



PINELLAS SUNCOAST FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT

PUBLIC NOTICE

VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

In light of the unprecedented situation of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District has identified that virtual meetings will be required to conduct the official business of the District and to keep the public informed, while protecting the health, safety, and welfare of our citizens and personnel.

In accordance with Florida Executive Order 20-69, and extended by Executive Order 20-112, **the regularly scheduled August 2020 meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners will be held virtually**, by the means described herein. The meeting is scheduled to begin on **Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**

The meeting will be held as a VIRTUAL MEETING through communication media technology with the members of the Board of Fire Commission and District staff participating through video conferencing. This virtual meeting will be held on the Zoom platform used by the Executive Assistant for live remote participation. Members of the public may join the meeting via Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/98119045820> and participate. Additionally, a dedicated phone line will be available so that any individual who does not wish, or is unable, to use Zoom, may listen to and participate in the meeting by finding your local number at <https://zoom.us/u/acSLTPoULw> and entering Meeting ID: 981 1904 5820.

Members of the public who wish to add comments may do so in one of three ways. First, any person may email the Executive Assistant, Kimberly Fugate, at kfugate@psfrd.org by 4:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting, to have their comments read during the meeting. The second option is to utilize the "Raise Hand" feature in Zoom during the meeting, and wait to be called upon during the appropriate time. The third option is to utilize Zoom's "Chat" feature and send any comments to the host during the meeting. When submitting any comments, be sure to include your full name and address for the record. More detailed instructions are forthcoming.



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VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE

THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

September 24, 2020

The Special Budget Meeting begins at 6:00 pm
The Workshop and Regular Meetings begin immediately
after the Special Budget Meeting
* VIA THE ZOOM PLATFORM *

AGENDA

SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

ACTION ITEMS: *Any member of the public may comment on any ACTION ITEM during this time. Please note the CHAIR will call for public comment during the time the ACTION ITEM is being considered by the Board. When called upon to speak, the speaker will state their full name and address. There will be a 3 minute time limit per speaker.¹*

**20-21 Adoption of the FY2020/2021 Final Budget
(Resolution 2020-04)**

Finance Director

ADJOURNMENT

¹ Please see Note as to Public Input.

**Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District
Board of Fire Commissioners**

Public Meeting and Public Hearing Information

Requirements for Appeal

Persons are advised that if they wish to appeal any decision made at a meeting/hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings; and for such purpose, they may need to insure that a verbatim transcript of the meeting is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is made.

It is not the responsibility of the Secretary to provide the above-referenced verbatim record. The Secretary will provide an audio recording of the meeting, upon request and payment for the materials used for the recording.

Public Input

Virtual Meeting:

Persons wishing to add comments during a virtual Meeting or Public Hearing should contact the Executive Assistant at kfugate@psfrd.org or (727) 595-1117 ext. 100 by 4:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting to have their comments read, or utilize the “Raise Hand” or “Chat” function of the Zoom platform and wait to be called on during the appropriate time.

In-Person Meeting:

Persons wishing to speak during any in-person Meeting or Public Hearing should try to complete a Citizen Comment Request Card at the entrance of the meeting room and submit the card to the Secretary to the Board. During each session, the Chair will call for Public Input at the appropriate times. The Board wishes to receive public input on all matters set for discussion on the agenda and on relevant topics that are not on the agenda. When recognized by the Chair and called to the podium, speakers should give their name and address for the record.

Persons may speak on an agenda item when the Board has finished their discussion on that item and prior to the vote. To speak on a non-agenda item, speakers will be called during the “General Remarks from the Audience” section of the agenda.

Please note that the Board reserves the right to adjust the time allotted to each speaker as the Chair deems proper to allow for meaningful input and a fair chance to be heard and to allow the Board fair time to undertake its duties and obligations.

When is the appropriate time to address my agenda item at a meeting?

When your non-agenda or agenda item comes up and our Chairperson call for Public Input, that

means that the Board desires to take "public input". This is the time to get up and speak. While we understand that some of you might be nervous to speak in public, please note that every effort will be made to help you feel comfortable. When called to the podium, please come to the podium and try to speak so that your input can be heard by the entire Board as well as by the other persons present. Please give your name and address for the record and feel proud that you have participated in "government in the sunshine!"

Accommodations

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding, or those requiring language assistance (*free of charge*) should contact the Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District Administration at (727) 595-1117 ext. 100 no later than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the proceeding. If contact is made after that time the District may not have sufficient time to make special accommodations.

RESOLUTION 2020-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PINELLAS SUNCOAST FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT ADOPTING THE FINAL 2020/2021 BUDGET; ADOPTING RATES OF ASSESSMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Whereas, the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District held a public hearing on the 24th day of September, 2020, to adopt a final budget for FY 2020/2021; and,

Whereas, the Board of Fire Commissioners has adopted a final **2020/2021 Operating and Capital Budget** in the amount of **\$7,537,830**, funded through **Fire Suppression** sources in the amount of **\$4,845,330**, **Emergency Medical Services** sources in the amount of **\$1,776,476**, **lease financing in the amount of \$500,000** and **Fund Balance** in the amount of **\$504,830**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PINELLAS SUNCOAST FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT;

SECTION 1. The Board of Commissioners of the Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District hereby adopts the final Operating Budget for the fiscal year starting on the 1st day of October, 2020, and ending the 30th day of September, 2021, as attached hereto and made a part hereof, in the amount of **\$4,756,524** for Fire Suppression, **\$1,776,476** for Emergency Medical Services, and **\$1,004,830** for capital expenditures, for a Total Operating Budget of **\$7,537,830**.

SECTION 2. The Board of Commissioners of the Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District adopts the present rate of special assessment as adopted by referendum vote on the 12th day of March, 2019.

SECTION 3. The Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District retains the right, from time to time, to amend, modify, repeal or discontinue all or any portion of this resolution.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall be effective when adopted and shall remain in full force and effect until supplemented, amended, modified, repealed, discontinued or otherwise altered.

SECTION 5. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase of this resolution, or the particular application thereof shall be held invalid by any court, administrative agency, or other body with appropriate jurisdiction, the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases under application shall not be affected thereby.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on the 24th day of September, 2020.

PINELLAS SUNCOAST FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT

Board of Commissioners:

ATTEST:

Joseph V. Bruni, Chair

Lawrence Schear, Secretary/Treasurer