

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2025-5

AN ORDINANCE OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TO ALLOW PORTABLE SANITATION SERVICES AS A USE IN CERTAIN ZONING DISTRICTS; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING DIRECTIONS TO THE CLERK AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 1, Article VIII of the Florida Constitution and Chapter 125, Florida Statutes, vest the Board of County Commissioners of Levy County, Florida (the "Board") with the authority to adopt county ordinances that are not inconsistent with state general or special law and provide the required procedures to adopt such ordinances;

WHEREAS, in 1990, the Board adopted the Levy County Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, which Plan has been amended through adoption of subsequent ordinances (the "Comprehensive Plan");

WHEREAS, in 1991, the Board adopted the Levy County Land Development Regulations, which Regulations have been amended through adoption of subsequent ordinances now codified as Chapter 50 titled "Land Development Code" of the County Code of Ordinances;

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2025, a private party submitted an application requesting a Land Development Code Text Amendment to allow portable sanitation services as a use in certain zoning districts;

WHEREAS, as required by Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes and Section 50-55 of the Land Development Code, at its Regular Meeting on March 3, 2025, the Levy County Planning Commission reviewed the requested Text Amendment (Petition No. TA 25-01) for consistency with the Comprehensive Plan and recommended approval with revisions to the Board;

WHEREAS, at its Regular Meeting on April 8, 2025, the Board reviewed the recommendations of the Planning Commission and directed the drafting of this ordinance;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 125.66(5)(b), Florida Statutes, notice was given by publication of a first advertisement no less than two columns wide by ten inches long in a newspaper of general circulation notifying the public of this proposed ordinance

 and of a public hearing in the Levy County Government Center in Bronson, Florida, to be held at least seven days after the day the first advertisement was published;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 125.66(5)(b), Florida Statutes, notice was given by publication of a second advertisement no less than two columns wide by ten inches long in a newspaper of general circulation notifying the public of this proposed ordinance and of a second public hearing in the Levy County Government Center in Bronson, Florida, to be held at least five days after the day the second advertisement was published; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 125.66(5)(b), Florida Statutes, the two public hearings were held at least 10 days apart and at least one of the public hearings was held after 5pm or the Board by affirmative vote of 4 Commissioners elected to conduct the hearing at another time of day.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Levy County, Florida, that:

SECTION 1. Section 50-1 of the Land Development Code is amended as set forth below. Except as amended herein, the remainder of Sec. 50-1 remains in full force and effect.

Sec. 50-1. - Definitions.

<u>Portable sanitation services means a business that handles liquid waste associated with the rental, installation and maintenance of portable restrooms, portable handwashing facilities, restroom trailers, shower trailers or portable or stationary holding tanks for domestic wastewater.</u>

SECTION 2. Section 50-700 of the Land Development Code is amended as set forth below. Except as amended herein, the remainder of Sec. 50-700 remains in full force and effect.

Sec. 50-700. – Generally; use table.

Use (reference to code section that contains SE or CU requirements)	F/ RR	A/ R R	R R	R- 1	R- 2	RR 3C	C-1	C-2	C-3	C- 4	1	R M U	P F	RE C	NR - CO N
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Portable Sanitation Services (50-732)									<u>cu</u>	<u>CU</u>	<u>CU</u>				

SECTION 3. A new Sec. 50-732 is created and added to the list of Conditional Uses in the Levy County Land Development Code.

Sec. 50-732. - Portable Sanitation Services.

(1) Portable sanitation services must maintain an annual permit from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and/or County Health Department as required by Rule 62-6.0101, Florida Administrative Code. Any on-site storage or disposal of domestic wastewater must comply with all federal, state, and local regulations and must maintain all necessary permits for such operations.

(2) Primary access must be directly onto a paved county, state or federal road with a minimum functional classification of minor collector.

(3) Entrance and exit driveways and parking spaces shall be paved. A maximum of two driveway connections are allowed, if permitted by the County Road Department or Florida Department of Transportation.

(4) If adjacent to any property that contains a residential dwelling, a visual barrier (refer to sec. 50-775) must be provided along that property line and must be designed and constructed to visually screen the outdoor storage of any portable restrooms or handwashing facilities, restroom or shower trailers, storage tanks or related equipment. Outdoor storage cannot exceed the allowed height of the visual barrier.

SECTION 4. **Inclusion in the Code**. The provisions of Sections 1 through 3 of this Ordinance shall be made a part of the Levy County Code, and the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the word "Ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," "regulation," or other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish the codification.

SECTION 5. **Severability Clause**. It is declared to be the intent of the Board that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, portion or provision of this Ordinance is for any reason declared or held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, portion or provision shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be not affected by such declaration or holding.

SECTION 6. Repealing Clause. All ordinances or parts of ordinances and all resolutions or parts of resolutions of Levy County in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

1	SECTION 7. Effective Date. In acco	rdance with Section 125.66, Florida Statutes, the
2	Clerk to the Board of County Commis	ssioners is directed to file this ordinance with the
3	Florida Department of State within 1	0 days after adoption and upon such filing, this
4	ordinance shall become effective.	
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6	APPROVED ON FIRST READING on	August 19, 2025.
7	ADOPTED AT SECOND READING or	September 2, 2025.
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9		BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
10		OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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17	Southly Commissioners	
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19	Matt Brooks	Approved as to form and legal sufficiency
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