



**DATE:** June 19, 2025  
**TO:** Mayor Carney, City Commissioners, City Manager Moore  
**FROM:** Laura Simon, Executive Director, Delray Beach DDA  
**CC:** DDA Board of Directors

**RE: FY25/26 LEVY OF AD VALOREM TAX OF THE DELRAY BEACH DDA DISTRICT**

**Background:**

*As per the State Statute House Bill 299, the DDA board is required to set the millage rate for the DDA district annually. Section 8. LEVY OF AD VALOREM TAX.—For the fiscal year of the Authority an ad valorem tax is levied annually for the purpose of financing the operation of the Authority on all property in the Downtown area that is subject to ad valorem taxation. The rate shall be no more than one mill on each dollar of tax base by written notice to the County tax collector at such time as he or she shall specify, may set a rate of less than one mill for the ensuing fiscal year.*

Palm Beach County Tax Appraisers office has provided the initial 2025 Estimated Taxable Value which is listed below showing a 11% increase over last year:

	<u>FY2024/25</u>	<u>FY2025/26</u>
Total Taxable Value of the DDA District:	<b>\$1,923,071,479</b>	<b>\$2,141,481,108</b>
Estimate of Net New Construction:	<b>\$ 26,053,950</b>	<b>\$ 94,024,324</b>

At the tentative millage levy of 1.000, this equates to the following: **\$2,034,407** for the FY25/26 budget, which is \$207,489 increase in revenue for the operating budget to be reinvested back into the DDA District. The Downtown Development Authority (DDA) meeting of July 14, 2025, the Board will seek to formally approve the tentative millage rate of 1.0000 to fund the operation of the DDA for fiscal year 2025-2026.

The DDA will hold budget workshops on June 24 and July 14 in preparation for the tentative and final millage and budget adoption at **two** public hearings in September. It is essential during this period that the DDA actively collaborates with its constituents and the city to ensure the development of a thoughtful and successful budget for **Fiscal Year 2025–2026**. In furtherance of this, the DDA has engaged with the City Manager's office to ensure a smooth process for the citizens, the City and the DDA.

**Summary:**

The DDA will collaborate and coordinate its millage and budget adoption responsibilities with the City Commission through the offices of the City Manager to fulfill our shared millage and budget requirements for the fiscal year 2025/2026.

Attached: Estimated Taxable Value 2025 from the Property Appraiser  
DDA to provide presentation at City Commission meeting