



City of Coral Gables  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
May 31, 2022

**ITEM TITLE:**

**Resolution.** A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the provision of street lighting services, facilities, and programs within the Cocoplum Phase I Street Lighting Special Taxing District; amending and restating Resolution No. 2021-160; estimating the cost of street lighting services, facilities, and programs to be assessed for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2022; determining that certain real property will be specially benefitted thereby; establishing the method of assessing the street lighting service cost against the real property that will be specially benefitted thereby; directing the finance director to prepare or direct the preparation of a preliminary assessment roll based upon the methodology set forth herein; establishing a public hearing to consider imposition of the proposed street lighting assessments and the method of their collection and directing the provision of notice in connection therewith; providing for severability; and providing 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 2020, Dade County (the "County") enacted Ordinance No. 20-114 to create the Cocoplum Phase I Street Lighting Special Taxing District to provide street lighting services, facilities, and programs 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." As originally created, the proposed apportionment methodology was established on a front footage basis.

In 2021, the property owners within the District voted to change both the level of service and the method of apportionment from a front footage basis to a per Lot approach. These changes were approved by the City Commission with the adoption of Ordinance No. 2021-27. Due to these pending changes, no assessment rates were imposed within the District in 2021.

Pursuant to the Master Assessment Ordinance (No. 2015-09), the initial step for the City to establish assessment rates and provide for collection of assessments for the District pursuant to the revised apportionment method and level of service is the adoption of this Amended and Restated Initial Assessment Resolution. This resolution sets the Street Lighting Service Cost at \$131,700 for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022. The proposed maximum annual assessment is estimated to be \$878.00 per Lot/Unit.

**LEGISLATIVE ACTION:**

Date:	Resolution/Ordinance No.	Comments
5/26/15	Ordinance 2015-09	Master Assessment Ordinance
11/9/21	Ordinance 2021-37	Amending Assessment Methodology

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- 1. Draft Resolution**
- 2. Draft Budget**