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this partnership, Green would
come up with fundraising and the
SOS Foundation would be able
to order and provide the food for
distribution.
Green said in the beginning,
volunteer efforts looked like
her and a small group waiting at
Bernstein Park handing out meals
to children getting off the bus. Her
plan was to make sure kids had
meals to enjoy once they arrived
back home or to save for the
weekend.
However, Green said, as the
program continued, she made
some adjustments.
"The kids were eating them
right as they were getting off the
bus, and not really quite saving

it for the weekends," Green said.
"And then you know, some of the
things were perishable so there's
a little bit of nervousness around
that."
Through personal observations
and surveys given out to teachers
at the schools, Green fine-tuned
the program to address the need
for shelf-stable mid-day snacks.
"We were realizing a lot of kids
didn't have anything to eat during
the snack periods in class," said
Green.
Green then worked with
the SOS Foundation to make
the transition, making sure
they would be providing both
nutritious and popular options for
the kids.

Green explained that now she
and a group of volunteers go to
the SOS Kitchen to pack bags with
various snacks once a month. The
SOS Foundation then brings these
snacks into the classrooms, which
are intended to be readily available
for students.
SOS Foundation Executive
Director Morgan Tracey said
these snacks have guaranteed that
kids have the peace of mind that
food is always available and that
they won't feel excluded if other
students bring in snacks. Teachers
have also shared in surveys that
kids are more attentive than
before.

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO USE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING
NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

The City of Key West, Florida (the "City") hereby provides notice, pursuant to section 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments to be levied within the Incorporated area of the City, for the cost of providing fire services commencing for the Fiscal Year beginning on October 1, 2026 and continuing until discontinued by the City. The City will consider the adoption of a resolution electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments authorized by section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 9:00 a.m. on December 2, 2025 at the Commission Chambers, City Hall, 1300 White Street, Key West, Florida. Such resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain a legal description of the boundaries of the real property subject to the levy. Copies of the proposed form of resolution, which contains the legal description of the real property subject to the levy, are on file at the City Clerk's office, located at City Hall - 1300 White Street, Key West, Florida. All interested persons are invited to attend.

In the event any person decides to appeal any decision by the City with respect to any matter relating to the consideration of the resolution at the above-referenced public hearing, a record of the proceeding may be needed and in such an event, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the public hearing is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should call the TTY number at 305-809-1000 or the ADA Coordinator at 305-809-3951 at least five business days in advance for sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or materials in accessible format.

DATED this 4th day of November 2025.

By Order of:
Danise Henriquez, Mayor
CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA

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City of Key West, FL
Meeting Agenda Outline Only
Planning Board

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