



## MEMORANDUM TO VENICE CITY COUNCIL

**THROUGH CHARTER OFFICER:** Kelly Michaels, City Clerk

**FROM:** Kelly Michaels, MMC

**DEPARTMENT:** City Clerk

**DATE:** June 26, 2025

**COUNCIL MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, July 8, 2025

**SUBJECT / TOPIC:** Public Hearing Dates and Setting Millage Rate for FY2025-26

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Council is required to submit, prior to July 30, 2025, a preliminary millage figure and the actual date, time and place for required public hearings on the budget. The hearings must be held after 5:00 pm, and state law prohibits the city from holding its public hearings on the same dates as the county (*September 10th and 24th*) or the school board (*July 29th and September 16th*). It is recommended the city budget public hearings be set for **Tuesday, September 9th and Tuesday, September 23rd, 2025, each beginning at 5:01 pm.**

The preliminary millage and date of the first public hearing will become part of the TRIM (Truth in Millage) bill notice mailed from the County Property Appraiser at or near August 24, 2025. The preliminary millage may be lowered (but not increased) at either or both public hearings. The City Manager has recommended the ad valorem millage rate of **3.9041** and the voted debt service millage rate of **0.3405** for a total millage of **4.2446**.

*Note: The maximum ad valorem rate allowed by majority vote is 4.1224 and the maximum allowed by 2/3 Vote is 4.5346*

***For your information the prior rates adopted September 24, 2024, for FY2024-25 are:***

*Ad Valorem Millage Rate = 3.9041*

*Voted Debt Service Millage Rate = .3632*

*Total Millage Rate = 4.2673*

**SUPPORTS STRATEGIC PLAN:** Goal Three: Ensure a Fiscally Sound City

**COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:** For Council Adoption by Consent Motion

Yes N/A

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Document(s) Reviewed for ADA compliance (required if for agenda posting)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	City Attorney Reviewed/Approval
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Risk Management Review
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Finance Department Review/Approval

Funds Availability: N/A


Attachment: *Maximum Millage Levy Calculation Preliminary Disclosure DR-420MM-P*




# MAXIMUM MILLAGE LEVY CALCULATION PRELIMINARY DISCLOSURE

For municipal governments, counties, and special districts

DR-420MM-P  
R. 5/12  
Rule 12D-16.002  
Florida Administrative Code  
Effective 11/12

Year : 2025		County : Sarasota	
Principal Authority : City of Venice		Taxing Authority : City of Venice - Operating	
1.	Is your taxing authority a municipality or independent special district that has levied ad valorem taxes for less than 5 years?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (1)
<b>IF YES,  STOP HERE. SIGN AND SUBMIT. You are not subject to a millage limitation.</b>			
2.	Current year rolled-back rate from Current Year Form DR-420, Line 16	3.8450 per \$1,000	(2)
3.	Prior year maximum millage rate with a majority vote from 2023 Form DR-420MM, Line 13	4.0052 per \$1,000	(3)
4.	Prior year operating millage rate from Current Year Form DR-420, Line 10	3.9041 per \$1,000	(4)
<b>If Line 4 is equal to or greater than Line 3, skip to Line 11. If less, continue to Line 5.</b>			
<b>Adjust rolled-back rate based on prior year majority-vote maximum millage rate</b>			
5.	Prior year final gross taxable value from Current Year Form DR-420, Line 7	\$ 7,348,653,626	(5)
6.	Prior year maximum ad valorem proceeds with majority vote (Line 3 multiplied by Line 5 divided by 1,000)	\$ 29,432,828	(6)
7.	Amount, if any, paid or applied in prior year as a consequence of an obligation measured by a dedicated increment value from Current Year Form DR-420 Line 12	\$ 0	(7)
8.	Adjusted prior year ad valorem proceeds with majority vote (Line 6 minus Line 7)	\$ 29,432,828	(8)
9.	Adjusted current year taxable value from Current Year form DR-420 Line 15	\$ 7,461,694,751	(9)
10.	Adjusted current year rolled-back rate (Line 8 divided by Line 9, multiplied by 1,000)	3.9445 per \$1,000	(10)
<b>Calculate maximum millage levy</b>			
11.	Rolled-back rate to be used for maximum millage levy calculation (Enter Line 10 if adjusted or else enter Line 2)	3.9445 per \$1,000	(11)
12.	Adjustment for change in per capita Florida personal income (See Line 12 Instructions)	1.0451	(12)
13.	Majority vote maximum millage rate allowed (Line 11 multiplied by Line 12)	4.1224 per \$1,000	(13)
14.	Two-thirds vote maximum millage rate allowed (Multiply Line 13 by 1.10)	4.5346 per \$1,000	(14)
15.	Current year adopted millage rate	3.9041 per \$1,000	(15)
16.	<b>Minimum vote required to levy adopted millage:</b> (Check one)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	a. Majority vote of the governing body: Check here if Line 15 is less than or equal to Line 13. The maximum millage rate is equal to the majority vote maximum rate. Enter Line 13 on Line 17.		
<input type="checkbox"/>	b. Two-thirds vote of governing body: Check here if Line 15 is less than or equal to Line 14, but greater than Line 13. The maximum millage rate is equal to adopted rate. Enter Line 15 on Line 17.		
<input type="checkbox"/>	c. Unanimous vote of the governing body, or 3/4 vote if nine members or more: Check here if Line 15 is greater than Line 14. The maximum millage rate is equal to the adopted rate. Enter Line 15 on Line 17.		
<input type="checkbox"/>	d. Referendum: The maximum millage rate is equal to the adopted rate. Enter Line 15 on Line 17.		
17.	The selection on Line 16 allows a maximum millage rate of (Enter rate indicated by choice on Line 16).	4.1224 per \$1,000	(17)
18.	Current year gross taxable value from Current Year Form DR-420, Line 4	\$ 7,696,521,110	(18)

