



AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING - PUBLIC HEARING FOR TENTATIVE AD VALOREM & BUDGET

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 08, 2025 at 5:01 PM

Bonifay City Hall Council Meeting Room – 301 J Harvey Etheridge St.

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Invocation

B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. APPROVE AGENDA

III. PUBLIC HEARING

IV. RESOLUTION 2025-08

[A.](#) TENTATIVE AD VALOREM TAXES

V. RESOLUTION 2025-09

[A.](#) TENTATIVE BUDGET

VI. ADJOURN

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RESOLUTION 2025-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BONIFAY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A TENTATIVE LEVY OF MILLAGE FOR AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF BONIFAY'S FISCAL YEAR 2026; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Bonifay, Florida, on the 8th day of September 2025, held the public hearing to introduce the tentative millage rate as required by Florida Statute 200.065; and

WHEREAS the gross taxable value for operating purposes, not exempt from taxation, within the City of Bonifay, Florida, has been certified by the Holmes County Property Appraiser to the City of Bonifay as \$137,170,853

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Bonifay, Florida, that:

1. The Fiscal Year 2026 tentative operating millage rate for Citywide is 3.5000 mills, which is more than the rolled-back rate of 2.7478 mills by 27.37%
2. The Fiscal Year 2026 tentative operating millage rate of 3.5000 mills, as shown above, is adopted by vote of the City Council as evidenced by the signatures below.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 8th day of September 2025.

CITY OF BONIFAY, FLORIDA

Larry F Cook, Mayor

Attest:

Tracy Walker, Interim City Clerk

RESOLUTION 2025-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BONIFAY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BONIFAY’S FISCAL YEAR 2026; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Bonifay, Florida, on the 8th day of September 2025, held the public hearing to introduce the tentative budget as required by Florida Statute 200.065; and

WHEREAS the City of Bonifay, Florida, set forth the total budgeted revenues and unappropriated reserves estimate for the Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 of \$16,874,699.75.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Bonifay, Florida, that:

- 1. The Fiscal Year 2026 tentative budget is adopted, a summary of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 2. The Fiscal Year 2026 tentative budget, as shown above, is adopted by vote of the City Council as evidenced by the signatures below.
- 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 8th day of September 2025.

CITY OF BONIFAY, FLORIDA

Larry F Cook, Mayor

Attest:

Tracy Walker, Interim City Clerk

FY 2026	Description	AMOUNT
Legislative	Executive Salaries	\$18,000.00
	Social Security Tax	\$1,116.00
	Medicare	\$261.00
	Workers Comp Insurance	\$746.30
	Telephone Service	\$2,528.08
	Insurance & Bonds	\$18,626.36
	Community Outreach	\$5,000.00
	Misc. Expense	\$5,000.00
	Department Total	\$51,277.74
Legal	Legal Counsel Fees	\$95,000.00
	Department Total	\$95,000.00

FY 2026

Description	AMOUNT
Salaries-Regular	\$311,792.55
Social Security Tax	\$19,331.14
Medicare	\$4,520.99
FRS Retirement Expense	\$30,398.37
VALIC Retirement Expense	\$9,212.24
Health Insurance	\$78,322.86
Workers Comp Ins	\$8,012.72
Professional Services	\$8,820.00
Surveying	\$0.00
Audit Expense	\$9,125.00
Contractual Svc-Reg	\$5,000.00
Contractual Svc-Computer	\$55,000.00
Bank Charges	\$200.00
Late Fees	\$100.00
Education/Recertification	\$5,000.00
Travel Expense	\$5,000.00
Telephone Service	\$7,500.00
Postage	\$1,000.00
Utilities	\$9,000.00
Lease/Rent	\$5,000.00
Bonds & Insurance	\$150.00
Insurance	\$20,548.13
Repairs & Maintenance	\$5,000.00
Notices & Legals	\$10,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense	\$1,000.00
Provide For Doubtful Accts	\$22,000.00
Cash Over/Short	\$100.00
Waukesha Way	\$20,000.00
Supplies	\$15,000.00
Engineer Services	\$0.00
Dues/License/Membership	\$5,500.00
Equipment	\$8,353.15
Department Total	\$679,987.15

