

# CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

## **PALM BEACH COUNTY**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING JUNE 20, 2024 6:00 p.m.

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Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

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## AGENDA CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Meeting Room at The Wellington Branch Library 1951 Royal Fern Drive Wellington, Florida 33414

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING

June 20, 2024 6:00 p.m.

A.	Call to Order
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K.	Board Members Comments
L.	Adjourn



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CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors of the Cyperss Lokes Community Development District will hold Regular Meetings at the Wellington Branch Library located at 1951 Royal Fern Drive, Wellington, Florida 33414 at 6:00 p.m. on the following dates:

October 19, 2023 November 16, 2023 December 21, 2023 January 18, 2024 February 15, 2024 March 21, 2024 April 18, 2024 July 18, 2024 July 18, 2024 August 15, 2024 Sontember 18, 2024

The purpose of the meetings is to conduct any and all business coming befare the Board. Meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida low. Copies of the Agenda for any of the meetings may be obtained from the District's website or by contacting the District Manager at (561) 630-4922 and/or toll free of 1-877-373-4922 five (5) days prior to the date of the particulor meeting.

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In accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, only person requiring special accommodations or an interpreter to participate at any other participate of any of these meetings should contact the District Manager (1561) 630-4920 and/or tall-free of 1-877-737-4922 at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the particular meeting.

Meetings may be concelled from time to time without advertised notice.

CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

www.cypresslakescdd.org October 6, 2023 #9343390

## CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING APRIL 18, 2024

## A. CALL TO ORDER

District Manager Jason Pierman called the April 18, 2024, Regular Board Meeting of the Cypress Lakes Community Development District (the "District") to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Wellington Branch Library located at 1951 Royal Fern Drive, Wellington, Florida 33414.

## B. PROOF OF PUBLICATION

Mr. Pierman presented proof of publication that notice of the Regular Board Meeting had been published in the *Palm Beach Post* on October 6, 2023, as part of the District's Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Meeting Schedule, as legally required.

## C. ESTABLISH A QUORUM

Mr. Pierman determined that the attendance of Chairman Michael DeBock, Vice Chairman Jonathan Strackman and Supervisors Alissa Strackman and Sam Young constituted a quorum and it was in order to proceed with the meeting.

Staff in attendance were: District Manager Jason Pierman of Special District Services, Inc., and General Counsel Scott Cochran of Billing, Cochran, Lyles, Mauro & Ramsey, P.A.

## D. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

## E. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments from the public for items not on the agenda.

## F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. October 19, 2023, Regular Board Meeting

Mr. Pierman presented the minutes of the October 19, 2023, Regular Board Meeting and asked if there were any changes or additions.

There being none, a **motion** was then made by Mr. Strackman, seconded by Mr. Young and unanimously passed approving the minutes of the October 19, 2023, Regular Board Meeting, as presented.

#### G. OLD BUSINESS

There were no Old Business items to come before the Board.

#### H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider Resolution No. 2024-01 – Adopting a Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Proposed Budget

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-01**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING A PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A **motion** was made by Mrs. Strackman, seconded by Mr. DeBock and passed unanimously adopting Resolution No. 2024-01, as presented, and setting the Public Hearing for June 20, 2024.

## 2. Discussion Regarding Required Ethics Training

Mr. Pierman noted that SDS had placed links to the free training, as well as a link to file the Form 1, on its company website, and reminded the Board that the training must be completed by the end of the calendar year.

## I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

There were no Administrative Matters to come before the Board.

## J. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no further comments from the Board Members.

## K. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further	r business to come be	efore the Board, the	e Regular Board I	Meeting was adjour	med at
6:05 p.m. on a <b>motion</b>	n made by Mr. DeBoo	ck, seconded by M	Ir. Strackman and	passed unanimous	ly.

Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chair/Vice-Chair		

Publication Date 2024-06-07

Subcategory Miscellaneous Notices

Notice of Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting of the Cypress Lakes Community Development District

The Board of Supervisors (the Board) of the Cypress Lakes Community Development District (the District) will hold a Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting on June 20, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the meeting can be heard, at the Wellington Branch Library located at 1951 Royal Fern Drive, Wellington, Florida 33414.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive public comment on the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Proposed Final Budget of the District. The purpose of the Regular Board Meeting is for the Board to consider any other business which may properly come before it. A copy of the Budget and/or the Agenda may be obtained from the Districts website (www.cypresslakescdd.org) or at the offices of the District Manager, 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410, during normal business hours. The meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law for community development districts. Meetings may be continued as found necessary to a time and place specified on the record.

