

ORDINANCE NO. 25-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 7, ENTITLED “FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION,” ARTICLE IV ENTITLED, “FIRE ASSESSMENTS;” SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 7-22, ENTITLED “DEFINITIONS,” TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF “TAX COLLECTOR;” PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, until 2025, the Broward County Department of Finance and Administrative Services served as the tax collector for Broward County under Article IV of the Broward County Charter; and,

WHEREAS, an amendment to the Florida Constitution was approved by the state’s electorate to require that all designated Constitutional Officers, including Tax Collectors, be elected officials; and,

WHEREAS, in 2024, Broward County elected a state-constitution Tax Collector for Broward County, whose office now serves as the tax collector for the County; and,

WHEREAS, the City Commission has held a public hearing as required by law and considered the input of the general public; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that amending the City’s Code to update the definition of Tax Collector is in the best interests of the citizens and residents of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The foregoing “Whereas” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. City Code Amended. That Section 7-22, entitled “Definitions” of Article IV “Fire Assessments” of Chapter 7, entitled “Fire Protection and Prevention” of the City Code of the City of Cooper City, Florida, is hereby amended, as follows:

Sec. 7-22. – Definitions.

. . .

Tax Collector means the state-constitution Tax Collector in and for Broward County, Florida Department of Finance and Administrative Services as described in Article IV of the Broward County Charter.

. . .

SECTION 3. It is the intention of the City Commission of the City of Cooper City that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cooper City, Florida, and that the Sections of this ordinance may be renumbered, re-lettered and the word "Ordinance" may be changed to "Section," "Article" or such other word or phrase in order to accomplish such intention.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith shall be and hereby are repealed.

SECTION 5. If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on First Reading this _____ day of _____, 2025.

PASSED AND FINAL ADOPTION on Second Reading this _____ day of _____, 2025.

JAMES CURRAN
Mayor

ATTEST:

TEDRA ALLEN
City Clerk

Approved As To Legal Form:

JACOB G. HOROWITZ
City Attorney

ROLL CALL

Mayor Curran
Commissioner Shrouder
Commissioner Katzman
Commissioner Mallozzi
Commissioner Smith

