

ORDINANCE NO. 2025- 97

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BUDGET OF THE CITY OF TAMPA, FLORIDA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2025, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2026; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY AS PROVIDED BY LAW OF A TAX ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF TAMPA AND FIXING THE MILLAGE WITHIN SAID CITY; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SAID BUDGET; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, AS THE PROPER AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF TAMPA TO CERTIFY TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA, THE MILLAGE TO BE LEVIED FOR ALL PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026, IN THE CITY OF TAMPA; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Mayor, after a careful investigation of the estimates and a thorough consideration of the requirements of the several Departments and Boards of the City of Tampa (the "City"), has prepared an annual Budget for the operation of the City for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, which was presented to the City Council of the City of Tampa on the 17th day of July, 2025; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of said Budget, a public hearing was called and held by the City Council as required by law and the City Charter upon one (1) week's notice published in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the City, to permit any and all citizens desiring to do so, to submit their criticisms, recommendations and suggestions relative to said Budget, which hearing was held more than three (3) days prior to the final adoption of said Budget; and

WHEREAS, within fifteen (15) days of said first public hearing, a second and final public hearing to adopt a millage rate and budget was called and notice thereof was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City, said public hearing being held not less than two (2) days or more than five (5) days after publication of said notice in accordance with Section 200.065, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, after careful study of said Budget by the City Council, the City Council has determined that said Budget conforms to all legal requirements and is a due and proper Budget for the City of Tampa for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tampa is a taxing authority in Hillsborough County, Florida, pursuant to Florida Statutes Chapter 200 that levies an ad valorem tax upon real and personal property, and such taxing authority is required by law to certify to the Property Appraiser of said Hillsborough County, Florida the millages to be levied for all purposes for the current tax year in said City; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to certify the millage for the extension of the tax roll in order that tax notices may be timely issued, which millage was approved and adopted by City Council prior to approval and adoption of the Budget as required by law.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF TAMPA, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That the City Council of the City of Tampa does hereby accept, approve, and adopt the Annual Budget as prepared and presented to the City Council by the Mayor, hereinafter referred to as the "Budget," as the official Budget of the City of Tampa for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, which is now on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Tampa and is hereby referenced and made part hereof to the same effect as if set out in full herein.

Section 2. That each and every item of expenditure provided for and proposed to be made by the Budget is hereby deemed and declared to be a necessary requirement for the proper and economical operation of the City of Tampa for said fiscal year.

Section 3. That a tax to raise the amount of money as fixed in the Budget for the maintenance and operation of the City be levied, as provided by law, on all real and personal property taxable for the above mentioned purpose in the City of Tampa as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Rate In Millage *</u>	<u>Rate in Dollars Per Thousand</u>	<u>Yield</u>
General Fund	6.2076	6.2076	\$380,255,500

* The millage rate of 6.2076 exceeds the "Rolled-Back Rate" of 5.9535 mills, as defined in Section 200.065 (1) of the Florida Statutes, by 4.27%.

Section 4. That in addition to the foregoing levies, cash delinquent tax collections shall be deposited to the credit of the General Fund.

Section 5. That the appropriations hereby made are limited to the purposes as specifically set out in the Budget and the monies which shall be realized from the appropriations to said respective funds are hereby directed to be appropriated and credited ratably as the same shall be received, and no money apportioned and credited accordingly shall be used for any purpose other than the purpose set out in the Budget. Any revenues received by the City of Tampa during said fiscal year from sources not anticipated by the Budget shall be deposited in the Unappropriated Cash Surplus Account of the respective fund will be presented to City Council for input and direction, subject to appropriations from time to time; and all disbursements or transfers of funds of the City of Tampa made during the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, by the proper officers of the City upon vouchers in due form, as shown or reflected upon the records in the office of the Director of Finance of the City, are hereby approved.

Section 6. That the duly authorized officers of the City of Tampa are hereby charged with the duty of disbursing funds to be realized from the appropriations made in the Budget for the purposes as set forth in the Budget.

Section 7. That the Mayor and the City Clerk, as the proper authorities of the City of Tampa, are duly authorized, empowered and directed to certify to the Property Appraiser of Hillsborough County, Florida, the millages to be levied for all the purposes in the City of Tampa,

to wit: 6.2076 mills, and to request the levy of the millages as set forth above upon real and personal property in the respective territories of the City of Tampa as above set forth, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Florida.

Section 8. That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon becoming a law.

PASSED AND ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Tampa, Florida, on

SEP 16 2025



CHAIR/CHAIR PRO-TEM,
CITY COUNCIL

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK

APPROVED by me this 9/17/25



JANE CASTOR, MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



JUSTIN R. VASKE

SENIOR ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY