



## CITY COMMISSION ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION

**TITLE:** Resolution 24-45 (Administration)

**DATE:** December 10, 2024

**DESCRIPTION:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF COMPLAINTS FOR PUBLIC CAMPING OR SLEEPING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 125.0231(4), FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION:**

The City Manager recommends approval of Resolution 24-45 to ensure compliance with Section 125.0231(4), Florida Statutes, as it provides clear processes for addressing public camping or sleeping complaints.

**BACKGROUND OF ITEM:**

During the 2024 Legislative Session, the Florida Legislature passed House Bill 1365, which introduced Section 125.0231, prohibiting public camping or sleeping in certain areas. In response, Broward County enacted Ordinance 2024-37, applying countywide and authorizing enforcement by both the county sheriff and municipal law enforcement.

While the City of Cooper City does not have a conflicting ordinance, the City can enforce the County's Ordinance. This resolution addresses the need for a procedure to provide notice of complaints to the City Commission in compliance with Section 125.023(4), ensuring that affected parties understand how to file such complaints.

**ANALYSIS:**

The resolution formalizes the process for approval for submitting written complaints regarding violations of the prohibition on public camping or sleeping. It allows the City to address such complaints while complying with the Florida Statute. Establishing this method will help the City avoid potential litigation and ensure that complainants' concerns are handled appropriately.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:**

This item supports the Strategic Plan by ensuring compliance with new legislation, maintaining public order, and enhancing the City's capacity to respond to community complaints. It aligns with Strategic Priority #2 Proactive Public Safety.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution 24-45 – Public Camping - Sleeping