



TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

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TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2ND FLOOR | 360 SOUTH COUNTY RD | PALM BEACH, FL 33480

Danielle H. Moore, Mayor
Ted Cooney, President
Lew Crampton, President Pro Tem
Julie Araskog
Nicki McDonald
Bridget Moran

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

COMMENTS

1. MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS
2. PUBLIC - 3 MINUTE LIMIT

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PUBLIC HEARING

GENERAL BUSINESS

3. **116-2026** A Resolution Of The Town Council Of The Town Of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida Adopting The Final Millage Rate And Levying Ad Valorem Taxes For The Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2026, And Ending September 30, 2027; Setting Forth Certain Information Regarding The Rolled-Back Millage Rate; Directing The Town Manager Or The Deputy Town Manager, Finance And Administration To Adjust The Adopted Millage Rate In The Event Of Changes In The Assessment Roll And Taxable Value; Providing An Effective Date.
4. **117-2026** A Resolution Of The Town Council Of The Town Of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, Adopting A Final Budget And Appropriating Funds For The Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2026, And Ending September 30, 2027; Providing For An Effective Date.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

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TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: September 17, 2026

To: Town Council
Via: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager
From: Robert Miracle, CPA Deputy Town Manager, Finance and Administration
Re: A Resolution Of The Town Council Of The Town Of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida Adopting The Final Millage Rate And Levying Ad Valorem Taxes For The Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2026, And Ending September 30, 2027; Setting Forth Certain Information Regarding The Rolled-Back Millage Rate; Directing The Town Manager Or The Deputy Town Manager, Finance And Administration To Adjust The Adopted Millage Rate In The Event Of Changes In The Assessment Roll And Taxable Value; Providing An Effective Date.
116-2026
Date: 9/17/2026

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff requests that the Town Council adopt Resolution No. 116-2026 to approve the final millage rate for FY27 and adopt Resolution No. 117-2026 to approve the final budgets for FY27.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Attached for your review and consideration are Resolution No. 116-2026 and Resolution No. 117- 2026 which will adopt the final millage rate and budgets for FY27.

At the September 8th public hearing Town Council adopted the tentative FY27 millage rate and budgets. The FY27 millage rate approved at the September 8th, 2025 public hearing of 2.6110 is the same as the FY26 millage rate and 8.4% more than the “rolled back rate” of 2.4094 mills. We are recommending adoption of Resolution No. 116-2026 and Resolution No. 117-2026 which will constitute the Town’s final action on these matters for FY27.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Strategic Priorities:

Governmental Leadership and Innovation, Safe and Resilient Community, Community Culture and Character, Mobility and Transportation, Environmental Stewardship

Strategic Focus Areas:

Sound Fiscal Management

Cooperative Relationships

Water Resources

Emergency Management
Quality of Life
Community Preservation
On-island Mobility
Management of Environmental Threats
Sustainable Management of Town Assets
Collaborative Town Government

FUNDING

No Funding

RESOLUTION NO. 116-2026

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA ADOPTING THE FINAL MILLAGE RATE AND LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2026, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027; SETTING FORTH CERTAIN INFORMATION REGARDING THE ROLLED-BACK MILLAGE RATE; DIRECTING THE TOWN MANAGER OR THE DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO ADJUST THE ADOPTED MILLAGE RATE IN THE EVENT OF CHANGES IN THE ASSESSMENT ROLL AND TAXABLE VALUE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach held a public hearing, on September 8th, 2026, on the proposed millage rate and tentative budgets for the 2026-2027 fiscal year, and has approved the proposed millage rate and tentative budgets; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach proposes by Resolution No. 117-2026 to adopt a final budget and make appropriations for various funds for the Town of Palm Beach for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2026, and ending September 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the budgets as proposed will require that the sum of \$93,579,438 be raised and collected by an ad valorem tax levy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL of the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, as follows:

Section 1: The sum of \$93,579,438 shall be raised and collected for the Town of Palm Beach by ad valorem taxes for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2026, and ending September 30, 2027 as follows:

1. There is hereby levied on all non-exempt taxable property within the Town of Palm Beach an ad valorem tax of 2.6110 mills for operational purposes.
2. Such millage shall be levied upon the dollar amount of the assessed valuation of all non-exempt taxable property in the Town of Palm Beach as determined by the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser and as shown by the 2026 assessment roll for the Town, allowing homestead and other lawful exemptions. All such taxes so specified and levied are ordered extended upon the assessment roll to show the tax attributable to all taxable property, and shall be collected by the Palm Beach County Tax Collector as provided by law.

Section 2: The ad valorem taxes hereby levied are for the purpose of raising funds, revenues, and monies to be used, set aside, and expended for the functions and purposes of the municipal government of the Town of Palm Beach pursuant to the provisions of the Town Charter and the laws of the State of Florida.

Section 3: The following information is set forth as required by Section 200.065 (2) (d), Florida Statutes:

1. The operating millage rate of 2.6110 levied herein is 8.4% more than the rolled back rate of 2.4094 mills.

Section 4: Pursuant to Section 200.065(5), Florida Statutes, the Town Manager, or in his absence the Deputy Town Manager, Finance and Administration, is hereby authorized and required to adjust the adopted millage rate set forth herein if the taxable value within the jurisdiction of the Town of Palm Beach as certified by the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser is at variance from the taxable value shown on the assessment roll to be extended. The adjustment shall be such that the taxes computed by applying the adopted rate against the certified taxable value are equal to the taxes computed by applying the adjusted adopted rate to the taxable value on the roll to be extended. However, no adjustment shall be made to the levies required by law to be a specific millage amount. The Town Manager or the Deputy Town Manager, Finance and Administration shall certify to the Property Appraiser the aggregate change in the assessment roll and taxable value, if any, from that certified.

