Local Ordinances SB 170 Rebecca O'Hara Deputy General Counsel, Florida League of Cities rohara@flcities.com

Section 1 -- Prevailing plaintiff attorney fees authorized (modifies s. 57.112, F.S.)

- Courts may award attorney fees, costs, and damages to a prevailing plaintiff who challenges an ordinance for being arbitrary or unreasonable. Fees, costs, and damages are capped at \$50,000.¹ No recovery of fees for litigating amount of fees. No double recoveries for claims involving the same ordinance. This section applies only to ordinances adopted on or after October 1, 2023. Amendments to existing ordinances are subject to this section only to the extent the amendatory language gives rise to the claim.
 - Does not change standing requirements for challenging ordinances enacted pursuant to a local government's police powers. See Boucher v. Novotny, 102 So. 2d 132, 134-35 (Fla. 1958) (requiring special damages differing in kind from damages suffered by the community as a whole); Renard v. Dade County, 261 So. 2d 832 (Fla. 1972); Jack Eckerd Corp. v. Michels Island Village Pharmacy, Inc., 322 So. 2d 57 (Fla. 2d DCA 1975).
 - Does not change the standard of judicial review or burden of proof
 - Ordinances are presumed valid and constitutional. An ordinance that is within the legislative power of a county or municipality is presumed to be valid. See Panama City Bch. Community Redvmt. Agency v. State, 831 So. 2d 662, 669 (Fla. 2002); Orange County v. Costco Wholesale Corp., 823 So. 2d 732, 736 (Fla. 2002); Lowe v. Broward Cty., 766 So. 2d 1199, 1203-04 (Fla. 4th DCA 2000). A court is required to indulge every reasonable presumption in favor of an ordinance's constitutionality. Miami Dade Cty. v. Malibu Lodging Investments, LLC, 64 So 3d 716, 719 (Fla. 3d DCA 2011); Hoesch v. Broward Cty., 53 So. 3d 1177, 1180 (Fla. 4th DCA 2011); City of Kissimmee v. Florida Retail Fed'n, 915 So. 2d 205, 209 (Fla. 5th DCA 2005).
 - Where an ordinance is challenged on the grounds of unreasonableness or unconstitutionality, the burden is on the person alleging its invalidity to establish that fact. *Orange County v. Costco Wholesale Corp.*, 823 So. 2d 732, 736 (Fla. 2002).
 - Fee award is discretionary ("may")
- II. What does "Arbitrary or Unreasonable" mean?

This phrase does not introduce anything new. All ordinances enacted pursuant to an exercise of the police power must be <u>reasonable</u> and not <u>arbitrary</u>. *Classy Cycles, Inc. v. Panama City Beach*, 301 So. 3d 1046, 1051 (Fla. 1st DCA 2019) ("The modern test [of the validity of an ordinance] is an application of the rational basis test, which requires that the ordinance in question be reasonable and not arbitrary."); *Bal Harbour Village v. Welsh*, 879 So. 2d 1265, 1267 (Fla. 3d DCA 2004). Courts use the "fairly debatable" test in determining the reasonableness of an ordinance. *D.R. Horton, Inc.-Jacksonville v. Peyton*, 959 So. 2d 390, 398 (Fla. 1st DCA 2007); *Martin County v. Section 28 Partnership*, Ltd., 772 So. 2d 616, 619 (Fla. 4th DCA 2000), *cert*.

¹ This \$50,000 cap is also found in Section 120.57(3), F.S., relating to challenges to state agency rules.

denied, 534 U.S. 1114 (2002). This is a highly deferential standard because citizens of a municipality should be able to determine through the city's proper officials "what rules are necessary for their own local government." *State v. Sawyer*, 346 So. 2d 1071, 1072 (Fla. 3d DCA 1977), *cert. denied*, 436 U.S. 914 (1978); *Sarasota County v. Walker*, 144 So. 2d 345, 348 (Fla. 2d DCA 1962). If the object of an ordinance is one that reasonable people would find fairly debatable as to its reasonableness, the ordinance will be upheld. *Id.; Hardage v. City of Jacksonville Beach*, 399 So. 2d 1077, 1079 (Fla. 1st DCA 1981). The Florida Supreme Court has said:

Where an ordinance is within the police power of the municipality to enact it is presumed to be reasonable, unless its unreasonable character appears on its face. And when the authority to enact the ordinance does fairly appear, wide latitude is allowed in its exercise, where it does not appear there has been, in action taken, an abuse of authority or a violation of organic or fundamental rights. If reasonable argument exists on the question of whether an ordinance is arbitrary or unreasonable, the legislative will must prevail.

City of Miami v. Kayfetz, 92 So. 2d 798 (Fla. 1957) (citations omitted).

Sections 2 (counties) & 5 (municipalities) -- Continuance of properly noticed ordinance to a subsequent meeting

Creates a new subsection 7 in s. 125.66 and new paragraph (d) in subsection 166.041(3), F.S., to clarify that consideration of a proposed ordinance at a meeting properly noticed under section 125.66 and subsection 166.041 may be continued to a subsequent meeting if, at the meeting, the date, time, and place of the subsequent meeting is publicly stated. No further publication, mailing, or posted notice is required but the continued consideration must be listed in an agenda or similar communication produced for the subsequent meeting. The bill specifies this clarification is remedial in nature. This revision was prompted by a recent decision by the Fourth District Court of Appeal in *Testa v. Town of Jupiter Island*, 2023 WL 1808293 (Fla. 4th DCA Feb. 8, 2023).

