



Business Impact Estimate

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with Florida Statutes Section 166.041(4).

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO FUND COSTS INCURRED BY THE CITY IN ABATING NUISANCE CONDITIONS OF EXCESSIVE GROWTH OF GRASS AND NUISANCE WEEDS ON DEVELOPED LOTS, AND HAZARDOUS TREES AND ACCUMULATION OF DEBRIS ON ANY LOT; AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, CHAPTER 42 – NUISANCES, ARTICLE II – LOT CLEARING, TO CREATE SECTION 42-27; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance

The proposed ordinance would amend Chapter 42 of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, as follows:

- Creates a new section (Section 42-27) enabling the City to levy a non-ad valorem assessment against lots for code enforcement liens that are not timely paid for the actual cost of abatement for hazardous trees, excessive growth of grass and nuisance weeds, and accumulation of debris;
- Provides the process by which non-ad valorem assessments will be levied.

Adoption of the proposed amendment will expand the methods by which the City may collect unpaid Code Enforcement liens to recover actual costs to the City for abatement of certain nuisance violations. The ability to levy non-ad valorem assessments would reduce the burden on the taxpayers by more efficiently and effectively recovering expenses from property owners with outstanding nuisance abatement liens.

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

- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur if the ordinance is enacted;

(b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and

(c) An estimate of the City's regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

This proposed ordinance has no direct economic impact on private, for-profit businesses in the City.

3. **The City's good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance.**

This proposed ordinance imposes no new charges or fees on businesses.

4. **Additional information the governing body deems useful, if any**

None.