

CITY COMMISSION ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION

TITLE: Ordinance 25-08 (Commission)

DATE: February 25, 2025

DESCRIPTION: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER

21 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED "UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE;" BY SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 21-6, ENTITLED "ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES;" PROVIDING FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE CITY'S UNIFIED LA ND DEVELOPMENT CODE THROUGH THE CODE ENFORCEMENT PROCESS PURSUANT TO CH. 162, F.S.; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY;

PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. - Commissioner Shrouder

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of Ordinance 25-08 establishes a formal enforcement process for the City's Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) through Chapter 162, F.S., ensuring compliance with development approvals and providing property owners sufficient time for corrective action.

BACKGROUND OF ITEM:

The City's ULDC serves as the regulatory framework governing land use and development within Cooper City. Currently, enforcement mechanisms for development orders and other approvals lack formal codification under Chapter 162, F.S. This ordinance seeks to align enforcement efforts with state law, offering a structured process for ensuring compliance with development approvals while affording property owners appropriate due process.

ANALYSIS:

The proposed ordinance will:

- Establish a clean enforcement process for development approvals under Chapter 162,
- Define compliance requirements for property owners and developers.
- Allow for appropriate corrective measures before penalties are imposed.
- Ensure development orders remain enforceable and binding on current and future property owners.
- Align the City's enforcement procedures with best practices and legal standards.

This ordinance was drafted with the City Attorney's office to ensure compliance with state law and municipal code requirements.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This ordinance enhances regulatory compliance, promoting orderly development and ensuring that approved projects adhere to established land use policies.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ordinance 25-08