Sections 3 (counties) & 6 (municipalities) -- Requires counties and municipalities to prepare a "Business Impact Estimate" prior to enacting certain ordinances

- I. Requires cities and counties to prepare a "business impact estimate" before adoption of an ordinance. The use of an accountant or other financial professional is not required. The estimate must be posted on the local government's website no later than the date the ordinance is published. The estimate must include:
 - A summary of ordinance and its public purpose;
 - A reasonable estimate of the direct economic impact of ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the local government, including any direct compliance costs the businesses may incur;
 - Identification of any new charge or fee on the businesses;
 - An estimate of the local government's regulatory costs including any revenues associated with any new charges or fees;
 - The estimated number of businesses impacted; and
 - Any additional information the local government deems useful.

II. Exemptions:

- Ordinances required to comply with federal or state laws or regulations
- · Ordinances relating to the issuance or refinancing of debt
- Ordinances relating to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget
- Ordinances required to implement a contract or agreement, including grants or financial assistance
- Emergency ordinances
- Ordinances relating to procurement
- Ordinances enacted to implement: Part II, Ch. 163, including land development regulations, zoning, development orders, development agreements, and development permits; Sections 190.005 and 190.046 (CDDs); the Florida Building Code; the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

III. How onerous is this new requirement?

The bill does not provide a mechanism for any person to challenge the sufficiency of the business impact estimate. The bill uses the term "reasonable" as a modifier in several places, suggesting the local government simply make a reasonable effort to address the law's minimum criteria.

IV. Are there consequences for failing to prepare the business impact estimate?

The bill does not specify consequences for failure to prepare the estimate. The requirement to prepare the estimate is established as a new Paragraph (4) in section 166.041 -- Procedures for adoption of ordinances and resolutions, and Paragraph (3) in section 125.66 - Ordinances; enactment procedure. Thus, preparation and posting of the business impact estimate should be treated as a mandatory procedural requirement that is essential to the validity of the ordinance. See Parsons v. City of Jacksonville, 295 So. 2d 892 (Fla. 1st DCA 2020); Coleman v. City of Key West, 807 So. 2d 84 (Fla. 3d DCA 2001); Healthsouth Doctors' Hospital, Inc. v. Hartnett, 622 So. 2d 146 (Fla. 3d DCA 1993).

V. Are there any examples of a business impact estimate?

The bill does not require use of a specific form or method (other than stating minimum requirements to be included) and it does not specify the level of detail that must be provided for each criterion. Also, the bill does not prevent local governments from providing additional information in the business impact estimate, such as potential positive fiscal impacts on other constituent groups. The attached examples show how other governmental entities approach similar requirements, such as the Florida Legislature (Attachment A), the State of Nevada and its municipalities (Attachment B), and Florida state agencies (Attachment C).

Sections 4 (counties) and 7 (municipalities) - Suspension of ordinance enforcement

- I. The local government must suspend enforcement of an ordinance that is the subject of an action alleging the ordinance is expressly preempted, arbitrary, or unreasonable if:
 - The action is filed no later than 90 days after ordinance adoption;
 - The plaintiff requests suspension in the initial complaint or petition; and
 - The local government has been served a copy of the complaint or petition.
- II. If the local government prevails in the action and the plaintiff appeals, the local government may begin enforcing the ordinance 45 days after entry of the lower court order unless the plaintiff obtains a stay.
- III. Directs courts to "prioritize" cases in which ordinance enforcement has been suspended.
- IV. Authorizes a court, on its own or upon motion of a party, to impose sanctions if a pleading, motion, or other paper is signed or filed for an improper purpose.

V. Exemptions:

- Ordinances required to comply with federal or state laws or regulations
- Ordinances relating to the issuance or refinancing of debt
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An act relating to local ordinances; amending s. 57.112, F.S.; authorizing courts to assess and award reasonable attorney fees and costs and damages in certain civil actions filed against local governments; specifying a limitation on awards and a restriction on fees and costs of certain litigation; providing construction and applicability; amending s. 125.66, F.S.; providing certain procedures for continued meetings on proposed ordinances and resolutions for counties; providing for construction and retroactive application; requiring a board of county commissioners to prepare or cause to be prepared a business impact estimate before the enactment of a proposed ordinance; specifying requirements for the posting and content of the estimate; providing construction and applicability; creating s. 125.675, F.S.; requiring a county to suspend enforcement of an ordinance that is the subject of a certain legal action if certain conditions are met; authorizing a prevailing county to enforce the ordinance after a specified period, except under certain circumstances; requiring courts to give priority to certain cases; providing construction relating to an attorney's or a party's signature; requiring a court to impose sanctions under certain circumstances; providing applicability; authorizing courts to award attorney fees and costs and damages if certain conditions are met; amending s. 166.041, F.S.; providing certain procedures for continued meetings on