Admin

FY 2026

Description	AMOUNT
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Police	Salaries-Regular	\$636,514.22
	K-9 Reimbursement	\$7,371.00
	Social Security Tax	\$39,920.88
	Medicare	\$9,336.34
	FRS Retirement Expense	\$201,408.45
	VALIC Retirement Expense	\$4,158.83
	Health Insurance	\$155,787.72
	Workers Comp Ins	\$19,341.00
	Unemployment Compensation	\$0.00
	Contractual Svc-Reg	\$14,000.00
	Contractual Svc-Computer	\$60,000.00
	Holmes Co Commissioners	\$49,000.00
	Investigations	\$1,700.00
	Bank Charges	\$0.00
	Travel Expense	\$6,000.00
	Telephone Service	\$20,000.00
	Postage	\$300.00
	Utilities	\$4,500.00
	Vehicle Lease	\$35,000.00
	Lease - Copier/Toughbooks	\$12,000.00
	Insurance	\$23,392.85
	Repairs & Maintenance	\$30,000.00
	Notices & Legals	\$0.00
	Police Auxiliary-Special Acct	\$4,500.00
	Miscellaneous Expense	\$7,000.00
	Police Forfeiture Fund-Special	\$0.00
	Supplies	\$35,000.00
	Community Outreach	\$5,000.00
	Uniforms	\$15,000.00
	Fuel/Oil	\$35,000.00
	Dues/License/Membership	\$3,000.00
	Education/Recertification	\$7,500.00
	Equipment	\$19,139.17
	Department Total	\$1,460,870.45

FY 2026

Description	AMOUNT
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Fire	Salaries-Other	\$57,180.00
	Volunteer Stipend	\$37,500.00
	Social Security Tax	\$3,545.16
	Medicare	\$829.11
	Retirement Expense	\$0.00
	Health Insurance	\$0.00
	Workers Comp Ins	\$2,000.00
	Professional Services	\$0.00
	Contractual Svc-Reg	\$500.00
	Contractual Svc-Computer	\$2,000.00
	Holmes Co Commissioners	\$22,000.00
	Travel Expenses	\$500.00
	Telecommunications	\$8,000.00
	Postage	\$0.00
	Utilities	\$8,500.00
	Insurance	\$17,331.08
	Repairs & Maintenance	\$55,000.00
	Fire Dept-Special Acct	\$0.00
	Miscellaneous Expense	\$500.00
	Supplies	\$22,000.00
	PPE	\$11,000.00
	Community Outreach	\$5,000.00
	Uniforms	\$9,000.00
	Fuel/Oil	\$10,000.00
	Dues/Subscriptions	\$2,000.00
	Fire Safety Education	\$2,000.00
	Equipment	\$29,874.48
	Capital Outlay Expense	\$10,000.00
	Fire Dept Grant Expense	\$0.00
	Fire Station Expansion	\$0.00
	Department Total	\$316,259.83

FY 2026

Description	AMOUNT
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Cemetery	Salaries-Regular	\$8,742.46
	Social Security Tax	\$542.03
	Medicare	\$126.77
	Valic Retirement	\$714.21
	Health Insurance	\$3,771.28
	Workers Comp Ins	\$282.11
	Unemployment Compensation	\$0.00
	Contractual Svc-Reg	\$0.00
	Holmes Co Commissioners	\$25,000.00
	Telephone Service	\$1,200.00
	Utilities	\$1,500.00
	Insurance	\$315.43
	Repairs & Maintenance	\$0.00
	Miscellaneous Expense	\$0.00
	Tree Trimming And Cutting	\$1,500.00
	Operating Supplies	\$200.00
	Uniforms	\$125.00
	Fuel/Oil	\$0.00
	Equipment	\$0.00
	Capital Outlay Expense	\$0.00
	Department Total	\$44,019.29

