

155 F Road Loxahatchee Groves, FL 33470

Agenda Item #1

TO: Town Council of Town of Loxahatchee Groves

FROM: Francine L. Ramaglia, Town Manager

DATE: June 10, 2023

SUBJECT: Discussion of the Recreational Vehicle Program

Background:

The Town of Loxahatchee Groves recognizes the need for temporary recreational vehicle (RV) use and storage, as evidenced by the following rules and regulations governing RVs which will be discussed:

Unoccupied RVs/Storage: Section 20-010 of the Town's Unified Land Development Code (ULDC), states that a maximum of two recreational vehicles may be stored on premises, provided that the vehicles are routinely operated/maintained by a permanent, full-time resident of the property and are not located in any required setbacks, easements, or rights-of-way.

Occupied RVs: Section 20-050 of the Town's ULDC sets forth the Town's "Recreational Vehicle Parking Program" (RVPP) which allows a permit for temporary RV parking for living and sleeping purposes within set limits, provided there are no pending Town code violations and subject to conditions including but not limited to inspections.

A number of issues and concerns have arisen including but not limited to the lack of compliance with our existing RV registration program. There appears to be a demonstrated demand for extended/expanded use of RVs not provided for in our code. For instance, we need to determine how RVs are being used for not only rentals (seasonal and annually), family members/generational living options, on-site employees, groom's quarters, and other similar uses.

This workshop is intended to provide an opportunity not only for Council to discuss issues relative to RVs in Town but for residents to engage with Council, to ask questions about the RV program and discuss potential improvements for the future of the program. We hope to:

- Identify & solicit input about what is working and what is not working from residents, staff (code, building, public works, etc.), and Council.
- Identify residents' needs and actual current uses.
- Address critical issues for the Town to address inviting workable solutions from residents.

The following information is attached as reference material for the discussion and has been provided to residents via US mail, social media, and our website:



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- Current regulations and required application form with instructions.
- State regulations concerning RV parks and recreational camps (5 or more) as these are licensed annually by the Department of Health pursuant to Chapter 513, Florida Statutes and Chapter 64E-15, Florida Administrative Code.

Recommendations:

Discuss and give directions to staff.