Board within the twenty (20) days of the date of this notice. If accommodations for persons with disabilities are needed, please contact the Alachua County Equal Opportunity Office at 352-374-5275 at least 2 business days prior to the event, TDD users, please call 711 (Florida Relay Service).

All affected property owners have a right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections with the Board. All written objections to the non-ad valorem assessments and fees must be filed with the Board within twenty (20) days of publication of this notice. Please include your name, parcel number, and the reason you object to the assessment on all written objections.

Address all written objections to: Alachua County Board of County Commissioners, Attn: Stormwater Assessment, 12 S.E. 1st Street, Gainesville, FL 32601.

Any person wishing to appeal any decision of the Board with respect to any matter considered will need a record of the proceedings and may wish to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made.

A more specific description of the methodology used to calculate the proposed stormwater assessments and fees is set forth in the Initial Stormwater Resolution, the Final Assessment Resolution and the Preliminary Rate Resolution. Copies of the Initial Stormwater Resolution, the Final Assessment Resolution, the Preliminary Rate Resolution, the Preliminary Stormwater Roll, and the County's Stormwater Ordinance are available for inspection at the Alachua County Environmental Protection Department, 14 N.E. 1st Street, Gainesville, Florida, 32601.

The Stormwater Services Assessments for non-governmental properties will be collected by the Alachua County Tax Collector and failure to pay the Stormwater Services Assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the assessed property which may result in a loss of title to your property.

The Stormwater Service Fees for governmental properties will be collected by first class mail invoice.

**General Information:** If you have any questions, please contact the Environmental Protection Department at (352) 264-6850 or email stormwater@alachuacounty.us.

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