PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: June	11, 2024	(X) Consent () Ordinance		earing						
Department Submit	ted By: <u>Clerk o</u>	of the Circuit Court	& Comptroller							
ubmitted For: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS										
	l.	EXECUTIVE BRIE	F							
Motion and Title: S County Officials Bor Officials Bonds dated	nds dated June 2									
Summary: Ordinance No. 98-51 sets the various bond amounts for specified County officers and provides for examination of the sufficiency of all the bonds at the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners in January and June of each year. (DB) Countywide.										
Background and Justification: Each County officer of whom bond is, or shall be, required by law shall give bond to the governor of the State, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of his/her office.										
Palm Beach County Ordinance 98-51 outlines the various bond amounts of each elected official. These are referenced on attached report for examination. All bonds are listed in compliance with Chapter 98-34, Laws of Florida, Section 137.05, Florida Statutes, and Ordinance 98-51.										
Attachments:										
 Report of Palm Beach County Officials' Bonds Ordinance 98-51 List of Florida Statutes 										
Recommended By:	Manu Ty Liana F	WIFA igueroa, Manager -	5/I Finance	13 24 Date						
Approved by:	Cou	nty Administrator		Date						

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five-Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:										
<u>Fiscal</u>	l Years	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028				
Capit	al Expenditures									
Opera	ating Costs									
Exter	nal Revenues									
Progr	am Income (County)									
In-Kin	nd Match (County)									
NET F	FISCAL IMPACT									
Number of additional FTE positions (Cumulative)										
Is Itei	Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes No									
Does	this item include the	e use of Fed	eral Funds?	Y	'es	No				
Budge	et Account No.: F	und	Dept	Unit	OI	bject				
В.	B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact: No Fiscal Impact									
C. Departmental Fiscal Review:										
		III. REV	IEW COMMEN	NTS						
A.										
	OFMB			Contr	act Dev. an	d Control				
В.	Legal Sufficiency:									
	Assistant County A	ttorney								
C.	Other Department	Review:								
	Department Dire	ctor								

Report of County Official's Bonds Sureties Sufficiency Examination (Required by F.S. 137.05)

Dated: JANUARY 2024

Office Bonded		Surety Co Name	Expiration Date	ation Date Premium Term		Required \$ By ORD 98-51	Premium Cost	
Clerk & Comptroller	JOSEPH ABRUZZO	Travelers Casualty	January 5, 2025	1 year	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$175	
Property Appraiser	DOROTHY JACKS	Ohio Casualty	January 7, 2025	4 years	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$400	
Tax Collector	ANNE M. GANNON	Liberty Mutual	January 5, 2025	4 years	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$2,438	
Supervisor of Elections	WENDY SARTORY LINK	Old Republic	May 1, 2025	3 years	\$25,000	\$5,000	\$270	
Sheriff	RIC L. BRADSHAW	Western Surety	January 4, 2025	4 years	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$425	
Sheriff	Deputy Sheriffs (blanket bond)	Travelers Casualty	August 8, 2024	1 year	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$100	
Commissioner Dist. #1	MARIA G. MARINO	Hartford Fire	November 17, 2024	4 years	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$340	
Commissioner Dist. #2	GREGG K. WEISS	Hartford Fire	November 20, 2026	4 years	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$238	
Commissioner Dist. #3	MICHAEL BARNETT	Hartford Fire	January 10, 2027	4 years	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$238	
Commissioner Dist. #4	MARCI WOODWARD	Hartford Fire	November 22, 2026	4 years	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$238	
Commissioner Dist. #5	MARIA SACHS	Hartford Fire	November 17, 2024	4 years	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$340	
Commissioner Dist. #6 SARA BAXTER		Hartford Fire	November 22, 2026	4 years	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$238	
Commissioner Dist. #7 MACK BERNARD		Hartford Fire	November 30, 2024	4 years	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$340	

Note: Elected officials are responsible for obtaining their bond and may choose a bonding agency. Bond premiums shall be paid out of General Revenue Fund.

ALL BONDS LISTED ABOVE COMPLY WITH FLORIDA STATUTES AND PALM BEACH COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 98-51.

