



Florida Department of Revenue
Property Tax Oversight

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Honorable Neil Combee
Polk County Property Appraiser
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Dear Mr. Combee:

In accordance with section 195.087, Florida Statutes (F.S.), the Department of Revenue (Department) has made necessary changes to your office's Fiscal Year 2026-27 budget based on review of additional information or testimony you or your county commission provided. The enclosed budget reflects these changes.

The statute provides that this final, Department-approved budget may be amended only through a budget amendment at the property appraiser's request or an appeal to the Governor and Cabinet sitting as the Administration Commission. The Administration Commission may amend the budget if it finds that any aspect of the budget is unreasonable in light of the property appraiser's workload in the county under review. You must file a written request no later than 15 days following the public hearing to finalize your county's budget and adopt millage rates. The property appraiser or the county commission's presiding officer may file appeals. The filing of an appeal does not relieve the county commission of its obligation to fund the Department-approved final budget during the pendency of the appeal.

The 2026-27 salary for the official is not yet available from the Office of Economic and Demographic Research (EDR). Therefore, the Department will make a technical amendment to the budget at a later date to reflect the final salary and any necessary adjustment for matching benefits.

If you have questions about your budget, please contact me at (850) 617-6114.

Sincerely,

Holly Russell
Budget Manager
Property Tax Oversight

Enclosure
cc: Board of County Commissioners