

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Press
FROM: Fredrick Piccolo Jr., Director of Communications, Governor Ron DeSantis
DATE: September 30, 2020
RE: Executive Order 20-246 (Local Government Public Meetings)

Local Government Public Meetings

Today, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-246.

The State of Florida recently entered Phase 3 of the Governor's plan for Florida's recovery from COVID-19. Executive Order 20-246 assists the transition to Phase 3 by providing local government bodies with an additional one-month period to conduct their meetings virtually. Local government bodies should prepare to meet in person as required by Florida law beginning November 1, 2020.

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 20-246

(Emergency Management – COVID 19 – Local Government Public Meetings)

WHEREAS, Executive Order 20-69, as extended by Executive Orders 20-112, 20-123, 20-139, 20-150 and amended by Executive Orders 20-179 and 20-193, expires on October 1, 2020, unless extended.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section (1)(a) of the Florida Constitution, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order to take immediate effect:

Section 1. I hereby extend Executive Order 20-69, as extended by Executive Orders 20-112, 20-123, 20-139, 20-150 and amended by Executive Orders 20-179 and 20-193, subject to the condition of Section 2 below, until 12:01 a.m. November 1, 2020. This order supersedes Section 4 of Executive Order 20-69.

Section 2. This order shall not apply to election canvassing boards.

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