FY 2026

Description	AMOUNT
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Streets	Salaries-Regular	\$157,610.44
	Social Security Tax	\$9,771.85
	Medicare	\$2,285.35
	FRS Retirement Expense	\$16,853.56
	VALIC Retirement Expense	\$3,968.04
	Health Insurance	\$50,372.96
	Workers Comp Ins	\$4,492.53
	Unemployment Compensation	\$0.00
	R/R Contracts	\$10,000.00
	Holmes County Board of County Comm	\$40,000.00
	Bank Charges	\$0.00
	Telephone Service	\$500.00
	Utilities	\$75,000.00
	Rent/Lease	\$16,030.32
	Insurance	\$11,822.14
	Repairs & Maintenance	\$15,000.00
	Depreciation Expense	\$0.00
	Miscellaneous Expense	\$18,000.00
	Street Signs	\$3,500.00
	Fuel Tax	\$200.00
	Tree Trimming and Cutting	\$11,000.00
	Disposal-Trash/Dead Animals	\$4,000.00
	Down Home Street Festival	\$0.00
	Supplies	\$30,000.00
	Street Decorations	\$20,000.00
	Uniforms	\$2,000.00
	Fuel/Oil	\$4,500.00
	Engineer Services	\$50,692.56
	Road Materials/Culverts	\$0.00
	Permits/Vehicle Titles/Tags	\$150.00
	Education/Recertification	\$0.00
	Land/Easement Fees	\$0.00
	Equipment	\$14,537.86
	Department Total	\$572,287.60

Street Repair Project		
	Street Repairs	\$85,000.00
	Department Total	\$85,000.00

FY 2026	Description	AMOUNT
Health	Arthropod Control	\$5,000.00
	Department Total	\$5,000.00
Parks & Rec	Salaries-Regular	\$51,115.06
	Social Security Tax	\$3,169.13
	Medicare	\$741.17
	FRS Retirement Expense	\$0.00
	VALIC Retirement Expense	\$4,666.80
	Health Insurance	\$15,566.89
	Workers Comp Ins	\$1,931.96
	Contractual Svc-Computer	\$0.00
	Utilities	\$72,000.00
	Rent/Lease	\$10,500.00
	Insurance	\$8,478.26
	Repairs & Maintenance	\$7,500.00
	Miscellaneous Expense	\$0.00
	Supplies	\$5,000.00
	Uniforms	\$500.00
	Fuel/Oil	\$6,000.00
	Engineering Services	\$0.00
	Equipment	\$0.00
	Capital Outlay Expense	\$0.00
	Memorial Field Grant	\$0.00
	Eastside Park Grant	\$0.00
	Department Total	\$187,169.27

FY 2026

	Description	AMOUNT
Sanitation	Salaries-Regular	\$0.00
	Social Security Tax	\$0.00
	Medicare	\$0.00
	FRS Retirement Expense	\$0.00
	Health Insurance	\$0.00
	Workers Comp Ins	\$0.00
	Unemployment Compensation	\$0.00
	Audit Expense	\$9,125.00
	Garbage Services	\$775,849.56
	Contractual Svc-Computer	\$8,000.00
	Bank Charges	\$0.00
	Telephone Service	\$0.00
	Postage	\$0.00
	Insurance	\$0.00
	Repairs & Maintenance	\$0.00
	Depreciation Expense	\$0.00
	Miscellaneous Expense	\$0.00
	Provide For Doubtful Accts	\$0.00
	Cash Over/Short	\$0.00
	Supplies	\$0.00
	Uniform Rental	\$0.00
	Fuel/Oil	\$0.00
	Transfer to Sewer Fund	\$0.00
	Transfer to General Fund	\$0.00
	Transfer to Water Fund	\$0.00
	Equipment	\$0.00
	Capital Outlay Expense	\$0.00
	Department Total	\$792,974.56

