



Hernando County Sheriff's Office

January 20, 2017

Ms. Tashiba Robinson, Analyst
c/o Office of Policy and Budget
400 South Monroe, Suite 1801
Tallahassee, FL 32399


**Re: *Appeal of Hernando County Sheriff's Office Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget
Administration Commission Case No. SBA-16-002***

Dear Ms. Robinson:

As we continue to prepare and analyze our gubernatorial appeal, I wanted to provide the two attached documents. We are submitting these documents in furtherance of our Petition and request that they be made part of your record to ultimately be available for inspection and consideration by the Administration Commission. Each attachment is a form of a TRIM (truth in millage) notice insert.

Attachment One was included in, and sent with, property tax TRIM notices, which were directed to all Hernando County property owners on or about August 24, 2016. Attachment One represents budgetary allocations of property tax revenues as reported by the Board of County Commissioners to the taxpayers for fiscal year 2016. Attachment Two was provided by Wayne Dukes, BOCC Chairman, to a group of citizens on January 10, 2017. This second document depicts budgetary property tax revenue allocations for fiscal year 2017, including an increase to the Board of County Commissioners, a large reduction to the Sheriff, and a reduced reporting of total General Fund property tax availability or revenue. This is all despite increased property values and, as a result, increased revenue collection. Chairman Dukes provided this document by itself and without explanation as to the variances between the two documents. Should you have any questions, please call Attorney Joel Fritton at 352-797-3607 or email him at jfritton@hernandosheriff.org.

Respectfully,


Al Nienhuis
Sheriff

cc: Katie Cunningham, Policy Coordinator for Governor Rick Scott
Hernando County Board of County Commissioners
Mr. Steve Casey, Executive Director, Florida Sheriffs Association
Mr. Scott Shalley, Executive Director, Florida Association of Counties
Mr. Joel Fritton, Attorney for Hernando County Sheriff's Office
Mr. Jon Jouben, Deputy County Attorney for Hernando County

Attachments (2)