



## REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 18.

**DATE OF MEETING:** June 27, 2011

**REQUESTED BY:** Rick Benton, County Manager

**SHORT TITLE:** Resolution Adopting the FY 11-12 Budget Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2011

**BACKGROUND:** The budget preparation process began in January with a BOCC planning summit. A proposed budget was submitted to the BOCC on May 2, 2011. Budget work sessions were held on May 2, May 16 and June 6. The required public hearing was held on May 16. The proposed budget ordinance provides for a FY 11-12 property tax rate based on the new property valuation of \$6,333,141,931. The ordinance also provides for Fire and EMS District property tax rates for FY 11-12.

FY 11-12 has been a particularly unusual and difficult year for budget preparation. A new property tax re-evaluation has taken place with new property tax values established January 1, 2011. General revenues have fallen tremendously over the past three years due to the economic recession. The General Assembly is shifting more and more traditional state costs for things like human services, public education and criminal justice to counties. And the County is facing considerable capital improvement needs in the coming years, along with increasing demands and the costs of doing business.

Despite the difficulties, the BOCC continues to strive towards success with its four core strategic priorities: A High Performing Organization; A Sustainable and Vibrant Economy; Excellence in Education; and a Diverse County with an Exceptional Quality of Life.

**SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED:** To adopt a resolution authorizing the FY 11-12 Budget Ordinance as presented (or as amended at the meeting).

**COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION**

Respectfully recommend approval subject to BOCC final approval.

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**RESOLUTION**

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that:

The FY 11-12 Budget Ordinance is hereby approved (as presented or as amended at the meeting). The Chairman/County Manager is authorized to execute any/all documents necessary to implement this resolution.

**AMENDMENTS:**

MOVED \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_ DENIED \_\_\_\_\_ UNANIMOUS

YEA VOTES: Brown \_\_\_ Tate \_\_\_ Rivenbark \_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_ Williams \_\_\_

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George R. Brown, Chairman      Date

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ATTEST      Date

The FY 11-12 Budget Ordinance is not finalized at the time of the printing of this agenda. A draft will be finalized and will be made available at the Board meeting.