

STAFF REPORT REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA DATE: June 30, 2026

DEPARTMENT: Enter Text Here

TITLE:

Ordinance No. 2026-08 – Second Reading – amending Chapter 14 Business Tax Receipts and Business Regulations, Article I Local Business Tax Receipt (BTR) and Article II Use and Occupancy Certificate and the General Regulation of Businesses

SUMMARY:

Ordinances proposed amendments to Chapter 14 – Business Tax Receipts and Business Regulations to address issues raised at the May 7, 2026 Code Compliance City Commission Workshop meeting.

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:

On May 7, 2026, the City Commission held a special workshop to discuss Code Compliance and issues related to improving and encouraging investment with the City of Lake Worth Beach. The proposed ordinance provides for amendments to Chapter 14 Business Tax Receipts and Business Regulations of the City's Code of Ordinances to address the following areas:

1. Amends language to allow for commercial tenants to obtain business licenses to be issued when there are landlord issues related to meeting all of the requirements of applicable laws and ordinance including existing code violations.
2. Expands the non-rental affidavit provision to cover commercial properties.
3. Removes the requirements that a business license must be in place prior to City Utility Services being provide, otherwise known as the "No Business License, No Utilities" provision.
4. Provides for use & occupancy inspections from the public rights of way for all properties being issued a business license.
5. Modifies application requirements and when application and re-inspection fees are to be paid.

At its meeting of June 16, 2026, the City Commission voted 4-0 to approve the proposed ordinance with a series of changes that are included in the revised ordinance that is attached and to schedule the second reading.

MOTION:

Move to approve/disapprove Ordinance No. 2026-08 on second reading.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Fiscal Impact Analysis – N/A
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