



DATE: September 14, 2016

RE: 2016 Transportation and Infrastructure Surtaxes

The Broward Workshop Board of Directors has voted to support the two half-penny sales tax increases that will be on the November 8th ballot.

We commend the hard work of our 31 municipalities and Broward County as they compromised and ultimately proposed a combined tax: a one-half penny sales tax for transportation and a one-half penny sales tax for infrastructure. The surtaxes and accompanying interlocal agreement include elements the Workshop identified as important: a clear plan that identifies how the tax will be spent; an oversight board of independent professionals; and a reasonable time for the tax to sunset.

The teamwork demonstrated by our cities and county required to create this plan is unprecedented, as is the pledge of all parties to support both ballot measures. It is the hope of the Broward Workshop that this will be the first of many collaborations for the greater good.