



**Fred Spencer Deno IV**  
Mayor

**Jorge Arce**  
Council President

Council Members  
**Richard Block**  
**Debra Conover**  
**Gabriel Fernandez**  
**Elizabeth Taylor-Martinez**

Final Budget Hearing  
Minutes  
**September 26, 2022**  
5:01 p.m.

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**1. Call to Order**

Council President Arce called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

**2. Invocation**

Council Member Taylor-Martinez led the invocation.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Council Member Taylor-Martinez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. Roll Call**

Mayor Deno, Council President Arce, Council Member Block, Council Member Conover, Council Member Fernandez, and Council Member Taylor-Martinez were in attendance.

**5. Meeting Notices**

- Any person who decides to appeal any decision of the Village Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Pursuant to the provisions of the **Americans with Disabilities Act**, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this proceeding is asked to advise the Village at least 2 days before the proceeding by contacting the Village Clerk's office at **305-871-6104**.

**6. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

**7. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**A) Resolution** - A Resolution of the Mayor and Village Council of the Village of Virginia Gardens, Miami-Dade County, Florida, adopting the final millage rate for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023 in the amount of 4.6000 mills which is 0.65% higher than the roll-back rate of 4.5704 mills; announcing the percentage increase in the property taxes; and providing for an effective date.

A motion to approve Resolution 7(A) made by Council Member Block was seconded by Council Member Fernandez. The motion was opened to the public at 5:13 p.m. and closed at 5:13 p.m. The motion passed 5-0.

**B) Resolution** - A Resolution of the Village of Virginia Gardens, Miami-Dade County, Florida, approving fiscal year 2022/2023 budget for the General Fund beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023; providing for effective date.

A motion to approve Resolution 7(B) made by Council Member Taylor-Martinez was seconded by Council Member Conover. The motion was opened to the public at 5:16 p.m. and closed at 5:16 p.m. The motion passed 5-0.

**C) Resolution** - A Resolution of the Village of Virginia Gardens, Miami-Dade County, Florida, approving fiscal year 2022/2023 budget for the Public Works fund beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023; providing for effective date.

A motion to approve Resolution 7(C) made by Council Member Fernandez was seconded by Council Member Block. The motion was opened to the public at 5:17 p.m. and closed at 5:17 p.m. The motion passed 5-0.

**D) Resolution** - A Resolution of the Village of Virginia Gardens, Miami-Dade County, Florida, approving fiscal year 2022/2023 budget for the Water Department beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023; providing for effective date.

A motion to approve Resolution 7(D) made by Council Member Conover was seconded by Council Member Block. The motion was opened to the public at 5:18 p.m. and closed at 5:18 p.m. The motion passed 5-0.

## **8. GOOD & WELFARE**

Council Member Taylor-Martinez asks for prayers for Melanie Martinez. Council President Arce asked for well wishes and prayers for Council Member Block and his wife Esther.

## **9. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Council Member Taylor-Martinez was seconded by Council Member Conover. The motion passed 5-0. Council President Arce adjourned the meeting at 5:23 p.m.