FY 2026

Description	AMOUNT
Salaries-Regular	\$369,687.47
Social Security Tax	\$22,920.62
Medicare	\$5,360.47
FRS Retirement Expense	\$43,578.06
VALIC Retirement Expense	\$6,152.98
Health Insurance	\$115,857.39
Workers Comp Insurance	\$13,601.32
Professional Services	\$5,000.00
Audit Expense	\$13,375.00
R/R & Tank Contracts	\$25,000.00
Contractual SVC-Computer	\$11,000.00
Bank Charges	\$200.00
Travel Expense	\$0.00
Telephone Service	\$6,000.00
Postage	\$6,000.00
Utilities	\$61,000.00
Rentals & Leases	\$0.00
Bonds & Insurance	\$0.00
Insurance	\$28,238.46
Repairs & Maintenance	\$60,000.00
Misc. Expense	\$500.00
Credit Card Fees	\$35,000.00
Supplies	\$22,000.00
Uniforms	\$4,000.00
Fuel/Oil	\$15,500.00
Water Tap Supplies	\$15,000.00
Water Meters & Supplies	\$30,000.00
Chemicals	\$27,500.00
Laboratory Expense	\$15,000.00
Engineer Services	\$0.00
Engineer-NWFWMD Reclaimed Water	\$0.00
Dues/License/Membership	\$1,000.00
Permits	\$500.00
Education/Recertification	\$800.00
Transfer to General Fund	\$0.00
Equipment	\$52,300.00
Capital Outlay Expense	\$0.00
Interest-2005A 91-12	\$0.00
Interest-2005B 91-13	\$0.00
Interest-Loan 300110	\$570.88
Interest-Loan 300111	\$638.66
Interest-Loan 300140	\$2,336.96
Interest-Loan 300141	\$0.00
Interest-Loan 300160	\$0.00
Department Total	\$1,015,618.28

Water

FY 2026

Sewer

Description	AMOUNT
Salaries Regular	\$275,032.30
Social Security Tax	\$17,052.00
Medicare	\$3,987.97
FRS Retirement Expense	\$33,072.26
VALIC Retirement Expense	\$3,798.08
Health Insurance	\$77,379.06
Workers Comp Ins	\$9,203.92
Professional Services	\$0.00
Audit Expense	\$13,375.00
Contractual Svc-Reg	\$1,500.00
Contractual Svc-Computer	\$15,000.00
Telephone Service	\$7,000.00
Postage	\$9,000.00
Utilities	\$185,000.00
Rentals And Lease Expense	\$0.00
Insurance	\$84,086.92
Repairs & Maintenance	\$85,000.00
Lift Station Pumps	\$145,415.00
Notices & Legal	\$0.00
Miscellaneous Expense	\$300.00
Depreciation Expense	\$0.00
Provide For Doubtful Accts	\$0.00
Special Waste	\$26,000.00
Supplies	\$40,000.00
Uniforms	\$2,500.00
Fuel/Oil	\$8,000.00
Sewer Tap Supplies	\$30,000.00
Chemicals	\$27,500.00
Laboratory Expense	\$30,000.00
Engineering & Inspections	\$0.00
Certification/Permits	\$11,500.00
Dues/License/Membership	\$1,000.00
Education/Recertification	\$3,000.00
Fines	\$0.00
Transfer To General Fund	
Equipment	\$0.00
Interest-B	\$0.00
Interest-A	\$0.00
Interest-1	\$0.00
Interest-427	\$0.00
Interest-2	\$0.00
Interest-145	\$0.00
Interest-Loan 300132	\$3,300.00
Interest-Loan 300100	\$0.00
Interest-Loan 300120	\$0.00
Department Total	\$1,148,002.50

