

**MINUTES
CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH
SPECIAL CITY COMMISSION MEETING
Wednesday, September 23, 2026
6:00 p.m.**

The Indian Rocks Beach City Commission held a special meeting at 6:00 p.m. on September 23, 2026, in the Civic Auditorium/Commission Chambers at City Hall, located at 1507 Bay Palm Blvd., Indian Rocks Beach, Florida.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Commissioner Vaughan called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL

Commission Members Present:

- Mayor Commissioner Lan Vaughan
- Vice Mayor Commissioner Janet Wilson
- Commissioner John Bigelow
- Commissioner Hilary King
- Commissioner Kellee Watt

Staff Present: City Manager Ryan Henderson, City Attorney Matthew Maggard, Administrative Director Robin Gomez, and City Clerk Lorin Kornijtschuk.

(To provide continuity for research, items are listed in agenda order although not necessarily discussed in that order.)

1. Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget Public Hearings

1.1 Ordinance No. 2026-06 — Public Hearing / Second Reading

Adopting the final levying of ad valorem taxes for the City of Indian Rocks Beach, Pinellas County, Florida, Fiscal Year 2026/2027; providing for notification of requisite government authorities; and providing for an effective date.

City Attorney Matthew Maggard read the Ordinance by title only.

Administrative Director Robin Gomez presented Ordinance No. 2026-06:

The proposed millage rate of 1.7300 for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 is the same rate as the current year and would be the fourth consecutive year at that rate. The total assessed value of real and personal property within the city increased approximately 5.26% over the prior year to just under \$2.25 billion. The proposed millage rate of 1.7300 is approximately 2.74% above the rollback rate of 1.6838. The rollback rate is defined as the rate that would generate the same revenue as the current year using next year's valuations. The proposed rate of 1.7300 is the fourth lowest millage rate in Pinellas County.

Mayor Commissioner Vaughan opened neighbor comments; hearing and seeing no one wishing to speak, Mayor Commissioner Vaughan closed neighbor comments.

Motion: Adopt Ordinance No. 2026-06, on second reading, adopting the final levying of ad valorem taxes for the City of Indian Rocks Beach for Fiscal Year 2026/2027, providing for notification of requisite government authorities and providing for an effective date, and 1.7300 as the millage rate.

Moved by: Vice Mayor Commissioner Wilson

Seconded by: Commissioner Watt

Motion passed (5-0)

Roll Call Vote:

- Commissioner Watt - Yes
- Commissioner Bigelow - Yes
- Commissioner King - Yes
- Vice Mayor Commissioner Wilson - Yes
- Mayor Commissioner Vaughan - Yes

1.2 Ordinance No. 2026-07 — Public Hearing / Second Reading

Ordinance of the City of Indian Rocks Beach, Pinellas County, Florida, Adopting a Budget for Fiscal Year 2026/2027, making appropriations and operating expenditures for fiscal year 2026 through 2027, providing for notification of requisite government authorities and providing for an effective date.

City Attorney Matthew Maggard read the Ordinance by title only.

Administrative Director Robin Gomez presented Ordinance No. 2026-07.

Mayor Commissioner Vaughan opened neighbor comments; hearing and seeing no one wishing to speak, Mayor Commissioner Vaughan closed neighbor comments.

Motion: Adopt Ordinance No. 2026-07, on second reading, adopting a Budget for Fiscal Year 2026/2027, making appropriations and operating expenditures for fiscal year 2026 through 2027, providing for notification of requisite government authorities and providing for an effective date.

Moved by: Vice Mayor Commissioner Wilson

Seconded by: Commissioner Watt

Motion passed (5-0)

Roll Call Vote:

- Commissioner Watt - Yes
- Commissioner Bigelow - Yes
- Commissioner King - Yes
- Vice Mayor Commissioner Wilson - Yes
- Mayor Commissioner Vaughan - Yes

1.3 City Manager Annual Performance Evaluation.

City Manager thanked the Commission and City staff. He reviewed his accomplishments and areas of organizational progress over the past year.

Mayor Commissioner Vaughan opened neighbor comments; hearing and seeing no one wishing to speak, Mayor Commissioner Vaughan closed neighbor comments.

Motion: Approve a salary adjustment of 5% for the City Manager.

Moved by: Vice Mayor Commissioner Wilson

Seconded by: Commissioner Watt

Motion passed (5-0)

Roll Call Vote:

- Commissioner Watt - Yes
- Commissioner Bigelow - Yes
- Commissioner King - Yes
- Vice Mayor Commissioner Wilson - Yes
- Mayor Commissioner Vaughan - Yes

Adjournment

Motion made by Vice Mayor Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Watt to adjourn at 6:13 p.m.

Attestation

These minutes are submitted as a true and accurate record of the Special City Commission Meeting of the City of Indian Rocks Beach held on Wednesday, September 23, 2026.

Lorin A. Kornijtschuk

Date: 10/13/2026

Lorin A. Kornijtschuk, City Clerk
City of Indian Rocks Beach

[Signature]

Date: 10/13/26

Lan Vaughan, Mayor Commissioner
City of Indian Rocks Beach

