



# **HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

## **PALM BEACH COUNTY REGULAR BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING MAY 14, 2024 8:00 A.M.**

Special District Services, Inc.  
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**AGENDA**  
**HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM**  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
Special District Services Conference Room  
2501A Burns Road,  
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING**  
May 14, 2024  
8:00 a.m.

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HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
DISTRICT  
FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024  
REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors of the High Ridge Quantum Community Development District will hold Regular Meetings in the Conference Room of Special District Services, Inc. located at 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410 at 8:00 a.m. on the following dates:

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HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
DISTRICT  
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September 29, 2023 9318327

HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 12, 2024

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

District Manager Michael McElligott called the March 12, 2024, Regular Board Meeting of the High Ridge Quantum Community Development District to order at 8:02 a.m. at the Conference Room at Special District Services, Inc, located at 2501 A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, 33410

**B. PROOF OF PUBLICATION**

Mr. McElligott presented proof of publication that notice of the Regular Board Meeting had been published in *The Palm Beach Post* on September 29, 2023, as legally required.

**C. ESTABLISH A QUORUM**

Mr. McElligott determined that the attendance of the following Supervisors constituted a quorum, and it was in order to proceed with the meeting: Frando Patterson, Bernard Gatlin, Greg Miller, and Kelli Martin.

Staff in attendance were District Manager Michael McElligott of Special District Services, Inc.; and District Counsel Scott Cochran of Billing, Cochran, Lyles, Mauro & Ramsey, P.A.

**D. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

**E. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

There were no comments from the public for items not on the agenda.

**F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. October 10, 2023, Regular Board Meeting**

Mr. McElligott presented the minutes of the October 10, 2023, Regular Board Meeting and asked if there were any changes and/or corrections. There being no changes or corrections, a **motion** was made by Mrs. Martin, seconded by Mr. Gatlin, and **unanimously passed** to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2023, Regular Board Meeting, as presented.

**G. OLD BUSINESS**

There were no Old Business items to come before the Board.

**H. NEW BUSINESS**

HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 12, 2024

**1. Consider Resolution No. 2024-01 – Adopting a Fiscal Year 2024/2025  
Proposed Budget**

Mr. McElligott presented Resolution No. 2024-01, entitled:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-01**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
THE HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING A PROPOSED  
BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025; AND PROVIDING  
AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

The Board reviewed the budget and there were a few questions answered by McElligott. After a brief discussion, a **motion** was made by Mr. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. Martin, and **passed unanimously** to adopt Resolution No. 2024-01, as presented, and set the Public Hearing for the Final Budget for May 14, 2024.

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

Mr. McElligott stated that the next meeting would be the May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**J. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

There were no comments from Members of the Board.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:24 a.m. on a **motion** made by Mrs. Martin, seconded by Mr. Patterson, and the **motion** carried **4 to 0**.

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Secretary/Assistant Secretary

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Chair/Vice Chair

Notice of Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting of the  
High Ridge Quantum Community Development District

The Board of Supervisors of the High Ridge Quantum Community Development District (District) will hold a public hearing on May 14, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of The Oaks Center located at 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410 for the purpose of hearing comments and objections on the adoption of the budget of the District for Fiscal Year 2024/2025. A regular board meeting of the District will also be held at that time where the Board may consider agenda items and any other business that may properly come before it.

A copy of the agenda and budget may be obtained from the Districts website [www.highridgequantumcdd.org](http://www.highridgequantumcdd.org)) or at the offices of the District Manager, Special District Services, located at 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410 during normal business hours.

The public hearing and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law for community development districts. The public hearing and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when staff or Supervisors may participate by speaker telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (561) 630-4922 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770, for aid in contacting the District Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearings or meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Meetings may be cancelled from time to time without advertised notice.