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19.	Current year adopted taxes <i>(Line 15 multiplied by Line 18, divided by 1,000).</i>	\$ 30,047,988	(19)
20.	Total taxes levied at the maximum millage rate <i>(Line 17 multiplied by Line 18, divided by 1,000).</i>	\$ 31,728,139	(20)
<b>DEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICTS AND MSTUs</b>			<b>STOP HERE. SIGN AND SUBMIT.</b>
21.	Enter the current year adopted taxes of all dependent special districts & MSTUs levying a millage. <i>(The sum of all Lines 19 from each district's Form DR-420MM-P)</i>	\$ 0	(21)
22.	Total current year adopted taxes <i>(Line 19 plus Line 21).</i>	\$ 30,047,988	(22)
<b>Total Maximum Taxes</b>			
23.	Enter the taxes at the maximum millage of all dependent special districts & MSTUs levying a millage <i>(The sum of all Lines 20 from each district's Form DR-420MM-P).</i>	\$ 0	(23)
24.	Total taxes at maximum millage rate <i>(Line 20 plus Line 23).</i>	\$ 31,728,139	(24)
<b>Total Maximum Versus Total Taxes Levied</b>			
25.	Are total current year adopted taxes on Line 22 equal to or less than total taxes at the maximum millage rate on Line 24? (Check one)	<input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	(25)
SIGN HERE	<b>Taxing Authority Certification</b>		I certify the millages and rates are correct to the best of my knowledge. The millages comply with the provisions of s. 200.065 and the provisions of either s. 200.071 or s. 200.081, F.S.
	Signature of Chief Administrative Officer :		Date :
	Electronically Certified by Principal Taxing Authority		6/26/2025 4:38:10 PM
	Title :	Contact Name and Contact Title :	
	Edward Lavallee - City Manager	Kelly Michaels - City Clerk	
	Mailing Address :	Physical Address :	
401 West Venice Avenue,	401 West Venice Avenue, Venice Florida 34285		
City, State, Zip :	Phone Number :	Fax Number :	
Venice Florida 34285	(941) 882-7390		

***Complete and submit this form to the Department of Revenue with the completed DR-487, Certification of Compliance, within 30 days of the final hearing.***

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PRELIMINARY DISCLOSURE  
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**General Instructions**

Each of the following taxing authorities must complete a DR-420MM-P.

- County
- Municipality
- Special district dependent to a county or municipality
- County MSTU
- Independent special district, including water management districts
- Water management district basin

Voting requirements for millages adopted by a two-thirds or a unanimous vote are based on the full membership of the governing body, not on the number of members present at the time of the vote.

This form calculates the maximum tax levy for 2024 allowed under s. 200.065(5), F.S. Counties and municipalities, including dependent special districts and MSTUs, which adopt a tax levy at the final hearing higher than allowed under s. 200.065, F.S., may be subject to the loss of their half-cent sales tax distribution.

DR-420MM-P shows the preliminary maximum millages and taxes levied based on your proposed adoption vote. Each taxing authority must complete, sign, and submit this form to their property appraiser with their completed DR-420, Certification of Taxable Value.

The vote at the final hearing and the resulting maximum may change. After the final hearing, each taxing authority will file a final Form DR-420MM, Maximum Millage Levy Calculation Final Disclosure, with Form DR-487, Certification of Compliance, with the Department of Revenue.

Specific tax year references in this form are updated each year by the Department.

**Line Instructions**

**Lines 5-10**

Only taxing authorities that levied a 2023 millage rate less than their maximum majority vote rate must complete these lines. The adjusted rolled-back rate on Line 10 is the rate that would have been levied if the maximum vote rate for 2022 had been adopted. If these lines are completed, enter the adjusted rate on Line 11.

**Line 12**

This line is entered by the Department of Revenue. The same adjustment factor is used statewide by all taxing authorities. It is based on the change in per capita Florida personal income (s. 200.001(8)(i), F.S.), which Florida Law requires the Office of Economic and Demographic Research to report each year.

**Lines 13 and 14**

Millage rates are the maximum that could be levied with a majority or two-thirds vote of the full membership of the governing body. With a unanimous vote of the full membership (three-fourths vote of the full membership if the governing body has nine or more members) or a referendum, the maximum millage rate that can be levied is the taxing authority's statutory or constitutional cap.

**Line 16**

Check the box for the minimum vote necessary at the final hearing to levy your adopted millage rate.

**Line 17**

Enter the millage rate indicated by the box checked in Line 16. If the proposed millage rate is equal to or less than the majority vote maximum millage rate, enter the majority vote maximum. If a two-thirds vote, a unanimous vote, or a referendum is required, enter the proposed millage rate. For a millage requiring more than a majority vote, the proposed millage rate must be entered on Line 17, rather than the maximum rate, so that the comparisons on Lines 21 through 25 are accurate.