

**\*\*\*\*\*NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER\*\*\*\*\***

**Brevard County Board of County Commissioners  
Brevard County Fire Rescue – Fire Operations  
1040 South Florida Avenue  
Rockledge, Florida 32955**

**Notice Date: April XX, 2025**

[OWNER NAME]  
[OWNER ADDRESS LINE\_1]  
[OWNER ADDRESS LINE\_2]  
[OWNER ADDRESS LINE\_3]

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BREVARD COUNTY FIRE SERVICES SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RATE**

**Contacts: If you have questions about the Fire Assessment please call Brevard County Fire Rescue: (321) 633-2056. Also see our Frequently Asked Questions at <https://www.brevardfl.gov/firerescue/Education/FAQ>.**

**If you have questions about your city being included in the assessment please call your city: City of West Melbourne: (321) 727-7700; Town of Palm Shores: (321) 242-4555; Town of Melbourne Village: (321) 723-8300 and Town of Grant-Valkaria: (321) 951-1380.**

Dear Property Owner,

This letter is to notify you the County will consider a proposed adjustment to your current Fire Services Special Assessment that will be included in your 2025 property tax bill to support fire services and the calculation for the Fire Services Special Assessment on an annual basis going forward. Brevard County Fire Rescue is the provider of fire services/protection services within the unincorporated area of Brevard County, the City of West Melbourne, the Town of Grant-Valkaria, the Town of Melbourne Village, and the Town of Palm Shores (the "Benefit Area"). The Department provides fire protection services and levies the Fire Services Special Assessment fee to provide partial funding to pay the cost of making fire services/protection available for all improved property within the benefit area of the County.

The Fire Services Special Assessment is collected using the uniform method for the levy, collection, and enforcement of non-ad valorem assessments as set forth in Chapter 197, Florida Statutes. The Fire Services Special Assessment is an existing non-ad valorem assessment that is annually assessed. Based upon the proposed adjustment, the total annual Fire Services Special Assessment revenue to be collected for fiscal year 2025-2026 is estimated to be up to \$##,###,###.##. Also proposed is an annual increase to the Fire Services Special Assessment equal to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or 3% whichever is less. If approved, the proposed assessment for your property (see details below) starts in the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025. For each fiscal year thereafter, the rate will increase by CPI or 3%, whichever is less, until such time when further action is considered by the Board of County Commissioners.

The amount of the Fire Services Special Assessment to be applied against each parcel will be based upon the property use code designated by the Property Appraiser and square footage ranges, where applicable, as well as the applicable hazard code, as determined by the National Fire Protection Agency standard. Further information on the rules governing the Fire Assessment can be found in Section 98-46 to 98-59 of the Brevard

County Code of Ordinances at

[https://library.municode.com/fl/brevard\\_county/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances?nodeId=PTIICOOR\\_CH98SPDI\\_ARTIIMUSEBEUNMSS\\_DIV3SPASREPR\\_S98-46PU](https://library.municode.com/fl/brevard_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=PTIICOOR_CH98SPDI_ARTIIMUSEBEUNMSS_DIV3SPASREPR_S98-46PU)

The proposed assessment for the subject property is calculated below. The Town of Palm Shores (Resolution 2007-01), the Town of Melbourne Village (Resolution 2007-01), the Town of Grant-Valkaria (Resolution 2007-11) and the City of West Melbourne (Resolution 2007-08) have authorized the County to include the properties located within their boundaries in the Fire Services Special Assessment under the same rate schedule as properties in the unincorporated area of the County. If you have questions about your Town/City's participation in the assessment, we ask that you contact the City or Town manager at the phone number above.

**Site Address or Legal Description:**

[SITE ADDRESS\_1]

[SITE ADDRESS\_2]

[LegalDesc]

**Billing Units within this Parcel:** [#]

**Acres:** [#.##]

**Based Upon Square Footage of:** [#####]

**Use Code Designation:** [###]

**Base Rate Factor or Hazard Code:** [XXX#]

**Parcel ID Number:**

[Parcelid]

**Current Special Assessment Levied:** \$###.##

**Proposed Fire Services Special Assessment to be levied annually against this Parcel up to: + \$###.##**

**Tax Account Number:**

[#####]

**Difference between current and proposed annual rate, up to: + \$###.##**

If approved by the Board of County Commissioners, the proposed Fire Service Special Assessment will be reflected in your 2025 tax bill which is sent in November 2025.

Pursuant to Chapter 197, Florida Statutes, and at the direction of the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners, Notice is given that **the Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. on May 20, 2025**, to consider the rates for the Brevard County Fire Rescue Fire Service Special Assessment. The hearing will be held in the Commission Board Room, Building C, 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, Florida 32940. You and all other affected property owners have a right to appear at the hearing and be heard on the subject. You also have the right to file written objections with the Board of County Commissioners at the above address within twenty (20) days of receiving this notice. The Fire Services Special Assessment will continue annually at the rates established at this hearing until further action of the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners. The Fire Services Special Assessment shall appear on the ad valorem tax bill 2025 that is mailed in November 2025 and will be collected by the Tax Collector.

Pursuant to Chapter 197, Florida Statutes, we are required to notify you that failure to pay the assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against your property and may result in loss of title.

**\*\*\*\*\*THIS IS NOT A BILL\*\*\*\*\***