

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NOS. O-2017-13 AND O-2020-06, WHICH CREATED THE EMERALD HILLS SAFETY ENHANCEMENT DISTRICT; AMENDING SECTION 13 (SUNSET PROVISION) TO EXTEND THE DATE ON WHICH THE DISTRICT SHALL AUTOMATICALLY SUNSET UNLESS AGAIN EXTENDED; AMENDING SECTION 6 (FINANCING OF THE DISTRICT) TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT MAXIMUM PER PROPERTY PER YEAR; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. O-2017-13, which was passed and adopted on August 30, 2017, created the Emerald Hills Safety Enhancement District (“District”); and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. O-2020-06, passed and adopted on May 20, 2020, amended Ordinance No. O-2017-13 by extending the District’s sunset date to August 30, 2027, and requiring the District to submit an annual report to the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, the District Board conducted a resident survey to determine support for extending the District and adjusting the non-ad valorem assessment rate to keep pace with the rising costs associated with community policing initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the results of the survey demonstrated overwhelming support from residents for both extending the District and implementing a future rate increase; and

WHEREAS, Section 13, Ordinance No. O-2020-06 provides that District shall automatically be sunset on August 30, 2027, unless otherwise extended; and

WHEREAS, the District Board recommends extending the sunset date for ten years to August 30, 2037; and

WHEREAS, Section 6 of Ordinance No. O-2017-13, the operative financing provision, currently limits the non-ad valorem assessment to \$250.00 per property per year; and

WHEREAS, the District Board recommends increasing the non-ad valorem assessment cap to \$500.00 per property per year; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has determined that the continued operation of the District is in the best interest of the City and its residents for their health, safety, and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That the foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are incorporated in this Ordinance.

Section 2: That Section 3 of Ordinance No. O-2020-06, which amended Section 13 of Ordinance No. O-2017-13, is hereby further amended to read as follows¹:

Section 13. Sunset Provision. This Ordinance, as amended, shall automatically sunset on August 30, 2037, ~~August 30, 2027~~ unless otherwise extended.

Section 3: That Section 6 of Ordinance No. O-2017-13 is amended to read as follows:

Section 6: Financing of the District. In order to finance the purposes and operations of the District, the District shall have non-ad valorem assessment authority, which shall be limited to the sum of \$500.00 ~~\$250.00~~ per property per year.

Section 4: All provisions of Ordinance Nos. O-2017-13 and O-2020-06 not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5: Should any section, provision, paragraph, sentence, clause, or word of this Ordinance be held or declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, in part or application, it shall be considered as eliminated and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Ordinance.

Section 6: That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

¹ Coding: Words and figures underscored are additions to existing law; words and figures struck through are deletions.

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ADVERTISED on _____, 2026

PASSED on first reading this _____ day of _____, 2026.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on second reading this _____ day of _____, 2026.

JOSH LEVY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

DAMARIS HENLON
CITY ATTORNEY