



BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE

Before the enactment of a proposed ordinance, the County shall prepare or cause to be prepared a business impact estimate in accordance with Section 125.66(3), Florida Statutes.

BOCC Meeting Date: public hearing to consider ordinance amending the St. Lucie County International Airport (“Airport”) Minimum Standards and Rules and Regulations to be held on March 22, 2024 at 9:00a.m. or as soon thereafter as the item may be heard.

Proposed Ordinance Title/Reference:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8 “AVIATION” OF THE ST. LUCIE CODE, BY AMENDING ARTICLE I “GENERAL PROVISIONS”; ARTICLE II “ST. LUCIE COUNTY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT RULES AND REGULATIONS”; ARTICLE II, DIVISION 3 “GENERAL AVIATION MINIMUM STANDARDS”; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY; PROVIDING FOR FILING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION AND PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION

The Proposed Ordinance does does not fall under one of the following enumerated exceptions:¹

- The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the county government;
- The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- The ordinance relates to procurement; or
- The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement the following:
 - a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
 - b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
 - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
 - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

A business impact estimate is not required for the above exceptions.

Summary of Proposed Ordinance and Statement of Public Purpose to be Served:

This proposed ordinance seeks to amend the Airport Rules and Regulations and Minimum Standards. The Airport Rules and Regulations inform Airport users, tenants, employees, guests, and all other persons using the Airport of the precautions necessary to maintain a safe environment and explain the various policies in place at the Airport. All Airport users must comply with the Rules and Regulations.

The Minimum Standards are the standards and requirements that apply to all commercial aeronautical operators at the Airport. They foster, encourage, and ensure the economic health and orderly development of aviation and related aeronautical activities at the Airport. Minimum Standards establish transparency and clear expectations for commercial aeronautical operators that operate, or wish to operate, at the Airport. All commercial aeronautical operators that operate, or wish to operate, at the Airport must comply with the Minimum Standards.

The Minimum Standards and Rules and Regulations (together, the “Governing Documents”) were last updated in 2007. The purpose of this ordinance is to bring the Governing Documents up-to-date to reflect the changed circumstances at the Airport since 2007, and in conformity with the FAA recommendation that governing documents be reviewed and updated by the Airport sponsor regularly.

¹ F.S. 125.66(3)(c)(2023)

Estimate of Direct Economic Impact on Private/For Profit Businesses:

a. Estimate of Direct Business Compliance Costs:

The amended terms and conditions will only apply to new aeronautical businesses at the airport or existing aeronautical businesses amending their agreements with the County, so initial costs will be \$0. Costs of compliance for new businesses will depend on the activity engaged in/sought to be in engaged in at the Airport.

The Rules and Regulations will have no direct cost to users of the Airport.

b. New Charges/Fees on Businesses Impacted: None on existing aeronautical businesses. New business enterprises will have to invest in facilities, as they do under existing code requirements.

c. Estimate of Regulatory Costs: None in addition to existing municipal, county, state and federal permitting, licensing requirements and other preexisting regulatory fees.

Good Faith Estimate of Number of Businesses Likely Impacted: 70

Any Additional Information: