

December 4, 2014  
5:01pm

The City Council of the City of Inverness met on the above date for a second Public Hearing Session for FY 2014/15 Final Budget at 212 W. Main Street with the following members present:

President Hinkle  
Vice President Hepfer  
Councilman McBride  
Councilwoman Bega  
Councilman Ryan  
Mayor Plaisted (Not Present)

Also present were City Manager DiGiovanni, Asst. City Manager Williams, Finance Director Chiodo, City Clerk Davis.

The following Notice was served to all Council, Mayor, Media, publicly posted, and TRIM'S were mailed to each City of Inverness property owner by the Property Appraiser's Office.

**CITY OF INVERNESS  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

DATE: November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014

PLEASE BE ADVISED A **PUBLIC HEARING** IS CALLED FOR THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INVERNESS, FOR **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2014, @ 5:01PM** , AT 212 W. MAIN STREET, INVERNESS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

**Final Mill Levy and Budget Adoption Public Hearing**

/s/ Ken Hinkle  
President of City Council

The Public Hearing was called to order.

Council President Hinkle announced that the purpose of this hearing is to adopt a final property tax rate (or millage) and re-adopt the budget for the 2014-2015 fiscal year for the City of Inverness.

He stated that the Department of Revenue has determined that portions of the property tax levy in the Notice of proposed Tax Increase advertisement s. 200.065 (3)(a), F.S., requires, were incorrect. The notice overstated last year's actual property tax levy and incorrectly stated the tax reductions because of value adjustment board and other assessment changes. The city has been provided the opportunity to re-advertise the notice with the corrections to the prior year property tax levy and re-conduct the Final

Budget Hearing for the current fiscal year. Specifically, the “last year’s actual property tax levy” was overstated by \$29,726 due to changes in the City’s property valuation in April, 2014, reducing the City’s prior year property valuations by \$4,576,208.

A proposed property tax rate was advertised on the TRIM notices and in the Citrus County Chronicle of 6.9949 mills. The City of Inverness Budget has been finalized using the rate 6.9949 mills. The final millage rate is greater than the rolled back rate of 6.4949 mills by 7.7%.

President Hinkle asked if there was anyone present that wished to address the Council as to any item within the Budget or millage levy?

There was no speaking to the Budget.

Be advised that the proposed budget was developed using the rate of 6.9949 mills. The next motion must be to adopt the final millage rate. Any budget amendments may be made after adoption of the final millage rate.

**Councilwoman Hepfer motioned to read the Final Mill Levy Resolution by title only. Seconded by Councilman McBride. The motion carried.**

**RESOLUTION 2014 - 28**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF INVERNESS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE FINAL LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF INVERNESS FOR FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON OCTOBER 1, 2014 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2015; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**Councilwoman Bega motioned to adopt the Final Mill Levy Resolution 2014-28, adopting the final millage rate of 6.9949 mills for the 2014-2015 fiscal year by roll call vote. Seconded by Councilwoman Hepfer. Roll call vote was as follows; Councilman Ryan, yes; Councilwoman Bega, yes; Councilman McBride, yes; Councilwoman Hepfer, yes; President Hinkle, yes. The motion carried.**

Council President Hinkle asked if there was a motion to read the Budget Resolution by title only.

**Councilwoman Hepfer motioned to read the Budget Resolution 2014-29 by title only. Seconded by Councilman Ryan. The motion carried.**

**RESOLUTION 2014 - 29**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF INVERNESS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 2014-706, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF INVERNESS ADOPTING A FINAL BUDGET COMMENCING 1, 2014 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2015; PROVIDING TAXABLE VALUES; PROVIDING FOR OPERATIVE FISCAL YEAR; PROVIDING FOR EXPENDITURES DURING FISCAL YEAR AND SUBSEQUENT HOLD OVER**

**FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO BUDGET; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**Councilman Ryan motioned to adopt the Budget Resolution, 2014-29, re-adopting the final budget for the 2014-15 fiscal year as proposed, on final vote, by roll call vote. Seconded by Councilwoman Hepfer. Roll call vote was as follows: Councilman Ryan, yes; Councilwoman Bega, yes, to include the typographical error corrected in the Resolution, to include the word October; Councilman McBride, yes; Councilwoman Hepfer, yes; President Hinkle, yes. The motion carried.**

City Manager DiGiovanni suggested that the Resolution 2014-29 be re-read and motioned on with corrections just suggested.

**Councilman McBride motion to read the corrected Budget Resolution 2014-29 by title only. Seconded by Council Ryan . The motion carried.**

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF INVERNESS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 2014-706, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF INVERNESS ADOPTING A FINAL BUDGET COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2014 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2015; PROVIDING TAXABLE VALUES; PROVIDING FOR OPERATIVE FISCAL YEAR; PROVIDING FOR EXPENDITURES DURING FISCAL YEAR AND SUBSEQUENT HOLD OVER FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO BUDGET; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**Councilwoman Bega motioned to adopt the Budget Resolution, 2014-29, re-adopting the final budget for the 2014-15 fiscal year as proposed, on final vote, by roll call vote. Seconded by Councilwoman Hepfer. Roll call vote was as follows:, Councilman Ryan, yes; Councilwoman Bega, yes; Councilman McBride, yes; Councilwoman Hepfer, yes; President Hinkle, yes. The motion carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 5:09pm.

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City Clerk

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Council President