

Business Impact Estimate Form (see F.S. § 125.66(3)(a))

For:

Land Development Code amendments, Chapter 138 Zoning

This Ordinance amendment is scheduled for first reading for consideration for adoption by the Pinellas County Commission on December 17, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. at 333 Chestnut Street, Palm Room, Clearwater, Florida 33756

** Unless an attachment is expressly referenced, the content in this Form encompasses the entire Business Impact Estimate for the Ordinance.*

1. Summary of the Ordinance, including a statement of the public purpose to be served by the Ordinance, such as serving the public health, safety, morals, and welfare of the County: *[This Section does not need to be lengthy. The Recitals (“WHEREAS” Clauses), or the “Purpose” or “Legislative Intent” Sections of the Ordinance, may be helpful to reference.]*

This is an Ordinance amending Chapter 138 of the Pinellas County Land Development Code, AMENDING THE DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION AND REVIEW PROCESS; AMENDING LANGUAGE PERTAINING TO ZONING CLEARANCES; AMENDING ALLOWED BUILDING HEIGHTS IN SPECIFIC ZONING CATEGORIES; AMENDING PROVISIONS GOVERNING OUTDOOR STORAGE; AMENDING PARKING STANDARDS; AMENDING THE PROCESS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS AND WAIVERS; AMENDING PROVISIONS RELATED TO COMMUNICATION TOWERS; AMENDING THE PALM HARBOR FORM BASED CODE DRAINAGE MAP DESCRIPTIONS; AMENDING AND PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; AMENDING CODE PROVISIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF GENERAL CLARIFICATION.

Background:

The Land Development Code is periodically reviewed for revision. These amendments provide clarification, correction, and consistency throughout the Code.

WHEREAS Clauses:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, Florida, (“BCC”) adopted the Land Development Code in 1990; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, the BCC approved Ordinance No. 18-36, which constituted the first major rewrite of the Pinellas County Land Development Code since 1990; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Ordinance is to amend and update the provisions of Chapter 138 of the Land Development Code; and

WHEREAS, the Local Planning Agency held a duly noticed and advertised public hearing on November 13, 2024, as to the proposed Ordinance and recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve the proposed amendments contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that proposed amendments to the Land Development Code as set forth herein are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and the review requirements set forth in the Land Development Code.

2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the Ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the County, including the following, if any:

The proposed ordinance amendment will have no new direct costs to local businesses, no new fees on local businesses, and will incur no new regulatory costs or revenues to Pinellas County.

3. A good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the Proposed Ordinance:

The proposed amendment is not expected to have new impacts on local businesses.

4. Any additional information the BCC deems useful: *[This Section is not legally required.]*

This ordinance proposal is anticipated to have no fiscal impact to Pinellas County or any new business impacts.