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proposed ordinances for municipalities; providing for construction and retroactive application; requiring a governing body of a municipality to prepare or cause to be prepared a business impact estimate before the enactment of a proposed ordinance; specifying requirements for the posting and content of the estimate; providing construction and applicability; creating s. 166.0411, F.S.; requiring a municipality to suspend enforcement of an ordinance that is the subject of a certain legal action if certain conditions are met; authorizing a prevailing municipality to enforce the ordinance after a specified period, except under certain circumstances; requiring courts to give priority to certain cases; providing construction relating to an attorney's or a party's signature; requiring a court to impose sanctions under certain circumstances; providing applicability; authorizing courts to award attorney fees and costs and damages if certain conditions are met; amending ss. 163.2517, 163.3181, 163.3215, 376.80, 497.270, 562.45, and 847.0134, F.S.; conforming cross-references and making technical changes; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing effective dates.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Section 57.112, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 57.112 Attorney fees and costs and damages; <u>arbitrary</u>, unreasonable, or expressly preempted local <u>ordinances</u> actions.
- (1) As used in this section, the term "attorney fees and costs" means the reasonable and necessary attorney fees and costs incurred for all preparations, motions, hearings, trials, and appeals in a proceeding.
- (2) If a civil action is filed against a local government to challenge the adoption or enforcement of a local ordinance on the grounds that it is expressly preempted by the State Constitution or by state law, the court shall assess and award reasonable attorney fees and costs and damages to the prevailing party.
- (3) If a civil action is filed against a local government to challenge the adoption of a local ordinance on the grounds that the ordinance is arbitrary or unreasonable, the court may assess and award reasonable attorney fees and costs and damages to a prevailing plaintiff. An award of reasonable attorney fees or costs and damages pursuant to this subsection may not exceed \$50,000. In addition, a prevailing plaintiff may not recover any attorney fees or costs directly incurred by or associated with litigation to determine an award of reasonable attorney fees or costs.
- (4) Attorney fees and costs <u>and damages</u> may not be awarded pursuant to this section if:
- (a) The governing body of a local governmental entity receives written notice that an ordinance that has been publicly noticed or adopted is expressly preempted by the State Constitution or state law or is arbitrary or unreasonable; and
 - (b) The governing body of the local governmental entity

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withdraws the proposed ordinance within 30 days; or, in the case of an adopted ordinance, the governing body of a local government notices an intent to repeal the ordinance within 30 days after of receipt of the notice and repeals the ordinance within 30 days thereafter.

- (5)(4) The provisions in this section are supplemental to all other sanctions or remedies available under law or court rule. However, this section may not be construed to authorize double recovery if an affected person prevails on a claim brought against a local government pursuant to other applicable law involving the same ordinance, operative acts, or transactions.
- (6) (5) This section does not apply to local ordinances adopted pursuant to part II of chapter 163, s. 553.73, or s. 633.202.
- (7) (a) (6) Except as provided in paragraph (b), this section is intended to be prospective in nature and applies shall apply only to cases commenced on or after July 1, 2019.
- (b) The amendments to this section effective October 1, 2023, are prospective in nature and apply only to ordinances adopted on or after October 1, 2023.
- (c) An amendment to an ordinance enacted after October 1, 2023, gives rise to a claim under this section only to the extent that the application of the amendatory language is the cause of the claim apart from the ordinance being amended.
- Section 2. Effective upon becoming a law, subsection (7) is added to section 125.66, Florida Statutes, to read:
- 125.66 Ordinances; enactment procedure; emergency ordinances; rezoning or change of land use ordinances or

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resolutions.-

(7) Consideration of the proposed county ordinance or county resolution at a properly noticed meeting may be continued to a subsequent meeting if, at the scheduled meeting, the date, time, and place of the subsequent meeting is publicly stated. No further publication, mailing, or posted notice as required under this section is required, except that the continued consideration must be listed in an agenda or similar communication produced for the subsequent meeting. This subsection is remedial in nature, is intended to clarify existing law, and shall apply retroactively.

Section 3. Present subsections (3) through (7) of section 125.66, Florida Statutes, as amended by this act, are redesignated as subsections (4) through (8), respectively, a new subsection (3) is added to that section, and paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of that section is amended, to read:

125.66 Ordinances; enactment procedure; emergency ordinances; rezoning or change of land use ordinances or resolutions.—

(2) (a) The regular enactment procedure <u>is shall be</u> as follows: The board of county commissioners at any regular or special meeting may enact or amend any ordinance, except as provided in subsection (5) (4), if notice of intent to consider such ordinance is given at least 10 days before such meeting by publication as provided in chapter 50. A copy of such notice <u>must shall</u> be kept available for public inspection during the regular business hours of the office of the clerk of the board of county commissioners. The notice of proposed enactment <u>must shall</u> state the date, time, and place of the meeting; the title

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or titles of proposed ordinances; and the place or places within the county where such proposed ordinances may be inspected by the public. The notice <u>must shall</u> also advise that interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance.

- (3) (a) Before the enactment of a proposed ordinance, the board of county commissioners shall prepare or cause to be prepared a business impact estimate in accordance with this subsection. The business impact estimate must be posted on the county's website no later than the date the notice of proposed enactment is published pursuant to paragraph (2) (a) and must include all of the following:
- 1. A summary of the proposed ordinance, including a statement of the public purpose to be served by the proposed ordinance, such as serving the public health, safety, morals, and welfare of the county.
- 2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the county, including the following, if any:
- a. An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur if the ordinance is enacted.
- b. Identification of any new charge or fee on businesses subject to the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible.
- c. An estimate of the county's regulatory costs, including an estimate of revenues from any new charges or fees that will be imposed on businesses to cover such costs.
- 3. A good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the ordinance.