District Manager

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-02**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADOPTING A FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 BUDGET.**

**WHEREAS**, the High Ridge Quantum Community Development District (“District”) has prepared a Proposed Budget and Final Special Assessment Roll for Fiscal Year 2024/2025 and has held a duly advertised Public Hearing to receive public comments on the Proposed Budget and Final Special Assessment Roll; and,

**WHEREAS**, following the Public Hearing and the adoption of the Proposed Budget and Final Assessment Roll, the District is now authorized to levy non ad-valorem assessments upon the properties within the District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT THAT:**

**Section 1.** The Final Budget and Final Special Assessment Roll for Fiscal Year 2024/2025 attached hereto as Exhibit “A” is approved and adopted, and the assessments set forth therein shall be levied.

**Section 2.** The Secretary of the District is authorized to execute any and all necessary transmittals, certifications or other acknowledgements or writings, as necessary, to comply with the intent of this Resolution.

**PASSED, ADOPTED and EFFECTIVE** this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024

**ATTEST:**

**HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson/Vice Chairperson

# High Ridge/Quantum Community Development District

**Final Budget For  
Fiscal Year 2024/2025  
October 1, 2024 - September 30, 2025**



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**FINAL BUDGET**  
**HIGH RIDGE/QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2024 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2025**

	<b>FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 BUDGET</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>	
O & M Assessments	51,923
Debt Assessments	128,719
Other Revenues	0
Interest Income	480
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 181,122</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	
Supervisor Fees	5,000
Payroll Taxes (Employer)	400
Engineering	1,500
Management	23,160
Secretarial	3,000
Legal	7,000
Assessment Roll	3,000
Audit Fees	3,500
Insurance	7,200
Legal Advertisements	1,400
Miscellaneous	575
Postage	150
Office Supplies	350
Dues & Subscriptions	175
Trustee Fee	3,200
Website Management	2,000
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 61,610</b>
<b>REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 119,512</b>
Bond Payments	(120,996)
<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ (1,484)</b>
County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee	(3,612)
Discounts For Early Payments	(7,226)
<b>EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)</b>	<b>\$ (12,322)</b>
Carryover From Prior Year	12,322
<b>NET EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**DETAILED FINAL BUDGET**  
**HIGH RIDGE/QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2024 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2025**

	FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 ACTUAL	FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET	FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 BUDGET	COMMENTS
<b>REVENUES</b>				
O & M Assessments	57,541	55,370	51,923	Expenditures Less Interest & Carryover/.94
Debt Assessments	128,789	128,719	128,719	Bond Payments/.94
Other Revenues	0	0	0	
Interest Income	2,476	240	480	Interest Projected At \$40 Per Month
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 188,806</b>	<b>\$ 184,329</b>	<b>\$ 181,122</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Supervisor Fees	3,200	5,000	5,000	Supervisor Fees
Payroll Taxes (Employer)	245	400	400	Projected At 8% Of Supervisor Fees
Engineering	0	1,500	1,500	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Management	21,840	22,488	23,160	CPI Adjustment (Capped At 3%)
Secretarial	3,000	3,000	3,000	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Legal	6,133	7,000	7,000	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Assessment Roll	3,000	3,000	3,000	As Per Contract
Audit Fees	3,300	3,400	3,500	\$100 Increase From 2023/2024 Budget
Insurance	6,134	6,600	7,200	Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Expenditure Was \$6,594
Legal Advertisements	1,214	1,400	1,400	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Miscellaneous	210	625	575	\$50 Decrease From 2023/2024 Budget
Postage	83	150	150	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Office Supplies	261	350	350	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Dues & Subscriptions	175	175	175	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Trustee Fee	3,180	3,200	3,200	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
Website Management	2,000	2,000	2,000	No Change From 2023/2024 Budget
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 53,975</b>	<b>\$ 60,288</b>	<b>\$ 61,610</b>	
<b>REVENUES LESS EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 134,831</b>	<b>\$ 124,041</b>	<b>\$ 119,512</b>	
Bond Payments	(122,776)	(120,996)	(120,996)	2025 Principal & Interest Payments
<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 12,055</b>	<b>\$ 3,045</b>	<b>\$ (1,484)</b>	
County Appraiser & Tax Collector Fee	(2,325)	(3,682)	(3,612)	Two Percent Of Total Tax Roll
Discounts For Early Payments	(6,935)	(7,363)	(7,226)	Four Percent Of Total Tax Roll
<b>EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)</b>	<b>\$ 2,795</b>	<b>\$ (8,000)</b>	<b>\$ (12,322)</b>	
Carryover From Prior Year	0	8,000	12,322	Carryover Balance From Prior Years
<b>NET EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)</b>	<b>\$ 2,795</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	

