Indian River County Inter-Office Memorandum Office of Management and Budget

TO: Members of the Board

of County Commissioners

FROM: Kristin Daniels

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DATE: January 9, 2023

SUBJECT: Interest Rate Change on All County Financing

(Petition Paving, Utility Assessment Projects,

Utility Impact Fees, etc.)

DESCRIPTIONS AND CONDITIONS

Each year the Board of County Commissioners adjusts the fixed interest rates charged by the County for financing utility assessments, utility impact fees, petition paving assessments and any other financing. County policy has been to set this rate equivalent to the prime interest rate.

The prime interest rate listed on Bloomberg on January 9, 2023 is 7.5%. Staff recommends increasing the current interest rate being charged of 3.25%, to 7.5% to reflect the interest rate that will be charged by the County during the 2023 calendar year. The only exception to this interest rate would be for projects directly affiliated with a bond issue for which the bond covenants dictate a different interest rate.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve the fixed interest rate of 7.5%. Staff further recommends that this rate remain in effect for calendar year 2023 for all County financing with the exception of projects directly affiliated with a bond issue for which the bond covenants dictate a different interest rate.

ATTACHMENT

County Financing Interest Rate History