175	4. Any additional information the board determines may be
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177	(b) This subsection may not be construed to require a
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179	prepare the business impact estimate required by this
180	subsection.
181	(c) This subsection does not apply to:
182	1. Ordinances required for compliance with federal or state
183	law or regulation;
184	2. Ordinances relating to the issuance or refinancing of
185	debt;
186	3. Ordinances relating to the adoption of budgets or budget
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188	budget;
189	4. Ordinances required to implement a contract or an
190	agreement, including, but not limited to, any federal, state,
191	local, or private grant, or other financial assistance accepted
192	by a county government;
193	5. Emergency ordinances;
194	6. Ordinances relating to procurement; or
195	7. Ordinances enacted to implement the following:
196	a. Part II of chapter 163, relating to growth policy,
197	county and municipal planning, and land development regulation,
198	including zoning, development orders, development agreements,
199	and development permits;
200	b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046;
201	c. Section 553.73, relating to the Florida Building Code;
202	<u>or</u>
203	d Section 633 202 relating to the Florida Fire Prevention

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Section 4. Section 125.675, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

125.675 Legal challenges to certain recently enacted ordinances.—

- (1) A county must suspend enforcement of an ordinance that is the subject of an action challenging the ordinance's validity on the grounds that it is expressly preempted by the State Constitution or by state law or is arbitrary or unreasonable if:
- (a) The action was filed with the court no later than 90 days after the adoption of the ordinance;
- (b) The plaintiff requests suspension in the initial complaint or petition, citing this section; and
- (c) The county has been served with a copy of the complaint or petition.
- (2) When the plaintiff appeals a final judgment finding that an ordinance is valid and enforceable, the county may enforce the ordinance 45 days after the entry of the order unless the plaintiff obtains a stay of the lower court's order.
- (3) The court shall give cases in which the enforcement of an ordinance is suspended under this section priority over other pending cases and shall render a preliminary or final decision on the validity of the ordinance as expeditiously as possible.
- (4) The signature of an attorney or a party constitutes a certificate that he or she has read the pleading, motion, or other paper and that, to the best of his or her knowledge, information, and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, it is not interposed for any improper purpose, such as to harass or to cause unnecessary delay, or for economic advantage, competitive

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reasons, or frivolous purposes or needless increase in the cost of litigation. If a pleading, motion, or other paper is signed in violation of these requirements, the court, upon its own initiative or upon favorably ruling on a party's motion for sanctions, must impose upon the person who signed it, a represented party, or both, an appropriate sanction, which may include an order to pay to the other party or parties the amount of reasonable expenses incurred because of the filing of the pleading, motion, or other paper, including reasonable attorney fees.

- (5) This section does not apply to:
- (a) Ordinances required for compliance with federal or state law or regulation;
- (b) Ordinances relating to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- (c) Ordinances relating to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- (d) Ordinances required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any federal, state, local, or private grant, or other financial assistance accepted by a county government;
 - (e) Emergency ordinances;
 - (f) Ordinances relating to procurement; or
 - (g) Ordinances enacted to implement the following:
- 1. Part II of chapter 163, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements, and development permits;

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- 262 2. Sections 190.005 and 190.046;
 - 3. Section 553.73, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
 - $\underline{\text{4. Section 633.202, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention}}$ Code.
 - (6) The court may award attorney fees and costs and damages as provided in s. 57.112.

Section 5. Effective upon becoming a law, paragraph (d) is added to subsection (3) of section 166.041, Florida Statutes, and paragraph (a) of that subsection is amended, to read:

166.041 Procedures for adoption of ordinances and resolutions.—

- (3) (a) Except as provided in paragraphs paragraph (c) and (d), a proposed ordinance may be read by title, or in full, on at least 2 separate days and shall, at least 10 days prior to adoption, be noticed once in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality. The notice of proposed enactment shall state the date, time, and place of the meeting; the title or titles of proposed ordinances; and the place or places within the municipality where such proposed ordinances may be inspected by the public. The notice shall also advise that interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance.
- (d) Consideration of the proposed municipal ordinance at a meeting properly noticed pursuant to this subsection may be continued to a subsequent meeting if, at the meeting, the date, time, and place of the subsequent meeting is publicly stated. No further publication, mailing, or posted notice as required under this subsection is required, except that the continued

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291 consideration must be listed in an agenda or similar communication produced for the subsequent meeting. This 292 paragraph is remedial in nature, is intended to clarify existing 293 law, and shall apply retroactively.

Section 6. Present subsections (4) through (8) of section 166.041, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (5) through (9), respectively, and a new subsection (4) is added to that section, to read:

166.041 Procedures for adoption of ordinances and resolutions .-

- (4) (a) Before the enactment of a proposed ordinance, the governing body of a municipality shall prepare or cause to be prepared a business impact estimate in accordance with this subsection. The business impact estimate must be posted on the municipality's website no later than the date the notice of proposed enactment is published pursuant to paragraph (3)(a) and must include all of the following:
- 1. A summary of the proposed ordinance, including a statement of the public purpose to be served by the proposed ordinance, such as serving the public health, safety, morals, and welfare of the municipality.
- 2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the municipality, including the following, if any:
- a. An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur if the ordinance is enacted;
- b. Identification of any new charge or fee on businesses subject to the proposed ordinance, or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and

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- c. An estimate of the municipality's regulatory costs, including an estimate of revenues from any new charges or fees that will be imposed on businesses to cover such costs.
- 3. A good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the ordinance.
- 4. Any additional information the governing body determines may be useful.
- (b) This subsection may not be construed to require a municipality to procure an accountant or other financial consultant to prepare the business impact estimate required by this subsection.
 - (c) This subsection does not apply to:
- 1. Ordinances required for compliance with federal or state law or regulation;
- 2. Ordinances relating to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- 3. Ordinances relating to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- 4. Ordinances required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any federal, state, local, or private grant, or other financial assistance accepted by a municipal government;
 - 5. Emergency ordinances;
 - 6. Ordinances relating to procurement; or
 - 7. Ordinances enacted to implement the following:
- a. Part II of chapter 163, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements,

