

**MANASOTA KEY STREET AND DRAINAGE
Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU)
FY 2024 Annual Report – Executive Summary
October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024**

Ordinance 2015-045 adopts a countywide Uniform Standard for Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU) And Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU) Advisory Boards;

Sec. 4-1-18. Duties/Responsibilities

The advisory board shall make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners and staff, limited to the scope and purpose of the Unit which includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. To make recommendations to the County for expenditure of the funds within the budget in accordance with the law and Board of County Commissioners approved purchasing guidelines and;
2. To make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners regarding the annual proposed budget for the Unit.

Purpose

Code of Laws and Ordinances, ARTICLE XLIV. - MANASOTA KEY STREET AND DRAINAGE UNIT, Sec. 4-6-914. - Purpose.

The purpose of the unit is to provide for the construction, reconstruction, repair, paving, repaving, hard-surfacing, re-hard surfacing, widening, guttering, and draining of streets platted and accepted for maintenance by the county, including the necessary appurtenances thereto, as well as sidewalks, bike paths, and beautification projects, from funds derived from ad valorem taxes within the unit. (Ord. No. 93-73, § 4, 12-21-93)

Summary

Current Rate: \$0.7798 mils

The FY24 completed work program included all internal maintenance and administrative costs, and contracted services for specialty mowing and beacon repair. Decorative lighting for the commercial district was ordered but hurricanes delayed installation. The Advisory Board added a drainage study to the North Beach Road sidewalk design (Phase IV of community plan) in progress. Worsening flooding at Little Court necessitated stormwater design services, pipe lining, and the installation of water level monitors and hydro flap gates. Flap gates are inspected and cleaned quarterly.

The current fiscal year work program includes all internal maintenance and administrative costs, and contracted services for landscaping, concrete flatwork, specialty mowing, North Beach Road sidewalk design, flap gate monitoring and maintenance, and decorative light installation.

For FY26, the Advisory Board recommends budgeting for all internal maintenance and administrative costs, and contracted services for concrete flatwork, landscaping and specialty mowing, decorative light installation, North Beach Road sidewalk construction, flap gate monitoring and maintenance.

Future paving is anticipated for 2032.