

**Indian River County, Florida  
Department of Utility Services  
Board Memorandum**

**Date:** December 29, 2020

**To:** Jason E. Brown, County Administrator

**From:** Vincent Burke, PE, Director of Utility Services

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**Subject:** 51<sup>st</sup> Avenue Water Assessment Project Resolution I and II

**Background/Analysis:**

On October 20, 2020, under Consent Agenda Item 8-K, the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) unanimously authorized staff to proceed with the petition, surveying, engineering design, and permitting for the 51<sup>st</sup> Avenue water assessment project. See Attachment 1 for a map of the area. The BCC also directed staff to proceed with the resolution process of the proposed assessment project.

The 51<sup>st</sup> Avenue water assessment project has 31 benefitting parcels. According to current tax records, one (1) parcel is Vacant Residential Land and (30) parcels are Single Family Improved. Five (5) parcels will not benefit from the proposed water assessment project because of an existing water main on 67<sup>th</sup> Street heading east and then turning south on 51<sup>st</sup> Avenue for approximately 233 linear feet – See Attachment 1.

The proposed 6-inch water main along 51<sup>st</sup> Avenue will connect to the existing County water system at 65<sup>th</sup> Street, 67<sup>th</sup> Street, and 69<sup>th</sup> Street. The total project cost is estimated at \$291,400.00, which includes construction, surveying, engineering, administration, and inspection. Therefore, an equal per parcel cost of \$9,400.00 will be levied on all 31 benefitting parcels. This does not include other connection fees such as impact fees and deposits.

A Providing Resolution (Resolution I) is shown in Attachment 2 and presented for adoption by the BCC.

A Setting Resolution (Resolution II) is shown in Attachment 3 and is presented for adoption by the BCC to hold a public hearing about the project, overall costs, and the amount of the assessment for each property owner in the benefitting area. Pending BCC approval, a public hearing will be scheduled for Tuesday, March 9, 2021, at 9:05 am, in the Indian River County Commission Chambers. A preliminary assessment roll – Attachment 4 – and proposed water main location map – Attachment 1 – have been prepared and are on file with the Clerk to the BCC and the Indian River County Department of Utility Services (IRCDUS). If the BCC adopts Resolutions I and II, staff will follow procedures for newspaper publications and will notify residents by mail to inform them of the preliminary assessment roll and the public hearing.

## Departmental Item

### Funding:

Funds for this project are derived from the Assessment Fund. Assessment fund revenues are generated from connection fees paid by the benefitting property owners.

ACCOUNT NAME	ACCOUNT NUMBER	AMOUNT
51 <sup>st</sup> Ave Water Assessment	473-169000-21501	\$291,400.00

### Recommendation:

The staff of the Indian River County Department of Utility Services recommends the following:

- 1) Adopt Resolution I providing for the installation of the water main within the 51<sup>st</sup> Avenue water assessment project, subject to the terms outlined in the resolution. The Board of County Commissioners shall establish the applicable interest rate at the time the final assessment roll is approved.
- 2) Adopt Resolution II setting the time and place of the Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 9, 2021, at 9:05 am, in the Indian River County Commission Chambers.

### Attachments:

1. Assessment Area Map
2. Providing Resolution (Resolution No. I)
3. Setting Resolution for Public Hearing (Resolution No. II)
4. Assessment Roll