349	and development permits;
350	b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046;
351	c. Section 553.73, relating to the Florida Building Code;
352	<u>or</u>
353	d. Section 633.202, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention
354	Code.
355	Section 7. Section 166.0411, Florida Statutes, is created
356	to read:
357	166.0411 Legal challenges to certain recently enacted
358	ordinances
359	(1) A municipality must suspend enforcement of an ordinance
360	that is the subject of an action challenging the ordinance's
361	validity on the grounds that it is expressly preempted by the
362	State Constitution or by state law or is arbitrary or
363	unreasonable if:
364	(a) The action was filed with the court no later than 90
365	days after the adoption of the ordinance;
366	(b) The plaintiff requests suspension in the initial
367	complaint or petition, citing this section; and
368	(c) The municipality has been served with a copy of the
369	complaint or petition.
370	(2) When the plaintiff appeals a final judgment finding
371	that an ordinance is valid and enforceable, the municipality may
372	enforce the ordinance 45 days after the entry of the order
373	unless the plaintiff obtains a stay of the lower court's order.
374	(3) The court shall give cases in which the enforcement of
375	an ordinance is suspended under this section priority over other
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377	on the validity of the ordinance as expeditiously as possible.

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- (4) The signature of an attorney or a party constitutes a certificate that he or she has read the pleading, motion, or other paper and that, to the best of his or her knowledge, information, and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, it is not interposed for any improper purpose, such as to harass or to cause unnecessary delay, or for economic advantage, competitive reasons, or frivolous purposes or needless increase in the cost of litigation. If a pleading, motion, or other paper is signed in violation of these requirements, the court, upon its own initiative or upon favorably ruling on a party's motion for sanctions, must impose upon the person who signed it, a represented party, or both, an appropriate sanction, which may include an order to pay to the other party or parties the amount of reasonable expenses incurred because of the filing of the pleading, motion, or other paper, including reasonable attorney fees.
 - (5) This section does not apply to:
- (a) Ordinances required for compliance with federal or state law or regulation;
- (b) Ordinances relating to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- (c) Ordinances relating to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- (d) Ordinances required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any federal, state, local, or private grant, or other financial assistance accepted by a municipal government;
 - (e) Emergency ordinances;

107	(f) Ordinances relating to procurement; or
108	(g) Ordinances enacted to implement the following:
109	1. Part II of chapter 163, relating to growth policy,
110	county and municipal planning, and land development regulation,
111	including zoning, development orders, development agreements,
112	and development permits;
113	2. Sections 190.005 and 190.046;
114	3. Sections 553.73, relating to the Florida Building Code;
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	or A Section 622 202 relating to the Florida Fire Prevention
416	4. Section 633.202, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention
417	Code.
118	(6) The court may award attorney fees and costs and damages
119	as provided in s. 57.112.
120	Section 8. Subsection (5) of section 163.2517, Florida
121	Statutes, is amended to read:
122	163.2517 Designation of urban infill and redevelopment
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124	(5) After the preparation of an urban infill and
125	redevelopment plan or designation of an existing plan, the local
126	government shall adopt the plan by ordinance. Notice for the
127	public hearing on the ordinance must be in the form established
428	in s. 166.041(3)(c)2. for municipalities, and $\underline{s. 125.66(5)(b)2.}$
429	s. 125.66(4)(b)2. for counties.
430	Section 9. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section
431	163.3181, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
432	163.3181 Public participation in the comprehensive planning
433	process; intent; alternative dispute resolution
434	(3) A local government considering undertaking a publicly
435	financed capital improvement project may elect to use the

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procedures set forth in this subsection for the purpose of allowing public participation in the decision and resolution of disputes. For purposes of this subsection, a publicly financed capital improvement project is a physical structure or structures, the funding for construction, operation, and maintenance of which is financed entirely from public funds.

(a) Before Prior to the date of a public hearing on the decision on whether to proceed with the proposed project, the local government shall publish public notice of its intent to decide the issue according to the notice procedures described by \underline{s} . $\underline{125.66(5)(b)2}$. \underline{s} . $\underline{125.66(4)(b)2}$. for a county or \underline{s} . $\underline{166.041(3)(c)2.b}$. for a municipality.

Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 163.3215, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

163.3215 Standing to enforce local comprehensive plans through development orders.—

(4) If a local government elects to adopt or has adopted an ordinance establishing, at a minimum, the requirements listed in this subsection, the sole method by which an aggrieved and adversely affected party may challenge any decision of local government granting or denying an application for a development order, as defined in s. 163.3164, which materially alters the use or density or intensity of use on a particular piece of property, on the basis that it is not consistent with the comprehensive plan adopted under this part, is by an appeal filed by a petition for writ of certiorari filed in circuit court no later than 30 days following rendition of a development order or other written decision of the local government, or when all local administrative appeals, if any, are exhausted,

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whichever occurs later. An action for injunctive or other relief may be joined with the petition for certiorari. Principles of judicial or administrative res judicata and collateral estoppel apply to these proceedings. Minimum components of the local process are as follows:

