

TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-50

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, ADOPTING BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE TOWN'S BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 200.065, Florida Statutes, on September 18, 2023, the Town Council of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves (the "Town") adopted Resolution No. 2024-73 approving the Fiscal Year 2024- 2025 Budget; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 166.241(5), Florida Statutes, the Town may amend its adopted budget for the Fiscal Years beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025, at any time within a fiscal year, within 60 days following the end of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Town has incurred legal expenses substantially in excess of the amount budgeted for such services and needs to pull additional revenues from general fund reserves to cover incurred and anticipated legal expenses for the remainder of the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025, and is recommending amendments to the Town's budgets as set forth in **Exhibit "A"** hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to employ as Town Employees a full time Town Attorney and paralegal to stabilize the current and future costs associated with needed legal services; and

WHEREAS, the Town had budgeted 9 full time employees and 4 part time employees in its general fund for Fiscal year 2024-25 and to increase efficiency has modified its delivery of planning, building and code enforcement services under a community standards department altering the composition of general fund employees to include 10 full time employees and 3 part time employees; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds it is in the best interest of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves and its residents to adopt this Resolution.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing “WHEREAS” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2. The Town’s adopted budgets for the Fiscal Years beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025, is hereby amended as set forth in **Exhibit “A”** attached hereto and expressly made a part hereof.

Section 3. The Town’s number of general fund full time employees shall be increased to 12 employees including a Town Attorney, Paralegal, Community Standards Director, Code Compliance Officer and Permit Technician.

Section 4. If any clause, section, or other part of this Resolution shall be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such unconstitutional or invalid part shall be considered as eliminated and shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution.

Section 5. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 6. This Resolution shall be retroactively effective to October 1, 2024, upon its passage and adoption.

Councilmember _____ offered the foregoing resolution. Councilmember _____ seconded the motion, and upon being put to a vote, the Resolution was hereby:

ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, THIS ___ DAY OF _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

**TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES,
FLORIDA**

Valerie Oakes, Town Clerk

Voted:
Mayor Anita Kane, Seat 3

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

Voted:
Vice Mayor Margaret Herzog, Seat 5

Office of the Town Attorney

Voted:
Councilmember Todd McLendon, Seat 1

Voted:
Councilmember Lisa El-Ramey, Seat 2

Voted:
Councilmember Paul Coleman II, Seat 4