SURETIES UPON OFFICIAL BONDS: F.S. 113.071

Sureties upon officials shall be in an amount sufficient as prescribed by law and approved by County Commissioners:

CLERK & COMPTROLLER -	F.S. 28.02
SHERIFF & DEPUTY SHERIFF(S) -	F.S. 30.02
SUPERVISOR OF ELECTION -	F.S. 98.015
TAX COLLECTOR -	F.S. 137.02
PROPERTY APPRAISER -	F.S. 137.03
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS -	F.S. 137.04

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WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature enacted Chapter 98-34,
Laws of Florida, eliminating or revising bond requirements for
certain public officials, including specified County officers; and
WHEREAS, Chapter 98-34 eliminated the statutory bond
requirements for specified County officers and provided that the
Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") may establish bond
requirements for specified County officers and must require bonds
from County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 98-34 provides that any bond required of specified County officers be established by ordinance of the Board; and

WHEREAS, in establishing the amount of any required bond, the amount of money or property likely to be in custody of the specified County officer at one time may be considered by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. Title.

This Ordinance shall be known as the "County Officer Bond Ordinance".

Section 2. Bond of Clerk of the Circuit Court.

The Palm Beach County Clerk of the Circuit Court shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$50,0000 conditioned upon the faithful discharge of the duties of office.

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Section 3. Bond of Sheriff and Deputy Sheriff.

The Palm Beach County Sheriff shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$25,000 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office.

Each appointed Deputy Sheriff shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$1,000 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office. In the alternative, a blanket bond in the sum of \$1,000 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office of all appointed Deputy Sheriffs is acceptable.

Section 4. Bond of Supervisor of Elections.

The Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$5,000 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office.

Section 5. Bond of Tax Collector.

The Palm Beach County Tax Collector shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$100,000 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office, and specifically conditioned for the Tax Collector's accounting duly and faithfully for all taxes collected.

Section 6. Bond of Property Appraiser.

The Palm Beach County Property Appraiser shall be required to give a bond in the sum of \$5,000 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office.

Section 7. Bond of County Commissioners.

Each Palm Beach County Commissioner, whether elected or appointed, must give a bond in the sum of \$2,000 conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties of office.

Section 8. Approval of Form and Surety of Bonds of County Officers; Delegation of Authority.

All bonds of County officers required by this Ordinance must be approved by the Board. Approval of the form and surety of any such bonds is hereby delegated by the Board to the County Administrator or designee, with the concurrence of the County Attorney in such approval.

Section 9. Filing of Bonds of County Officers.

All bonds of County officers required by this Ordinance must be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court promptly upon execution.

Section 10. Examination of Sufficiency of Bonds of County Officers.

At its regular meetings in January and June of each year beginning January, 1999, the Board shall examine carefully the sufficiently of all bonds required of County officers. If the Board has reason to believe that the sufficiency of any such bond has become impaired, the Board must at once require that the County officer to execute and file with the Clerk of the Circuit Court a new bond for the same amount and under the same conditions as the former bond.

Section 11. Applicability.

This Ordinance is applicable countywide. This Ordinance shall not affect any currently existing bonds of County officers.

Section 12. Repeal of Laws in Conflict.

All local laws and ordinances in conflict with any provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

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1 Section 13. Severability. 2 If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Ordinance is for any reason held by the Court to be 3 unconstitutional, inoperative, or void, such holding shall not 4 affect the remainder of this Ordinance. 5 Section 14. Inclusion in The Code of Laws And Ordinances. 6 The provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Laws and Ordinances of Palm Beach County, 8 The sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or 9 Florida. relettered to accomplish such, and the word "ordinance" may be 10 changed to "section", "article", or other appropriate word. SECTION 15. Effective Date. 12 The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective 13 upon filing with the Department of State. 14 APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners 15 of Palm Beach County, Florida, on this the 20th 16 October _, 1998. 17 PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, BY ITS 18 Board of County Commission St. BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 19 LIN BEACH DEPUTY CLERK COUNTY APPROVED AS TO FORM AND 20 By: Chairman 21 22 23 and F. 24 County Attorney 25 EFFECTIVE DATE: Filed with the Department of State on the 28th 26 day of OCTORER , 1998 , at N/A 27

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