



STAFF REPORT

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

TO: City Council Regular Session

MEETING DATE: March 12, 2024

FROM: L.J. Arnold III, City Attorney

SUBJECT: Second and Final reading of Ordinance No. O-06-2024 to comply with newly enacted Section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes, requiring a Business Impact Estimate to be prepared and filed on all non-exempt ordinances. *L.J. Arnold III*

BACKGROUND

The Florida Legislature and Governor were busy during this past legislative session enacting more unfunded mandates that translate into more work and additional liability to local governments. Attached find a summary prepared by Rebecca O'Hara, Deputy General Counsel, FLC, of a few of those new laws. The one exception allows us to continue an ordinance without re-notification under certain circumstances. The most onerous change in the law is discussed in Section 3 of Ms. O'Hara's memorandum and is the subject of the ordinance being now presented. The actual text of these laws is attached hereto for your reference. Several examples of a form for the Business Impact Estimate are also attached and can be easily modified by staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

Undetermined at this time, but additional staff time will be required to comply with some of these new laws.

RECOMMENDATION

Motion to approve Ordinance No. O-06-2024 on second and final reading.