PARRISH FIRE DISTRICT | BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BALLOT INFORMATION

Fire Protection Special Assessment | Election Day: Tuesday, November 3, 2026

The Parrish Fire District Board of Commissioners has placed a question on the **November 3, 2026** ballot concerning an increase to the District's annual special assessment for fire protection services. This flyer is provided for voter information only and does not advocate for or against the measure.

WHAT THE MEASURE WOULD DO

- **Funds a schedule change:** The assessment would fund the personnel needed to move District firefighters from the current 56-hour average work week to a 42-hour (24/72) schedule operating on a 4-shift rotation.
- **Growth and call volume:** According to the District, about half of its emergency calls come from the Buckeye Road and U.S. 301 North corridor.
- **Statutory reference:** The District cites Section 633.508(7)(c), Florida Statutes, in connection with firefighter work-schedule safety.
- **District's stated rationale:** The District states the change is intended to improve firefighter rest and recovery, support response times as the area grows, and help retain trained personnel as other Florida departments adopt 24/72 schedules.

COST & USE OF FUNDS

- **Amount:** A flat annual charge of **$68.00** per developed residential, commercial, and industrial parcel.
- **Exempt parcels:** Vacant land, acreage, and golf course parcels.
- **Use of funds:** This non-ad valorem assessment is levied locally and, per the District, is dedicated to frontline personnel needed to operate the 4-shift rotation.

THE QUESTION AS IT APPEARS ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT

PARRISH FIRE DISTRICT AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE ANNUAL SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES

The complete official ballot text regarding the $68.00 assessment increase and the 56 to 42-hour schedule transition is available from the District (see below). Voters will choose YES or NO.

HOW TO VOTE & REVIEW OFFICIAL INFORMATION

- **Vote by Mail / Early Voting:** Learn about your polling location hours or request an absentee ballot through the Manatee County Supervisor of Elections at **www.votemanatee.com** or call **(941) 741-3823**.
- **Review Official Data:** Review copies of Resolution No. 2026-03 and operating budgets at the District Administration Office, **12132 US 301 North, Parrish, FL 34219**.