Section 5: This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in a special, adjourned session of the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach assembled on September 17, 2026.

Danielle H. Moore, Mayor

Edward A. Cooney, Town Council President

Lewis S.W. Crampton, Council President
Pro Tem

Julie Araskog, Town Council Member

ATTEST:

Nicki McDonald, Town Council Member

Kelly Churney, CMC, Town Clerk

Bridget Moran, Town Council Member

RESOLUTION NO. 117-2026

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A FINAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2026, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2027; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on September 8, 2026, on the Town of Palm Beach's proposed millage rate and its tentative budget for the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach adopted a tentative budget and the proposed millage rate necessary to fund the tentative budget; and

WHEREAS, a further public hearing was held to adopt a final millage rate and finalize the budget.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL of the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, as follows:

Section 1: The budget for the Town of Palm Beach as attached, marked Exhibit A, incorporated herein and by this reference made an integral part hereof, is hereby adopted as the final budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2026, and ending September 30, 2027, pursuant to Town Charter and Town Code of Ordinances.

Section 2: Funds are hereby appropriated in accordance with the provisions of the Town Charter, Article VII, Financial Matters, Section 7.01.

Section 3: The Town Manager is hereby authorized to approve requested intrafund transfers throughout the fiscal year as may be needed to ensure the continuity of municipal operations.

Section 4: All funds appropriated for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year which are encumbered, but unexpended as of the last day of the fiscal year shall be deemed reappropriated for the same purposes for the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year.

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EXHIBIT A

BUDGET SUMMARY

TOWN OF PALM BEACH - FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH ARE 8.1% MORE THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES.

General Fund 2.6110

		GENERAL	SPECIAL	DEBT	CAPITAL	ENTER-	INTERNAL		
ESTIMATED REVENUES		FUND	REVENUE	SERVICE	PROJECTS	PRISE	SERVICE	TRUST	TOTAL
		FUND	FUND	FUND	FUND	FUND	FUND	FUND	ALL
									FUNDS
Taxes:	Millage per \$1,000								
Ad Val Taxes - Operating	2.6110	\$93,579,438	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$93,579,438
Sales and Use Taxes		7,130,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,130,000
Licenses and Permits		6,060,000	0	0	0	10,855,000	0	0	16,915,000
Intergovernmental Revenue		1,405,500	500,000	0	13,709,120	0	0	0	15,614,620
Charges for Services		12,322,460	0	0	0	20,286,665	12,970,297	0	45,579,422
Fines and Forfeitures		1,430,500	0	0	0	10,000	0	0	1,440,500
Contributions		74,000	0	0	5,005,000	0	0	19,246,562	24,325,562
Special Assessments		0	3,857,921	716,538	610,370	0	0	0	5,184,829
Interest		1,936,628	900,000	0	2,955,000	1,100,000	625,000	21,470,000	28,986,628
Miscellaneous		1,440,000	200,000	0	0	681,000	250,000	0	2,571,000
TOTAL SOURCES		\$125,378,526	\$5,457,921	\$716,538	\$22,279,490	\$32,932,665	\$13,845,297	\$40,716,562	\$241,326,999
Transfers In		10,193,737	8,000,000	6,557,352	24,650,028	0	2,329,816	6,363,811	58,094,744
Fund Balances/Reserves/Net Assets		1,590,251	6,112,871	3,253	82,286,783	6,637,614	4,618,117	0	101,248,889
TOTAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS & BALANCES		\$137,162,514	\$19,570,792	\$7,277,143	\$129,216,301	\$39,570,279	\$20,793,230	\$47,080,373	\$400,670,632
EXPENDITURES									
General Government		\$14,861,345	\$8,050	\$0	\$271,476	\$3,351,407	\$17,402,864	\$29,457,985	\$65,353,127
Public Safety		52,530,575	0	0	1,225,000	2,678,155	1,752,611	0	58,186,341
Physical Environment		21,497,865	15,000,000	0	123,666,677	0	1,408,763	0	161,573,305
Transportation		1,646,238	0	0	3,540,370	0	0	0	5,186,608
Culture and Recreation		7,423,826	0	0	0	13,164,916	145,429	0	20,734,171
Principal Retirement		0	2,070,000	4,315,001	0	1,470,000	0	0	7,855,001
Interest and Fees		0	2,492,742	2,962,142	0	526,500	0	0	5,981,384
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$97,959,849	\$19,570,792	\$7,277,143	\$128,703,523	\$21,190,978	\$20,709,667	\$29,457,985	\$324,869,937
Transfers Out		39,202,665	0	0	512,778	18,379,301	0	0	58,094,744
Fund Balances/Reserves/Net Assets		0	0	0	0	0	83,563	17,622,388	17,705,951
TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES, TRANSFERS, RESERVES AND BALANCES		\$137,162,514	\$19,570,792	\$7,277,143	\$129,216,301	\$39,570,279	\$20,793,230	\$47,080,373	\$400,670,632

The tentative, adopted, and/or final budgets are on file in the office of the above referenced taxing authority as a public record.