


Levy County Board of County Commissioners
Section 125.66(3), F.S. - Business Impact Estimate for Proposed Ordinance
For public hearing ON OR AFTER October 1, 2024

Instructions: This form must be completed and signed by the County Manager or Department Head for each proposed ordinance that is placed on a County Commission meeting agenda. If the proposed ordinance falls within one of the exemptions listed below, check the applicable exemption(s) and stop there. If the proposed ordinance does NOT fall within one of the listed exemptions, then complete the Business Impact Estimate. Please email your completed, signed form to the County Attorney's Office (Langston-Lynne@levycounty.org), so that it can be posted on the county's website no later than the date the notice of the public hearing is published. If you have questions regarding completion of this form, contact the County Attorney's Office.

I am familiar with the proposed ordinance identified below and completed this form to the best of my knowledge for the sole purpose of compliance with Section 125.66(3), Florida Statutes.



Bernard Cox III, Levy County Building Official
Date: 3-6-2025

Proposed Ordinance Number and Title: ORDINANCE NUMBER 2025-3

AN ORDINANCE OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA RELATING TO THE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT; BY REPEALING OBSOLETE CODE PROVISIONS; BY AMENDING APPENDIX B "SCHEDULE OF FEES, RATES AND CHARGES"; BY AMENDING SECTION 50-718 TO TRANSFER AUTHORITY FOR PERMITTING TEMPORARY EXCAVATION AND FILL ACTIVITY FROM THE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING DIRECTIONS TO THE CLERK AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exemptions: Per Section 125.66(3)(c), F.S., the following types of ordinances are exempt from the Business Impact Estimate requirement (check the box for any exemption that applies):

- Ordinance required for compliance with the following Federal or State law or regulation: _____;
- Ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- Ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- Ordinance is required to implement the following contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant, or other financial assistance accepted by the County: _____;
- Emergency ordinance;
- Ordinance relates to procurement; or
- Ordinance enacted to implement the following:
 - a. Development orders (which are defined in s. 163.3164, F.S. to mean any order granting, denying, or granting with conditions an application for a development permit); and Development permits (which are defined in s. 136.3164, F.S. to include any building permit,

zoning permit, subdivision approval, rezoning, certification, special exception, variance, or any other official action of local government having the effect of permitting the development of land); and Development Agreements as authorized by the Florida Local Government Development Agreement Act under ss. 163.3220-163.3243;

- b. Comprehensive plan amendments and land development regulation amendments initiated by an application by a private party other than the County;
- c. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, F.S. regarding community development districts;
- d. Section 553.73, F.S. relating to the Florida Building Code; or
- e. Section 633.202, F.S. relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

Business Impact Estimate

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance, including a statement of the public purpose (such as serving the public health, safety, morals, and welfare): This Ordinance serves a public purpose by updating permit fees to be reasonably reflective of the County time/resources necessary for issuance of those permits; simplifies regulations by deleting obsolete code provisions; and transfers a temporary use permit process (and associated fee) to the correct County Department

2. Estimate of direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the County, including:

(a) Estimate of the direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur: varies depending on the permit the business is seeking.

(b) Any new charge or fee imposed on businesses: This Ordinance updates the fee schedule, but does not impose any new fees.

(c) Estimate of the County's regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs: The purpose of this fee schedule update is to appropriately adjust the fees to cover the County's regulatory costs, not to generate excess revenue.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance: The County does not aggregate permit applicant data by "private, for-profit business." A reasonable estimate is that 15% of all permit applications are submitted by "private, for-profit businesses." Therefore, based on approximately 2,400 permits issued by the County last year, with 15% of the applicants being "private, for-profit businesses, the good faith estimate is that this proposed ordinance may impact up to 360 "private, for-profit businesses."

4. Additional information (if any, but may wish to include how you determined the above information. For example: County staff solicited comments from businesses regarding the impact of the proposed ordinance by contacting the chamber of commerce, social media posting, direct mail or direct email, posting on County website, public workshop, etc. You may also include efforts made to reduce the potential fiscal impact on businesses based on feedback from businesses): none.