# DETAILED FINAL DEBT SERVICE FUND BUDGET

HIGH RIDGE/QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025

OCTOBER 1, 2024 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

	FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 ACTUAL	FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET	FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 BUDGET	COMMENTS
REVENUES				
Interest Income	2,690	100	400	Projected Interest For 2024/2025
NAV Tax Collection	122,776	120,996	120,996	Yearly Maximum Debt Assessment
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 125,466</b>	<b>\$ 121,096</b>	<b>\$ 121,396</b>	
EXPENDITURES				
Principal Payments	85,000	90,000	95,000	Principal Payment Due In 2025
Interest Payments	29,862	26,586	24,255	Interest Payments Due In 2025
Bond Redemption	0	4,510	2,141	Estimated Excess Debt Collections
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 114,862</b>	<b>\$ 121,096</b>	<b>\$ 121,396</b>	
<b>Excess/ (Shortfall)</b>	<b>\$ 10,604</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	

## Series 2017 Bond Refunding Information

Original Par Amount =	\$1,680,000	Annual Principal Payments Due =	May 1st
Interest Rate =	2.52% - 5.75%	Annual Interest Payments Due =	May 1st & November 1st
Issue Date =	January 2017		
Maturity Date =	May 2035		

Par Amount As Of 1/1/24 = \$1,100,000

# High Ridge/Quantum Community Development District Assessment Comparison

	Original Projected Assessment*	Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Assessment*	Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Assessment*	Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Assessment*	Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Projected Assessment*
O & M	\$ 377.48	\$ 389.23	\$ 369.57	\$ 357.23	\$ 335.00
<u>Debt</u>	<u>\$ 957.28</u>	<u>\$ 830.45</u>	<u>\$ 830.45</u>	<u>\$ 830.45</u>	<u>\$ 830.45</u>
Total	\$ 1,334.76	\$ 1,219.68	\$ 1,200.02	\$ 1,187.68	\$ 1,165.45

\* Assessments Include the Following :

4% Discount for Early Payments

1% County Tax Collector Fee

1% County Property Appraiser Fee

Community Information:

Total Units                      155

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-03**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, ESTABLISHING A REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 AND SETTING THE TIME AND LOCATION OF SAID DISTRICT MEETINGS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the High Ridge Quantum Community Development District ("District") to establish a regular meeting schedule for fiscal year 2024/2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of the District has set a regular meeting schedule, location and time for District meetings for fiscal year 2024/2025 which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "A".

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The above recitals are hereby adopted.

**Section 2.** The regular meeting schedule, time and location for meetings for fiscal year 2024/2025 which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is hereby adopted and authorized to be published.

**PASSED, ADOPTED and EFFECTIVE** this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

**HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson/Vice Chairperson

**HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE**

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**HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
AUDITOR SELECTION  
EVALUATION CRITERIA**

**1.     *Ability of Personnel (10 Points).***

(E.g., geographic locations of the firm's headquarters or permanent office in relation to the project; capabilities and experience of key personnel; evaluation of existing work load; proposed staffing levels, etc.)

**2.     *Proposer's Experience (10 Points).***

(E.g. past record and experience of the Proposer in similar projects; volume of work previously performed by the firm; past performance for other Community Development Districts in other contracts; character, integrity, reputation of Proposer, etc.)

**3.     *Understanding of Scope of Work (10 Points).***

Extent to which the proposal demonstrates an understanding of the District's needs for the services requested.

**4.     *Ability to Furnish the Required Services (10 Points).***

Present ability to manage this project and the extent to which the proposal demonstrates the adequacy of Proposer's financial resources and stability as a business entity necessary to complete the services required (E.g. the existence of any natural disaster plan for business operations).

**5.     *Price (10 Points).***

Points will be awarded based upon the price bid for the rendering of the services and reasonableness of the price to the services.



**HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

**District Auditing Services for Fiscal Years 2023/2024, 2024/2025 and 2025/2026  
With Two Year Option (2026/2027 and 2027/2028)  
Palm Beach County, Florida**

**HIGH RIDGE QUANTUM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
AUDITOR SELECTION INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS**

**SECTION 1. DUE DATE.** Sealed proposals must be received no later than August 20, 2024 at 4:00 p.m., at the offices of District Manager, located at 2501A Burns Road, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410.

**SECTION 2. FAMILIARITY WITH THE LAW.** By submitting a proposal, the Proposer is affirming its familiarity and understanding with all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that in any manner affect the work. Ignorance on the part of the Proposer will in no way relieve it from responsibility to perform the work covered by the proposal in compliance with all such laws, ordinances and regulations.

**SECTION 3. QUALIFICATIONS OF PROPOSER.** The contract, if awarded, will only be awarded to a responsible Proposer who is qualified by experience and licensing to do the work specified herein. The Proposer shall submit with its proposal satisfactory evidence of experience in similar work and show that it is fully prepared to complete the work to the satisfaction of the District.

**SECTION 4. REJECTION OF PROPOSAL.** Proposers shall be disqualified and their proposals rejected if the District has reason to believe that collusion may exist among the Proposers, the Proposer has defaulted on any previous contract or is in arrears on any previous or existing contract, or for failure to demonstrate proper licensure and business organization.

**SECTION 5. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL.** Submit one (1) copy of the Proposal Documents and one digital copy, and other requested attachments at the time and place indicated herein, which shall be enclosed in an opaque sealed envelope, marked with the title “Auditing Services – High Ridge Quantum Community Development District” on the face of it.

**SECTION 6. MODIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL.** Proposals may be modified or withdrawn by an appropriate document duly executed and delivered to the place where proposals are to be submitted at any time prior to the time and date the proposals are due. After proposals are opened by the District, no proposal may be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days.

**SECTION 7. PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS.** The proposal documents shall consist of the notice announcing the request for proposals, these instructions, the Evaluation Criteria Sheet and a proposal with all required documentation pursuant to Section 12 of these instructions (the “Proposal Documents”).

**SECTION 8. PROPOSAL.** In making its proposal, each Proposer represents that it has read and understands the Proposal Documents and that the proposal is made in accordance therewith.

**SECTION 9. BASIS OF AWARD/RIGHT TO REJECT.** The District reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, make modifications to the work, and waive any informalities or irregularities in proposals as it is deemed in the best interests of the District.

**SECTION 10. CONTRACT AWARD.** Within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the Notice of Award from the District, the Proposer shall enter into and execute a Contract (engagement letter) with the District.

**SECTION 11. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.** Nothing herein shall be construed as or constitute a waiver of District’s limited waiver of liability contained in section 768.28, Florida Statutes, or any other statute or law.

**SECTION 12. MISCELLANEOUS.** All proposals shall include the following information in addition to any other requirements of the proposal documents.

- A. List position or title of all personnel to perform work on the District audit. Include resumes or each person listed; list years of experience in present position for each party listed and years of related experience.
- B. Describe proposed staffing levels, including resumes with applicable certifications.
- C. Three references from projects of similar size and scope. The Proposer should include information relating to the work it conducted for each reference as well as a name, address and phone number of a contact person.

**SECTION 13. PROTESTS.** Any protest regarding the Proposal Documents, must be filed in writing, at the offices of the District Manager, within seventy-two (72) hours after receipt of the Request for Proposals and Evaluation Criteria or other contract documents. The formal protest setting forth with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based shall be filed within seven (7) calendar days after the initial notice of protest was filed. Failure to timely file a notice of protest or failure to timely file a formal written protest shall constitute a waiver of any right to object or protest with respect to the aforesaid Request for Proposals, Evaluation Criteria, or other contract documents.

**SECTION 14. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS.** The criteria to be used in the evaluation are presented in the Evaluation Criteria Sheet, contained within the Proposal Documents.

**SECTION 15. REJECTION OF ALL PROPOSALS.** The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids, with or without cause, and to waive technical errors and informalities, as determined to be in the best interests of the District.