FY 2026	Description	AMOUNT
	General Fund	\$1,477,383.17
	Transfer In/Out	\$1,449,779.00
	Other Revenue	\$85,000.00
	Reserves	\$0.00
	Ad Valorem	\$484,709.16
	Total Revenue	\$3,496,871.33
	Sanitation	\$1,034,461.42
	Water	\$1,629,454.86
	Sewer	\$1,742,458.06
	Total Enterprise	\$4,406,374.35
	Total Revenue	\$7,903,245.67
	Total Expense	\$7,903,245.68
		\$0.00

TOTAL 2026 INCLUDING GRANT FUNDING

	Grant Funding	\$8,971,454.07
	General Fund	\$1,477,383.17
	Transfer In/Out	\$1,449,779.00
	Other Revenue	\$85,000.00
	Reserves	\$0.00
	Ad Valorem	\$484,709.16
	Total Revenue	\$12,468,325.40
	Sanitation	\$1,034,461.42
	Water	\$1,629,454.86
	Sewer	\$1,742,458.06
	Total Enterprise	\$4,406,374.35
	Total Revenue	\$16,874,699.74
	Total Expense	\$16,874,699.75
		\$0.00

BUDGET SUMMARY City of Bonifay - FY 2026 *THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF BONIFAY ARE 7.47% MORE THAN LAST YEARS TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
General fund	3.5000						
ESTIMATED REVENUES	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	PERMANENT FUND	ENTERPRISE FUND	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
Taxes: Millage per \$1000							
Ad Valorem Taxes 3.5000	\$ 484,709.16						\$ 484,709.16
Sales & Use Taxes	\$ 1,252,082.79	\$ 85,000.00					\$ 1,337,082.79
Charges for Service	\$ 4,914.00		\$ 442,380.89			\$ 3,963,993.46	\$ 4,411,288.35
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$ 98,694.03						\$ 98,694.03
Fines & Forfeitures	\$ 9,551.68						\$ 9,551.68
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 86,204.76						\$ 86,204.76
License & Permits	\$ 6,328.50						\$ 6,328.50
Internal Service Charges	\$ 19,607.40						\$ 19,607.40
Grants				\$ 8,971,454.07			\$ 8,971,454.07
TOTAL SOURCES	\$ 1,962,092.33	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 442,380.89	\$ 8,971,454.07	\$ -	\$ 3,963,993.46	\$ 15,424,920.74
Transfers In	\$ 1,449,779.00						\$ 1,449,779.00
Fund Balance/Reserves/Net Assets	\$ -						\$ -
TOTAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS & BALANCES	\$ 3,411,871.33	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 442,380.89	\$ 8,971,454.07	\$ -	\$ 3,963,993.46	\$ 16,874,699.74
EXPENDITURES							
General Government	\$ 572,287.60						\$ 572,287.60
Public Safety	\$ 1,777,130.28						\$ 1,777,130.28
Physical Environment							\$ -
Transportation		\$ 85,000.00					\$ 85,000.00
Debt Services							\$ -
Human Services	\$ 236,188.56		\$ 442,380.89			\$ 2,514,214.46	\$ 3,192,783.91
Administration & Finance	\$ 826,264.89						\$ 826,264.89
Grants				\$ 8,971,454.07			\$ 8,971,454.07
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 3,411,871.33	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 442,380.89	\$ 8,971,454.07	\$ -	\$ 2,514,214.46	\$ 15,424,920.75
Transfers Out						\$ 1,449,779.00	\$ 1,449,779.00
Fund Balances/Reserves/Net Assets							
TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES							
TRANSFERS, RESERVES & BALANCES	\$ 3,411,871.33	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 442,380.89	\$ 8,971,454.07	\$ -	\$ 3,963,993.46	\$ 16,874,699.75
The tentative, adopted, and/or final budgets are on file in the office of the above referenced taxing authority as a public record.							\$ (0.00)