There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone; therefore, a speaker telephone will be present at the meeting location so that Supervisors may be fully informed of the discussions taking place.

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-02**

# A RESOLUTION OF THE CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADOPTING A FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 BUDGET.

**WHEREAS**, the Cypress Lakes Community Development District ("District") has prepared a Proposed Budget and Final Special Assessment Roll for Fiscal Year 2024/2025 and has held a duly advertised Public Hearing to receive public comments on the Proposed Budget and Final Special Assessment Roll; and,

**WHEREAS**, following the Public Hearing and the adoption of the Proposed Budget and Final Assessment Roll, the District is now authorized to levy non ad-valorem assessments upon the properties within the District.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT THAT:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Final Budget and Final Special Assessment Roll for Fiscal Year 2024/2025 attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is approved and adopted, and the assessments set forth therein shall be levied.

PASSED, ADOPTED and EFFECTIVE this 20th day of June, 2024

<u>Section 2</u>. The Secretary of the District is authorized to execute any and all necessary transmittals, certifications or other acknowledgements or writings, as necessary, to comply with the intent of this Resolution.

ATTEST:	CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
By:	By:
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	Chairperson/Vice Chairperson

# Cypress Lakes Community Development District

Final Budget For Fiscal Year 2024/2025 October 1, 2024 - September 30, 2025

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## **FINAL BUDGET**

## CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 OCTOBER 1, 2024 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

REVENUES	F	FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 BUDGET
O & M Assessments		
		78,137
Debt Assessments		119,734
Other Revenues Interest Income		0
interest income		480
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	198,351
EXPENDITURES		
Supervisor Fees		4,000
Payroll Taxes (Employer)		320
Engineering		1,500
Management		28,572
Secretarial		4,200
Legal		7,000
Assessment Roll		6,000
Audit Fees		3,900
Insurance		7,100
Legal Advertisements		1,300
Miscellaneous		600
Postage		125
Office Supplies		275
Dues & Subscriptions		175
Trustee Fee		4,100
Continuing Disclosure Fee		1,000
Website Management		2,000
Reserve		1,762
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	73,929
REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES	\$	124,422
Bond Payments		(112,550)
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BALANCE	\$	11,872
County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee		(3,957)
Discounts For Early Payments		(7,915)
EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$	-
Carryover From Prior Year		0
Carryover From Front Teal		U
NET EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$	-

## **DETAILED FINAL BUDGET**

## CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 OCTOBER 1, 2024 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	
	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025	004445470
O & M Assessments	ACTUAL 74.522	73,137	BUDGET	COMMENTS Expenditures Less Interest & Carryover/.94
Debt Assessments	123,562	·		Bond Payments/.94
Other Revenues	123,302		0	Bond Fayments/.94
Interest Income	2,390			Interest Projected At \$20.00 Per Month
interest meome	2,030	240	400	interest i rojected At \$20.00 i er Montii
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 200,474	\$ 198,111	\$ 198,351	
EXPENDITURES				
Supervisor Fees	1,800	4,000	4,000	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Payroll Taxes (Employer)	138	320	320	Projected At 8% Of Supervisor Fees
Engineering	0	1,500	1,500	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Management	26,940	27,744	28,572	CPI Adjustment (Capped At 3%)
Secretarial	4,200	4,200	4,200	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Legal	6,300	·		No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Assessment Roll	6,000	<u> </u>	6,000	As Per Contract
Audit Fees	3,700			\$100 Increase From 2023/2024 Budget
Insurance	6,134			FY 23/24 Expenditure Was \$6,594
Legal Advertisements	670			No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Miscellaneous	235			No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Postage	93			No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Office Supplies	203			\$25 Decrease From 2023/2024 Budget
Dues & Subscriptions	175			No Change From 2022/2023 Budget
Trustee Fee	4,089			No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Continuing Disclosure Fee	1,000			No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Website Management Reserve	2,000			No Change From 2023/2024 Budget Reserve
Reserve	0	0	1,702	Reserve
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 63,677	\$ 70,664	\$ 73,929	
REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES	\$ 136,797	\$ 127,447	\$ 124,422	
Bond Payments	(117,759)	(117,250)	(112,550)	2025 P & I Payments Less Earned Interest
BALANCE	\$ 19,038	\$ 10,197	\$ 11,872	
County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee	(1,469)	(3,957)	(3,957)	Two Percent Of Total Assessment Roll
Discounts For Early Payments	(7,406)	(7,915)		Four Percent Of Total Assessment Roll
EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$ 10,163	\$ (1,675)	\$ -	
Carryover From Prior Year	0	1,675	0	Carryover Balance From Prior Years
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NET EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	\$ 10,163	\$ 0	<b>\$</b> -	

