



City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 26-22

City Council

6/16/2022

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

SUBJECT:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 26-22 - RENEWAL OF AUTHORIZATION AND APPROVAL OF THE LIBRARY MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAXING UNIT (MSTU) WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council adopt Proposed Ordinance No. 26-22 on second reading:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE RENEWAL OF AUTHORIZATION AND APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION OF THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES TAXING UNIT FOR LIBRARY SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

The Escambia County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) levies a municipal services taxing unit (MSTU) for library services throughout all unincorporated and incorporated areas of Escambia County. This MSTU is the dedicated funding source of the West Florida Public Library System (WFPL), which operates all public library branches throughout the county.

Florida Statute 125.01 provides that the governing body of an affected municipality within a county must provide consent via ordinance for such a levy. In December 2012, City Council adopted Ordinance No. 27-12 consenting to the levy of the MSTU for a period of 10 years. With this consent set to expire in December 2022 (mid-fiscal year), WFPL and the BCC have requested another 10-year renewal be brought forth at this time, for long-term budget planning purposes and confirmation of funding source.

PRIOR ACTION:

December 13, 2012 - City Council adopted Ordinance No. 27-12 consenting to the levying of the Library MSTU in the incorporated area of the City of Pensacola for 10 years.

May 26, 2022 - City Council voted to approve Proposed Ordinance No. 26-22 on first reading.

FUNDING:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

LEGAL REVIEW ONLY BY CITY ATTORNEY: Yes

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STAFF CONTACT:

Kerrith Fiddler, City Administrator
Amy Lovoy, Finance Director

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Proposed Ordinance No. 26-22
- 2) Ordinance No. 27-12 - Authorizing and Approving the Library Municipal Services Taxing Unit

PRESENTATION: No