(a) The local process must make provision for notice of an application for a development order that materially alters the use or density or intensity of use on a particular piece of property, including notice by publication or mailed notice consistent with the provisions of ss. 125.66(5)(b)2. and 3. and 166.041(3)(c)2.b. and c. ss. 125.66(4)(b)2. and 3. and 166.041(3)(c)2.b. and c., and must require prominent posting at the job site. The notice must be given within 10 days after the filing of an application for a development order; however, notice under this subsection is not required for an application for a building permit or any other official action of local government which does not materially alter the use or density or intensity of use on a particular piece of property. The notice must clearly delineate that an aggrieved or adversely affected person has the right to request a quasi-judicial hearing before the local government for which the application is made, must explain the conditions precedent to the appeal of any development order ultimately rendered upon the application, and must specify the location where written procedures can be obtained that describe the process, including how to initiate the quasi-judicial process, the timeframes for initiating the process, and the location of the hearing. The process may include an opportunity for an alternative dispute resolution. Section 11. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section

- 376.80, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 376.80 Brownfield program administration process.-
 - (1) The following general procedures apply to brownfield designations:
 - (c) Except as otherwise provided, the following provisions apply to all proposed brownfield area designations:
 - 1. Notification to department following adoption.—A local government with jurisdiction over the brownfield area must notify the department, and, if applicable, the local pollution control program under s. 403.182, of its decision to designate a brownfield area for rehabilitation for the purposes of ss. 376.77-376.86. The notification must include a resolution adopted by the local government body. The local government shall notify the department, and, if applicable, the local pollution control program under s. 403.182, of the designation within 30 days after adoption of the resolution.
 - 2. Resolution adoption.—The brownfield area designation must be carried out by a resolution adopted by the jurisdictional local government, which includes a map adequate to clearly delineate exactly which parcels are to be included in the brownfield area or alternatively a less-detailed map accompanied by a detailed legal description of the brownfield area. For municipalities, the governing body shall adopt the resolution in accordance with the procedures outlined in s. 166.041, except that the procedures for the public hearings on the proposed resolution must be in the form established in s. 166.041(3)(c)2. For counties, the governing body shall adopt the resolution in accordance with the procedures outlined in s. 125.66, except that the procedures for the public hearings on

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the proposed resolution $\underline{\text{must}}$ shall be in the form established in s. 125.66(5)(b) s. 125.66(4)(b).

- 3. Right to be removed from proposed brownfield area.—If a property owner within the area proposed for designation by the local government requests in writing to have his or her property removed from the proposed designation, the local government <u>must shall</u> grant the request.
- 4. Notice and public hearing requirements for designation of a proposed brownfield area outside a redevelopment area or by a nongovernmental entity. Compliance with the following provisions is required before designation of a proposed brownfield area under paragraph (2)(a) or paragraph (2)(c):
 - a. At least one of the required public hearings <u>must shall</u> be conducted as closely as is reasonably practicable to the area to be designated to provide an opportunity for public input on the size of the area, the objectives for rehabilitation, job opportunities and economic developments anticipated, neighborhood residents' considerations, and other relevant local concerns.
 - b. Notice of a public hearing must be made in a newspaper of general circulation in the area, must be made in ethnic newspapers or local community bulletins, must be posted in the affected area, and must be announced at a scheduled meeting of the local governing body before the actual public hearing.

Section 12. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 497.270, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 497.270 Minimum acreage; sale or disposition of cemetery lands.—
 - (3)(a) If the property to be sold, conveyed, or disposed of

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under subsection (2) has been or is being used for the permanent interment of human remains, the applicant for approval of such sale, conveyance, or disposition <u>must shall</u> cause to be published, at least once a week for 4 consecutive weeks, a notice meeting the standards of publication set forth in <u>s.</u> 125.66(5)(b)2. <u>s. 125.66(4)(b)2.</u> The notice <u>must shall</u> describe the property in question and the proposed noncemetery use and <u>must shall</u> advise substantially affected persons that they may file a written request for a hearing pursuant to chapter 120, within 14 days after the date of last publication of the notice, with the department if they object to granting the applicant's request to sell, convey, or dispose of the subject property for noncemetery uses.

Section 13. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 562.45, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 562.45 Penalties for violating Beverage Law; local ordinances; prohibiting regulation of certain activities or business transactions; requiring nondiscriminatory treatment; providing exceptions.—
- (2) (a) Nothing contained in the Beverage Law <u>may shall</u> be construed to affect or impair the power or right of any county or incorporated municipality of the state to enact ordinances regulating the hours of business and location of place of business, and prescribing sanitary regulations therefor, of any licensee under the Beverage Law within the county or corporate limits of such municipality. However, except for premises licensed on or before July 1, 1999, and except for locations that are licensed as restaurants, which derive at least 51 percent of their gross revenues from the sale of food and

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nonalcoholic beverages, pursuant to chapter 509, a location for on-premises consumption of alcoholic beverages may not be located within 500 feet of the real property that comprises a public or private elementary school, middle school, or secondary school unless the county or municipality approves the location as promoting the public health, safety, and general welfare of the community under proceedings as provided in s. 125.66(5) s. 125.66(4), for counties, and s. 166.041(3)(c), for municipalities. This restriction may shall not, however, be construed to prohibit the issuance of temporary permits to certain nonprofit organizations as provided for in s. 561.422. The division may not issue a change in the series of a license or approve a change of a licensee's location unless the licensee provides documentation of proper zoning from the appropriate county or municipal zoning authorities.

