

SOUTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
SOUTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT**

**FINAL TAX BUDGET HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF MILLAGE AND BUDGET
FOR SOUTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025**

September 25, 2024

A Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the South Broward Hospital District (S.B.H.D.) for adoption of Final Millage and Budget for Fiscal Year 2025 was held at Memorial Regional Hospital South, 3600 Washington Street, Hollywood, Florida, 33021, in the Auditorium, and by video and telephone conference, on Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at 5:33 p.m.

The following members were present:

Ms. Elizabeth Justen	Chairwoman	In person
Mr. Steven Harvey	Vice Chairman	In person
Mr. Douglas Harrison	Secretary Treasurer	In person
Mr. Brad Friedman		In person
Ms. Laura Raybin Miller		In person

The following member was absent:

Dr. Luis Orta

A registration sheet listing attendees in person is on file in the Executive Office.

1. CALL TO ORDER / PUBLIC MEETING CERTIFICATION

There being a physical quorum present, Ms. Justen called the Special Meeting to order, noting that public attendance and participation is welcome.

Mr. Frank Rainer, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, confirmed and provided his certification as General Counsel that all public notice and open meeting (Sunshine) legal requirements had been complied with for this meeting.

2. FINAL PUBLIC HEARING OF THE SOUTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FOR ADOPTION OF FINAL MILLAGE AND BUDGET FOR SOUTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025

Mr. David Smith, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, confirmed that at the Preliminary Tax Hearing on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, the Board of Commissioners adopted a tentative tax rate of 0.0869 mills. With this rate, the District remains responsible to fund the various Governmental pass-throughs for which Memorial is responsible, resulting in a net tax expense of \$1.1 million.

The tentative rate adopted results in the lowest rate in the history of the District. Mr. Smith confirmed that the millage rate of 0.0869 is equal to the rolled-back rate and reflects a decrease of 7.23% from last year's rate.

Mr. Smith then referred to various charts highlighting other important information about the South Broward Hospital District and its ad valorem tax history, in addition to the trend in uncompensated care, and voting requirements. Mr. Smith confirmed that the final millage rate adopted at tonight's meeting can be decreased from the tentative rate adopted of 0.0869; however, it cannot be increased. At the Preliminary Tax Hearing, the Board discussed the District's obligations to fund the Medicaid Match, and Mr. Smith provided some background related to its obligation in this regard.

Ms. Justen stated that public participation is welcome and invited members of the public to speak. There being none, the public portion of the meeting was closed.

Ms. Justen opened the floor for discussion by the Board.

Ms. Miller was happy to stay with the rate of 0.0869 mills and confirmed that it is costing the District \$1.1M.

Mr. Harrison confirmed that he would be voting for the rate of 0.0869 mills.

Ms. Justen supported the rate of 0.0869 mills. There were no further comments from the Board.

Mr. Smith read Resolution No. 507 for adoption of the final millage rate for the South Broward Hospital District for the Fiscal Year commencing on May 1, 2024, and ending on April 30, 2025, a copy of which is on file in the Executive Office.

Mr. Harrison ***moved, seconded*** by Ms. Miller, that:

THE BOARD ADOPTS THE FINAL MILLAGE RATE OF 0.0869 MILLS FOR FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON MAY 1, 2024, AND ENDING ON APRIL 30, 2025, AND ADOPTS RESOLUTION NO. 507 AS PRESENTED

There being no further discussion, a roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Miller	Yes
Mr. Harrison	Yes
Mr. Friedman	Yes
Mr. Harvey	Yes
Ms. Justen	Yes

The Motion ***carried*** unanimously.

Ms. Justen confirmed that the millage rate of 0.0869 mills was equal to the rolled-back rate.

Mr. Smith then read Resolution No. 508 for adoption of the final tax budget for the South Broward Hospital District for the Fiscal Year commencing on May 1, 2024, and ending on April 30, 2025, a copy of which is on file in the Executive Office.

Mr. Harvey ***moved, seconded*** by Mr. Harrison, that:

THE BOARD ADOPTS THE FINAL TAX BUDGET OF \$3,459,567,000, INCLUDING TAX REVENUES OF \$7,862,000 AND OTHER NON-AD VALOREM OPERATING REVENUES OF \$3,451,705,000, AND ADOPTS RESOLUTION NO. 508 AS PRESENTED

Mr. Harrison asked for confirmation that the information would be advertised correctly to the public; this was confirmed by Mr. Smith and Mr. Rainer.

There being no further discussion, a roll call vote was taken.

Mr. Friedman	Yes
Mr. Harvey	Yes
Ms. Miller	Yes
Mr. Harrison	Yes
Ms. Justen	Yes

The Motion **carried** unanimously.

Ms. Justen again confirmed that the millage rate of 0.0869 mills was equal to the rolled-back rate.

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business to come before the Board.

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

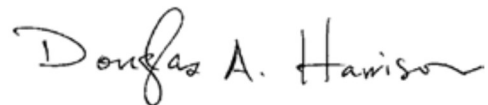
Ms. Justen declared the meeting adjourned at 5.48 p.m. and stated that a five minute break would take place before the Regular Board Meeting began.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SOUTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT



BY: _____

Elizabeth Justen, Chairwoman



ATTEST: _____

Douglas Harrison, Secretary Treasurer