

TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH AGENDA MEMORANDUM

MEETING TYPE: Town Commission Meeting

MEETING DATE July 18, 2023

SUBMITTED BY: Matt Welhaf, Assistant Fire Chief

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH, FLORIDA,

ADOPTING THE CURRENT EDITION OF THE FLORIDA FIRE PREVENTION CODE AND PROVIDING FOR LOCAL AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CODIFICATION; AND

PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SUMMARY:

The Town is in the process of adopting an update to our local fire prevention ordinance. Pursuant to Chapter 633, Florida Statutes, every three years the State Fire Marshal adopts an updated Florida Fire Prevention Code, which establishes the statewide minimum fire safety code and incorporates Florida editions of the National Fire Protection Association's Fire Code (NFPA 1 Fire Code) and Life Safety Code (NFPA 101 Life Safety Code).

The Florida Fire Prevention Code adopted by the State Fire Marshal shall be deemed adopted by, and shall be enforced by, local governments with fire safety responsibilities as the minimum fire safety code. Local governments are authorized to adopt more stringent local amendments to the Florida Fire Prevention Code, which strengthen the requirements of the minimum fire safety code.

Attached are the proposed local amendments for the Town of Highland Beach to the Florida Fire Prevention Code, which were prepared by Town Staff and the Fire Marshal.

The ordinance is before the Commission for introduction and discussion. The first reading is scheduled for August 1st, 2023. Based upon approval of the first reading, the ordinance will then be advertised in accordance with Florida statutes and presented to the Commission for second read/final adoption on August 15th, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT:	
N/A	

ATTACHMENTS:

Proposed Ordinance

Town of Highland Beach Local Amendments to the Florida Fire Prevention Code

RECOMMENDATION:

Commission discussion.