Section 14. Subsection (1) of section 847.0134, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

847.0134 Prohibition of adult entertainment establishment that displays, sells, or distributes materials harmful to minors within 2,500 feet of a school.—

(1) Except for those establishments that are legally operating or have been granted a permit from a local government to operate as adult entertainment establishments on or before July 1, 2001, an adult entertainment establishment that sells, rents, loans, distributes, transmits, shows, or exhibits any obscene material, as described in s. 847.0133, or presents live entertainment or a motion picture, slide, or other exhibit that, in whole or in part, depicts nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, sexual battery, sexual bestiality, or

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sadomasochistic abuse and that is harmful to minors, as described in s. 847.001, may not be located within 2,500 feet of the real property that comprises a public or private elementary school, middle school, or secondary school unless the county or municipality approves the location under proceedings as provided in $\underline{s.\ 125.66(5)}\ \underline{s.\ 125.66(4)}$ for counties or $\underline{s.\ 166.041(3)(c)}$ for municipalities.

Section 15. The Legislature finds and declares that this act fulfills an important state interest.

Section 16. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon becoming a law, this act shall take effect October 1, 2023.

Business Impact Estimate

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Propo	sed ordinance's title/reference:
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	The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
	The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
	The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
	The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the municipal government;
	The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
	The ordinance relates to procurement; or
	The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement the following:
	a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
	b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
	 c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code; or d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, even notwithstanding the fact that an exemption noted above may apply, the [City/Town/Village] hereby publishes the following information:

¹ See Section 166.041(4)(c), Florida Statutes.

- 1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals and welfare):
- 2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the [City/Town/Village], if any:
- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;
- (b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and
- (c) An estimate of the [City's/Town's/Village's] regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.
- 3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance:
- 4. Additional information the governing body deems useful (if any): [You may wish to include in this section the methodology or data used to prepare the Business Impact Estimate. For example: [City/Town/Village] staff solicited comments from businesses in the [City/Town/Village] as to the potential impact of the proposed ordinance by contacting the chamber of commerce, social media posting, direct mail or direct email, posting on [City/Town/Village] website, public workshop, etc. You may also wish to include efforts made to reduce the potential fiscal impact on businesses. You may also wish to state here that the proposed ordinance is a generally applicable ordinance that applies to all persons similarly situated (individuals as well as businesses) and, therefore, the proposed ordinance does not affect only businesses).

Business Impact Estimate

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Proposed ordinance's title/reference:

Hypothetical Proposed Ordinance 23-100 Building Permit Fees

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes. If one or more boxes are checked below, this means the [City/Town/Village] is of the view that a business impact estimate is not required by state law1 for the proposed ordinance, but the [City/Town/Village] is, nevertheless, providing this Business Impact Estimate as a courtesy and to avoid any procedural issues that could impact the enactment of the proposed ordinance. This Business Impact Estimate may be revised following its initial posting.

	The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
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	The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
	The ordinance relates to procurement; or
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- - a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
 - b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
 - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
 - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, even notwithstanding the fact that an exemption noted above may apply, the [City/Town/Village] hereby publishes the following information:

¹ See Section 166.041(4)(c), Florida Statutes.

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals and welfare):

Ordinance 23-100 would increase the current basic building permit fee applicable to residential dwelling construction from \$32 per 100 square feet to the proposed \$36 per 100 square feet. It is estimated this increase will add an additional \$400 per year to pay the costs of processing building permits, conducting related reviews and making related inspections. The public purpose of the ordinance is to offset the [City/Town/Village's] costs of processing building permits, conducting related reviews and making related inspections, thereby protecting public safety and ensuring compliance with the Florida Building Code.

- 2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the [City/Town/Village], including the following, if any:
- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;
- (b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and
- (c) An estimate of the [City's/Town's/Village's] regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

The adoption of Ordinance 23-100 will directly increase the fees paid to construct new dwelling units and will result in additional money for building permit processing. Currently, the average levy is \$484, which represents an approximately 1,500-square-foot housing unit. The change from \$32 to \$36 represents a 12.5% increase. The direct impact of this change is anticipated to be an increase of \$60 per average housing unit.

Ordinance 23-100 does not create a new fee or charge. It would increase the current basic building permit fee applicable to residential dwelling construction from \$32 per 100 square feet to the proposed \$36 per 100 square feet.

The proposed change in the residential construction fee presents no significant foreseeable or anticipated cost or decrease in the [City/Town/Village's] regulatory costs. Ordinance 23-100 would increase the current basic building permit fee applicable to residential dwelling construction from \$32 per 100 square feet to the proposed \$36 per 100 square feet. It is estimated this increase will add an additional \$400 per year to pay the [City/Town/Village's] costs of processing building permits, conducting related reviews and making related inspections.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed
ordinance:
The [City/Town/Village] issued permits for residential dwelling unit construction in FY The estimated
number of businesses likely to be impacted by the ordinance cannot be quantified at this time because the number of
businesses likely to be impacted by Ordinance 23-100 will depend on how many businesses seek residential dwelling
building permits following the effective date of the ordinance.

4. Additional information the governing body deems useful (if any):

[You may wish to include in this section the methodology or data used to prepare the Business Impact Estimate. For example: [City/Town/Village] staff solicited comments from businesses in the [City/Town/Village] as to the potential impact of the proposed ordinance by contacting the chamber of commerce, social media posting, direct mail or direct email, posting on [City/Town/Village] website, public workshop, etc. You may also wish to include efforts made to reduce the potential fiscal impact on businesses. You may also wish to state here that the proposed ordinance is a generally applicable ordinance that applies to all persons similarly situated (individuals as well as businesses) and, therefore, the proposed ordinance does not affect only businesses).

