



TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

MEETING TYPE: Town Commission Meeting

MEETING DATE March 1, 2022

SUBMITTED BY: Ingrid Allen, Town Planner, Building Department

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 25, "STREETS, SIDEWALKS, BICYCLE/WALKWAY PATHS, AND RIGHT-OF-WAY," IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE OBSOLETE PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO NEWSRACKS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SUMMARY:

At the March 2, 2021 Town Commission meeting, an introduction item regarding a revised right-of-way Ordinance triggered a brief discussion among the Commission as to why the Town needs newsracks. The proposed right-of-way Ordinance included (for formatting purposes) the renumbering of the current newsrack regulations found in Chapter 25 of the Town Code of Ordinances. These newsrack regulations have been part of the Town Code of Ordinances since 1972 and have not been amended since then. Consensus from the Town Commission was to "prohibit" newsracks given there is no longer a need for them. At the November 9, 2021 Town Commission meeting which was the first reading of the right-of-way Ordinance, Commission discussion included "removing" the newsracks. The proposed Ordinance is in line with the Commission's latter discussion which is to eliminate the newsrack provisions including newsrack-related definitions from the Town Code. If the Town Commission's intent is to outright prohibit newsracks, staff will make the necessary changes to the Ordinance upon Commission direction.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

Proposed Ordinance

RECOMMENDATION:

At the discretion of the Commission.