## **DETAILED FINAL DEBT SERVICE BUDGET**

CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 OCTOBER 1, 2024 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	FISCAL YEAR	
	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025	
REVENUES	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	COMMENTS
Interest Income	6,232	100	300	Projected Interest For 2024/2025
NAV Tax Collection	117,759	117,250	112,550	2025 P & I Payments Less Earned Interest
Total Revenues	\$ 123,991	\$ 117,350	\$ 112,850	
EXPENDITURES				
Principal Payments	60,000	65,000	65,000	Principal Payment Due In 2025
Interest Payments	57,900	52,350	47,850	Interest Payments Due In 2025
Extraordinary Principal Payments	0	0	0	
Total Expenditures	\$ 117,900	<b>\$</b> 117,350	\$ 112,850	
Excess/ (Shortfall)	\$ 6,091	\$ -	\$ -	

## **Series 2004 Bond Information**

Original Par Amount = \$1,745,000 Annual Principal Payments Due = May 1st

Interest Rate = 6.00% Annual Interest Payments Due = May 1st & November 1st

Issue Date = August 2004
Maturity Date = May 2034

Par Amount As Of 1/1/24 = \$895,000

# **Cypress Lakes Community Development District Assessment Comparison**

	Fi	Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year		Fiscal Year	
	2	021/2022	2	022/2023	2	023/2024	2	024/2025	
	As	sessment*	As	sessment*	As	sessment*	Projecte	ed Assessment*	
O & M	\$	647.49	\$	695.06	\$	683.53	\$	730.26	
<u>Debt</u>	\$	1,201.78	\$	1,154.21	\$	1,165.74	\$	1,119.01	
Total	\$	1,849.27	\$	1,849.27	\$	1,849.27	\$	1,849.27	

## Community Information:

Total Units 107

<sup>\*</sup> Assessments Include the Following :

<sup>4%</sup> Discount for Early Payments

<sup>1%</sup> County Tax Collector Fee

<sup>1%</sup> County Property Appraiser Fee

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-03**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, ESTABLISHING A REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 AND SETTING THE TIME AND LOCATION OF SAID DISTRICT MEETINGS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the Cypress Lakes Community Development District ("District") to establish a regular meeting schedule for fiscal year 2024/2025; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Supervisors of the District has set a regular meeting schedule, location and time for District meetings for fiscal year 2024/2025 which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "A".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** The above recitals are hereby adopted.

Section 2. The regular meeting schedule, time and location for meetings for fiscal year 2024/2025 which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is hereby adopted and authorized to be published.

PASSED, ADOPTED and EFFECTIVE this 20th day of June, 2024.

ATTEST:	CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
By:	By:
Secretary/Assistant Secretary	

## CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

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#### CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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# CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AUDITOR SELECTION EVALUATION CRITERIA

## 1. Ability of Personnel (10 Points).

(E.g., geographic locations of the firm's headquarters or permanent office in relation to the project; capabilities and experience of key personnel; evaluation of existing work load; proposed staffing levels, etc.)

## 2. Proposer's Experience (10 Points).

(E.g. past record and experience of the Proposer in similar projects; volume of work previously performed by the firm; past performance for other Community Development Districts in other contracts; character, integrity, reputation of Proposer, etc.)

## 3. Understanding of Scope of Work (10 Points).

Extent to which the proposal demonstrates an understanding of the District's needs for the services requested.

## 4. Ability to Furnish the Required Services (10 Points).

Present ability to manage this project and the extent to which the proposal demonstrates the adequacy of Proposer's financial resources and stability as a business entity necessary to complete the services required (E.g. the existence of any natural disaster plan for business operations).

