



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 Dates: Permission to advertise requested on July 2, 2024 for a public hearing to be held on August 6, 2024

Proposed Ordinance Title/Reference:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6, "ANIMALS" OF THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING SECTION 6-19 "DEFINITIONS" AND SECTION 6-29 "ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES; MANDATORY COURT APPEARANCES" TO PERMIT SERVICE OF PROCESS OF CITATIONS VIA CERTIFIED MAIL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND APPLICABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; 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:

The proposed revisions to the Chapter 6, "Animals", of the St. Lucie County Code of Ordinances under section 6-19 Definitions and section 6-29 Enforcement and Penalties; Mandatory Court Appearances is intended to provide an additional method of service of process of animal control citations via certified mail.

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:

NONE

b. New Charges/Fees on Businesses Impacted:

NONE

c. Estimate of Regulatory Costs:

NONE

Good Faith Estimate of Number of Businesses Likely Impacted:

NONE

Any Additional Information:

NONE