



Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Date: [Publish Date]

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Public Hearing Non Ad Valorem Special Assessment Hospitals

Presenter:

Robert Swain, County Attorney

Description:

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida, will conduct a public hearing to consider the approval of the imposition and collection of non-ad valorem special assessments against each private for-profit and not-for-profit hospital that provides inpatient hospital services and that holds a right of possession and right of use to real property in the County through an ownership or leasehold interest (each, an Assessed Property).

Recommended Action:

Conduct Public Hearing and Approve Resolution

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Fiscal Note:

The assessments are intended to finance intergovernmental transfers provided consistent with federal guidelines that fund the non-federal share of certain supplemental payment programs, thus directly and specially benefitting Assessed Properties and supporting the provision of health care services to Medicaid, indigent, and uninsured members of the County's community.

HCA North Florida \$32,476,838
UF Health Rehab Hospital \$569,903
Select Specialty Hospital – Gainesville \$743,208
UF Health Shands \$34,182,847

Strategic Guide:

All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

Background:

The hearing will be held on September 24, 2024, at 5:01 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, at the County Government Center, Jack Durrance Auditorium, located at 12 SE 1st Street, 2nd Floor, in Gainesville, Florida. At that time, the Board will receive public comments on the proposed special assessments.

At that hearing, a Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll, which contains the names of the Assessed Properties and the assessment rates and amount of the special assessments to be imposed against each Assessed Property, will be considered for approval. The Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll is available for inspection at Office of Management and Budget, 12 SE 1st St, 2nd Floor, Gainesville, FL 32601.

At the date and time set forth in this notice, the Board of County Commissioners may:
(1) approve the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll, with such amendments as it deems just and right; and (2) adopt a resolution (the "Assessment Resolution") that describes (a) the Medicaid hospital directed payment program proposed for funding from proceeds of the assessments, (b) the benefits to the Assessed Properties, (c) the methodology for computing the assessed amounts, and (d) the method of collection, including how and when the assessments are to be paid.

Notice of this meeting was published in the Gainesville Sun on September 1, 2024 and each impacted taxpayer received notice of the proposed rate and time and date of the public hearing.