

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 15, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners

VIA: James Slaton, City Manager

FROM: Mark J. Bennett, Development Services Director

SUBJECT: Resolution 2021-06 – Resolution to utilize the Uniform Method of collecting non- ad valorem assessments and adopting the special assessment roll.

SYNOPSIS: *Resolution 2021-06 declares the City's intent to utilize the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem assessments and adopts the assessment roll for 2021.*

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution 2021-06 after a public hearing, as required by Florida Statutes.

Public notice requirements have been met.

BACKGROUND

In February 2013, City commission adopted Ordinance 2013-04 – Abatement and Violation Assessment (Chapter 17.5), providing for the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessment for service liens. The City's intent is to collect service liens that are the result from services provided by the City to clean properties, repair or demolish buildings and the like, such services being a special benefit to the property owner. This does not include fines or administrative liens.

Ordinance 2013-04 established the City of Lake Wales in its entirety, as its city boundaries exist on the date of enactment and as they may be expanded or contracted from time to time as the special assessment district for the purposes of abatement and violation correction.

The resolution has been noticed per Florida Statute at least twenty (20) days in advance of the public hearing.

Staff published a potential list of properties in the notice and provided by first class mail a letter to every property owner that may be affected by this action.

OTHER OPTIONS

Decline the adoption of Resolution 2021-06

FISCAL IMPACT

This will provide for reimbursement of funds expended in the course of abating and correcting violations of the municipal code.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution 2021-06

Exhibit A – Assessment Roll