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Date:

October 17, 2019

To:

Katie Smith, Deputy Clerk

Through:

Cheryl Gillespie, Agenda Development

From:

Eric Gassman, Chief Deputy Comptroffer

Contact:

Ann Dawkins, 407-836-5770

Subject:

Request Number M19-040 to abolish a MSTU for Lake Lawne

10-21-19P12:02 RCVD

Applicant:

Elizabeth R. Johnson and Tim Hull

Environmental Protection Division (EPD)

Type of Hearing:

To abolish a Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU) for

aquatic weed control and general maintenance and

improvement.

Hearing Required by F. S.#

Florida Statute Sections 125.01(1)(q) and (r), 200.066 and

200.071. This public hearing may be scheduled any time

prior to December 31, 2019.

Advertising Requirements /

Timeframe:

Publish only one (1) time and must be published at

least twenty (20) days prior to the public hearing with

the tentative advertisement date as Sunday, November

10, 2019.

Notify Abutters:

Special Assessments will mail public hearing notices to all

of the affected property owners.

Estimated Time Required:

One (1) minute

District:

Commisioner Siplin, District 6

Hearing Controversial:

No.

LEGISLATIVE FILE # 19-1025

December 3,2019 @ 2pm Katie Smith, Deputy Clerk Request for Lake Lawne October 17, 2019 Page 2

Report:

At the request of Elizabeth R. Johnson, Assistant Manager and Tim Hull, Environmental Programs Administrator, Environmental Protection Division, the public hearing is being requested to terminate the resolution that established the Municipal Service Taxing Unit for aquatic weed control and general maintenance and improvement for Lake Lawne.

Since the lake is publically accesible, aquatic weed control services are provided by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. The curb inlet baskets around lake Lawne that were paid by capital improvement project funds are maintenanced using general funds. Approximately 60% of the lake is now located within the City of Orlando and approximately 75% of the parcels located within the Orange County portion are County-owned land and not subject to the assessment. The millage was reduced to zero and the account has a de minimis amount remaining and will be disposed of in accordance with Administrative Regulation 6.05 Disposition of Small Credit Balance Amounts and Unclaimed Checks. The Lake Lawne MSTU is unnecessary and is recommended for abolishment.

Materials being submitted as backup for public hearing request:

 Resolutions – one (1) copy of the proposed resolution for abolishment of the Municipal Service Taxing Unit for Lake Lawne

ADDITIONAL SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO CLERK:

- 1. Notify Special Assessments Section / Finance and Accounting Department of public hearing date(s) to prepare public hearing notice. Special Assessments will e-mail the public hearing notice to the Clerk.
- 2. Send the original adopted resolution(s) to the Special Assessments Section / Finance and Accounting Department.
- 3. Send 1 (one) certified copy of the adopted resolution(s) to the Special Assessments Section / Finance and Accounting Department.

RESOLUTION of the ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS regarding ABOLISHMENT OF A MUNICIPAL SERVICE TAXING UNIT FOR AQUATIC WEED CONTROL AND GENERAL LAKE MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT FOR LAKE LAWNE

WHEREAS, Subsection 125.01(1)(q), Florida Statutes, grants Orange County, Florida ("County") the power to establish or abolish Municipal Service Taxing Units ("MSTU") for any part of the unincorporated area of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Orange County, Florida ("Board") is the governing board of the County pursuant to its charter; and

WHEREAS, by a Resolution adopted October 25, 1982, the Board established the Lake Lawne MSTU for purposes of general maintenance, improvement, and the enhancement of said lake; and

WHEREAS, the properties subject to the MSTU are no longer subject to the ad valorem assessment and the MSTU is unnecessary as aquatic weed control services are provided by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, and a majority of the lake is now within City of Orlando jurisdiction, and the majority of remaining properties in unincorporated Orange County are owned by the Board and not subject to assessment; and

WHEREAS, the Board has, pursuant to notice duly given both by mail and by publication, held a hearing at which all interested persons who appeared were heard or were given an opportunity to be heard on the matter of the Board abolishing the MSTU, which was created for general maintenance, improvement, and the enhancement of Lake Lawne.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That the Lake Lawne Municipal Service Taxing Unit for purposes of general maintenance, improvements, and the enhancement of said lake, the boundaries of which include the parcels of property described as follows:

San Jose Shores Plat Book 4, Page 97, Lots 29 thru 37;

Colony Cove Plat Book 1, Page 24, Block A, Lots 16 thru 23;

Colony Cove Rev. Plat Book 3, Page 66, Block A, Lots 24 thru 26;

Lake Lawne Shores 1st Add. Plat Book V, Page 113, Block C, Lots 1 thru 5;

Lake Lawne Shores 2nd Add. Plat Book W, Page 70, Block A, Lots 1 thru 9;

Lake Lawne Shores 3nd Add. Plat Book Y, Page 5, Block A, Lots 11 thru 28;

Willis R. Munger Sub. Plat Book E, Pages 3, 7, 22, 23, Lots 106, 107, 108, 117 & 118

(17-22-29, 5844, 00850), Parcels 4 & 15 in Section 17 Township 22 Range 29, and Parcels 6, 7, 8 & 79 in Section 20 Township 22 Range 29

is hereby abolished effective immediately upon adoption of this resolution.

Section 2. Each property owner affected by this abolishment resolution has been provided first class mail notice of the time and place of the public hearing at which this resolution was adopted. However, under Section 119.07, Florida Statutes, certain records may be noted as exempt and confidential. This public record exemption may cause certain property owners not to receive the above first class mail notice, however, a public hearing notice conforming to the provisions of Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, has been published in a newspaper of general circulation within Orange County.

ADOPTED	THIS DAY OF	_, 2019.	
•		ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA By: Board of County Commissione	rs
		By:	
		Jerry L. Demings Orange County Mayor	
ATTEST:	Phil Diamond, County Comptroller as Clerk to the Board of County Comm	missioners	
Ву:			
	Deputy Clerk		

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