## 5. *Price* (10 Points).

Points will be awarded based upon the price bid for the rendering of the services and reasonableness of the price to the services.

## CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

District Auditing Services for Fiscal Years 2023/2024, 2024/2025 and 2025/2026 With Two Year Option (2026/2027 and 2027/2028) Palm Beach County, Florida

## CYPRESS LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AUDITOR SELECTION INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

- **SECTION 1. DUE DATE.** Sealed proposals must be received no later than August 22, 2024 at 4:00 p.m., at the offices of District Manager, located at 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.
- **SECTION 2. FAMILIARITY WITH THE LAW.** By submitting a proposal, the Proposer is affirming its familiarity and understanding with all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that in any manner affect the work. Ignorance on the part of the Proposer will in no way relieve it from responsibility to perform the work covered by the proposal in compliance with all such laws, ordinances and regulations.
- **SECTION 3. QUALIFICATIONS OF PROPOSER.** The contract, if awarded, will only be awarded to a responsible Proposer who is qualified by experience and licensing to do the work specified herein. The Proposer shall submit with its proposal satisfactory evidence of experience in similar work and show that it is fully prepared to complete the work to the satisfaction of the District.
- **SECTION 4. REJECTION OF PROPOSAL.** Proposers shall be disqualified and their proposals rejected if the District has reason to believe that collusion may exist among the Proposers, the Proposer has defaulted on any previous contract or is in arrears on any previous or existing contract, or for failure to demonstrate proper licensure and business organization.
- **SECTION 5. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL.** Submit one (1) copy of the Proposal Documents and one digital copy, and other requested attachments at the time and place indicated herein, which shall be enclosed in an opaque sealed envelope, marked with the title "Auditing Services Cypress Lakes Community Development District" on the face of it.
- **SECTION 6. MODIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL.** Proposals may be modified or withdrawn by an appropriate document duly executed and delivered to the place where proposals are to be submitted at any time prior to the time and date the proposals are due. After proposals are opened by the District, no proposal may be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days.

- **SECTION 7. PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS.** The proposal documents shall consist of the notice announcing the request for proposals, these instructions, the Evaluation Criteria Sheet and a proposal with all required documentation pursuant to Section 12 of these instructions (the "Proposal Documents").
- **SECTION 8. PROPOSAL.** In making its proposal, each Proposer represents that it has read and understands the Proposal Documents and that the proposal is made in accordance therewith.
- **SECTION 9. BASIS OF AWARD/RIGHT TO REJECT.** The District reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, make modifications to the work, and waive any informalities or irregularities in proposals as it is deemed in the best interests of the District.
- **SECTION 10. CONTRACT AWARD.** Within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the Notice of Award from the District, the Proposer shall enter into and execute a Contract (engagement letter) with the District.
- **SECTION 11. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.** Nothing herein shall be construed as or constitute a waiver of District's limited waiver of liability contained in section 768.28, Florida Statutes, or any other statute or law.
- **SECTION 12. MISCELLANEOUS.** All proposals shall include the following information in addition to any other requirements of the proposal documents.
  - A. List position or title of all personnel to perform work on the District audit. Include resumes or each person listed; list years of experience in present position for each party listed and years of related experience.
  - B. Describe proposed staffing levels, including resumes with applicable certifications.
  - C. Three references from projects of similar size and scope. The Proposer should include information relating to the work it conducted for each reference as well as a name, address and phone number of a contact person.
- **SECTION 13. PROTESTS.** Any protest regarding the Proposal Documents, must be filed in writing, at the offices of the District Manager, within seventy-two (72) hours after receipt of the Request for Proposals and Evaluation Criteria or other contract documents. The formal protest setting forth with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based shall be filed within seven (7) calendar days after the initial notice of protest was filed. Failure to timely file a notice of protest or failure to timely file a formal written protest shall constitute a waiver of any right to object or protest with respect to the aforesaid Request for Proposals, Evaluation Criteria, or other contract documents.

**SECTION 14. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS.** The criteria to be used in the evaluation are presented in the Evaluation Criteria Sheet, contained within the Proposal Documents.

**SECTION 15. REJECTION OF ALL PROPOSALS.** The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids, with or without cause, and to waive technical errors and informalities, as determined to be in the best interests of the District.