

**PLACIDA AREA STREET AND DRAINAGE
Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU)
FY24 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;
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 XLI. - PLACIDA AREA STREET AND DRAINAGE UNIT, Sec. 4-6-854.

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 the platted streets in the unit, and beautification projects, including but not limited to landscaping, lighting, and community signs, including the necessary appurtenances thereto, from funds derived from special assessments within the unit only.

Summary

Current Rate: \$235.15 Vacant/Occupied

Max Rate: \$235.33

The FY24 completed work program covered administrative costs and internal maintenance – asphalt maintenance, boom mowing, ROW watering, culvert vacuum, swale grading and small pipe installations. Services were contracted for the removal of Australian Pines and stumps on Gaspar Drive; responsibility for mowing was turned over to Placida Harbor HOA. Services were contracted for landscaping and concrete flatwork. Bridge maintenance was deferred. Charlotte County postponed plans for a wastewater project in Cape Haze.

The current fiscal year work program covers administrative costs and internal maintenance – concrete flatwork, sign maintenance, small and large pipe repair, culvert vacuuming, and ROW watering. In addition to contracting services for concrete flatwork, street sweeping, and specialty mowing, the MSBU is funding Gasparilla Pines Boulevard sidewalk project design and paving.

For FY26, the Advisory Board recommends budgeting for all internal maintenance and administrative costs and contracted services for concrete flatwork, street sweeping, swale grading, large and small pipe repair, right-of-way safety and specialty mowing, sign maintenance, and Gasparilla Pines Boulevard sidewalk construction.