Business Impact Estimate

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Proposed ordinance's title/reference:

Hypothetical Proposed Ordinance 23-101 Outdoor Amplified Sound

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes. If one or more boxes are checked below, this means the [City/Town/Village] is of the view that a business impact estimate is not required by state law¹ for the proposed ordinance, but the [City/Town/Village] is, nevertheless, providing this Business Impact Estimate as a courtesy and to avoid any procedural issues that could impact the enactment of the proposed ordinance. This Business Impact Estimate may be revised following its initial posting.

- The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation: The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt; The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget; The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the municipal government; The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance; The ordinance relates to procurement; or
 - The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement the following:

 a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
 - b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
 - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
 - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, even notwithstanding the fact that an exemption noted above may apply, the [City/Town/Village] hereby publishes the following information:

¹ See Section 166.041(4)(c), Florida Statutes.

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals and welfare):

Ordinance 23-101 is proposed for the purpose of imposing sound limits on outdoor amplified sound at establishments that offer alcoholic beverages for sale to protect the public health and safety of patrons, nearby businesses and residences. The ordinance prohibits outdoor amplified sound that exceeds specified levels on Sunday to Thursday nights commencing at 11:00 p.m. and Friday and Saturday nights commencing at midnight until 7:00 a.m. the following morning.

- 2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the [City/Town/Village], including the following, if any:
- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;
- (b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and
- (c) An estimate of the [City's/Town's/Village's] regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

There are unlikely to be direct compliance costs associated with Ordinance 23-101. There may be indirect compliance costs incurred by business establishments that currently use outdoor amplified sound at noise levels and hours that would be prohibited by Ordinance 23-101. Such business establishments may be required to move amplified sound indoors or shorten the hours for outdoor amplified sound.

Ordinance 23-101 does not impose any new charge or fee on businesses.

The City may incur increased, indeterminate regulatory costs associated with code compliance. There are no new charges or fees that will be imposed on businesses by the ordinance.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance:

The City estimates that ____ private, for-profit businesses serve alcoholic beverages in the City and, therefore, would potentially be subject to Ordinance 23-101. [cite source of data]

4. Additional information the governing body deems useful (if any):

[You may wish to include in this section the methodology or data used to prepare the Business Impact Estimate. For example: [City/Town/Village] staff solicited comments from businesses in the [City/Town/Village] as to the potential impact of the proposed ordinance by contacting the chamber of commerce, social media posting, direct mail or direct email, posting on [City/Town/Village] website, public workshop, etc. You may also wish to include efforts made to reduce the potential fiscal impact on businesses. You may also wish to state here that the proposed ordinance is a generally applicable ordinance that applies to all persons similarly situated (individuals as well as businesses) and, therefore, the proposed ordinance does not affect only businesses).

Business Impact Estimate

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Proposed ordinance's title/reference:

Hypothetical Proposed Ordinance 23-102 Single-Use Plastic

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes. If one or more boxes are checked below, this means the [City/Town/Village] is of the view that a business impact estimate is not required by state law¹ for the proposed ordinance, but the [City/Town/Village] is, nevertheless, providing this Business Impact Estimate as a courtesy and to avoid any procedural issues that could impact the enactment of the proposed ordinance. This Business Impact Estimate may be revised following its initial posting.

- The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation: The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt; The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget; The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the municipal government; The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance: The ordinance relates to procurement; or The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement the following: a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning,
 - development orders, development agreements and development permits; b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts:
 - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
 - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, even notwithstanding the fact that an exemption noted above may apply, the [City/Town/Village] hereby publishes the following information:

¹ See Section 166.041(4)(c), Florida Statutes.

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals and welfare):

Ordinance 23-102 would prohibit the sale or use of single-use plastic beverage straws and single-use plastic stirrers by city contractors and special event permittees conducting special events on municipal property. The ordinance furthers public health, safety and welfare by reducing litter from single-use plastic straws and stirrers, which are not readily recyclable or biodegradable.

- 2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the [City/Town/Village], including the following, if any:
- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;
- (b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and
- (c) An estimate of the [City's/Town's/Village's] regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

Ordinance 23-102 applies only to city contractors and special event permittees with permits or contracts entered or issued after the effective date of the ordinance. These entities may incur increased, indeterminate costs associated with using biodegradable or reusable straws and stirrers that are greater than the costs associated with using non-biodegradable or single-use straws and stirrers. Biodegradable or reusable straws and stirrers typically cost 8% more than plastic products. [cite source of data]. Private, for-profit businesses in the [City/Town/Village] may avoid incurring these costs by not entering contracts with the City and by not seeking city permits for special events.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance:

The City estimates that _____ private, for-profit businesses serve alcoholic beverages in the City and, therefore, would potentially be subject to Ordinance 23-101. [cite source of data]

Ordinance 23-102 does not impose any new charge or fee on businesses.

The City may incur increased, indeterminate costs associated with monitoring the activity of city contractors and special event permittees to ensure compliance. There are no new charges or fees that will be imposed on businesses by the ordinance to cover the City's costs of ensuring compliance.

4. Additional information the governing body deems useful (if any):

[You may wish to include in this section the methodology or data used to prepare the Business Impact Estimate. For example: [City/Town/Village] staff solicited comments from businesses in the [City/Town/Village] as to the potential impact of the proposed ordinance by contacting the chamber of commerce, social media posting, direct mail or direct email, posting on [City/Town/Village] website, public workshop, etc. You may also wish to include efforts made to reduce the potential fiscal impact on businesses. You may also wish to state here that the proposed ordinance is a generally applicable ordinance that applies to all persons similarly situated (individuals as well as businesses) and, therefore, the proposed ordinance does not affect only businesses).