

Business Impact Estimate

Proposed ordinance's title/reference:

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 125 to Add Definitions, Add Sign Exemption and Restriction Clarification, to Strike Temporary Banners and Special Signs from Sec. 125-14 and to Add Sec. 125-25 with Additional Clarification

More specifically:

ORDINANCE O-18-2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 125, SEC. 125-2. DEFINITIONS. OF THE CITY CODE TO ADD DEFINITIONS RELATED TO SIGNS; CHAPTER 125, SEC. 125-10. EXEMPT SIGNS. OF THE CITY CODE TO SIMPLIFY AND CLARIFY SIGN EXEMPTIONS; CHAPTER 125, SEC. 125-14. SIGN RESTRICTIONS. TO CLARIFY SIGN RESTRICTIONS AND TO STRIKE TEMPORARY BANNERS AND SPECIAL SIGNS FROM THIS SECTION; AND TO ADD UNDER CHAPTER 125, SEC. 125-25. TEMPORARY, SPECIAL, AND ADVERTISING SIGNS AND DISPLAYS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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 of Green Cove Springs is of the view that a business impact estimate is not required by state law¹ for the proposed ordinance, but the City 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 hereby publishes the following information:

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

This ordinance provides clarification around signage within Green Cove Springs for both temporary and permanent signage. Clarification on temporary signage was requested by a Green Cove Springs business owner. The public purpose of this ordinance is for all residents and business owners to have a better understanding of the Code which regulates signage.

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

2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the City, 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 regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

It is not anticipated that this ordinance will create any direct economic impact to businesses in Green Cove Springs, beyond a positive economic input due to the clarification around temporary signage now clearly permitting temporary signs. This ordinance does not alter any existing permitting practices, and as such, staff does not anticipate any changes to the City's regulatory costs.

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

All.

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

N/A.