



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
September 14, 2021

ITEM TITLE:

RESOLUTION. A RESOLUTION, RELATING TO SECURITY SERVICES ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE BANYAN DRIVE SECURITY GUARD SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT; PROVIDING AUTHORITY AND DEFINITIONS; APPROVING THE UPDATED SECURITY SERVICES ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR THE REIMPOSITION OF THE ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING FOR COLLECTION OF THE ASSESSMENTS PURSUANT TO THE UNIFORM ASSESSMENT COLLECTION ACT; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECT OF THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:

Approval.

BRIEF HISTORY:

In accordance with the Dade County Home Rule Charter and Chapter 18 of the Code of Metropolitan Dade County, in 2018 Dade County (the "County") enacted Ordinance No. 18-110 to create the Banyan Drive Security Guard Special Taxing District to provide enhanced security services to properties within the District. Pursuant to Section 18-3.1 of the Code of Metropolitan Dade County, after approval by referendum and a joint resolution of the County and City of Coral Gables, governance and control of the District was transferred from the County to the City. Pursuant to the interlocal agreement between the County and the City outlining the transfer of governance, the City shall be responsible for "establishing assessment rates and collecting assessments for the Special Taxing District."

Pursuant to the Master Assessment Ordinance (No. 2015-09), the annual reimposition of assessments requires the adoption of a Preliminary Assessment Resolution (Resolution No. 2021-158), which was adopted June 8, 2021, and adoption of this Annual Assessment Resolution. This Annual Assessment Resolution confirms the assignment of Assessment Units and computation of the Assessments as established in the Preliminary Assessment Resolution. It imposes the Assessments in the manner provided in the Ordinance for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2021 to fund ongoing Security Services within the District, and approves the Assessment Roll for the District.

For Fiscal Year 2021-22 the assessment is intended to fund administration and the necessary costs for the design, permitting, construction, and installation of the neighborhood guardhouse, security gates at the neighborhood entrance, security cameras, recording equipment, and associated improvements. Thereafter, the annual Security Service Cost is intended to fund administration maintenance, and the provision of visible safety and sentinel security using unarmed uniformed guards operating from the guardhouse and video recording of all vehicles entering and exiting the District to be provided 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.

The total estimated Security Service Cost is \$227,950.00 for fiscal year 2021-22. There is no change in the proposed methodology. There is a decrease in the proposed rates from the prior year since the first two years of the assessment collected the larger construction costs for this District. Moving forward the assessment will only cover ongoing maintenance costs. The FY 2022 assessment is proposed to decrease from \$7,581.47 to \$4,700.00 per improved unit and from \$3,790.74 to \$2,350.00 for vacant units.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION:

Date:	Resolution/Ordinance No.	Comments
5/26/2015	Ordinance No. 2015-09	Master Assessment Ordinance
6/11/2019	Resolution No. 2019-195	Initial Assessment Resolution
9/12/2019	Resolution No. 2019-273	Final Assessment Resolution
9/10/2020	Resolution No. 2020-208	Final Assessment Resolution
6/8/2021	Resolution No. 2021-158	Preliminary Assessment Resolution

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Draft Resolution**