



# City of North Port

## ORDINANCE NO. 2020-13

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, SECTION 4-151 REGARDING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, section 5.06 of the Charter of the City of North Port provides that the City Commission may appoint advisory boards and committees composed of citizens qualified to act in an advisory capacity to the City Commission, the City Manager or to any department of the City government, with respect to the conduct and management of any property or institution or the exercise of any public function of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission has utilized this authority over time to create a variety of citizen advisory boards to assist it in the development of policies and in other initiatives to improve the City for its citizens and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 4, Article VI of the Code of the City of North Port establishes and regulates the Community Economic Development Advisory Board, including the structure of its membership; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission has determined that the proposed amendments serve the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of North Port, Florida.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA:**

**SECTION 1 – FINDINGS**

1.01 The recitals outlined above are incorporated by reference as findings of fact as if expressly set forth herein.

**SECTION 2 – ADOPTION**

2.01 The City Commission hereby approves and adopts the following amendments to the Code of the City of North Port, Florida:

**“Chapter 4 – BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

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40 **ARTICLE VI. – COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD**

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42 **Sec. 4-151. - Membership.**

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44 The community economic development advisory board shall consist of up to 11 regular members  
45 representing the following categories comprised of:

- 46 ~~(1) — Financial services.~~
- 47 ~~(2) — Real estate.~~
- 48 ~~(3) — Medical and health care.~~
- 49 ~~(4) — Development, engineering or planning.~~
- 50 ~~(5) — Higher education/school board member.~~
- 51 ~~(6) — Homeowners' association board member.~~
- 52 ~~(7) — Tourism.~~
- 53 ~~(8) — Diversified light industrial/manufacturing.~~
- 54 ~~(9) — Public relations.~~
- 55 ~~(10) — Land use attorney.~~
- 56 ~~(11) — North Port resident with no business or specific organizational affiliation.~~

57 (1) No more than two members from each of the following categories:

- 58 (a) Financial services;
- 59 (b) Real estate; and
- 60 (c) North Port resident.

61 (2) No more than one member from each of the following categories:

- 62 (a) Medical and health care;
- 63 (b) Development, engineering, or planning;
- 64 (c) Higher education or unelected school board representative;
- 65 (d) Tourism, sports, or entertainment;
- 66 (e) Diversified light industrial/manufacturing;
- 67 (f) Public relations; and
- 68 (g) Land use attorney.

69 ~~A North Port City Commissioner shall serve as an ex officio member, with no voting rights.~~

70 ~~A~~An unelected Sarasota County ~~Commissioner~~ representative may serve as an ex officio non-  
71 voting member.

72 There shall be no alternate members.”

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74 **SECTION 3 – CONFLICTS**

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76 3.01 In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this ordinance and any other ordinance or  
77 provisions thereof, the provisions of this ordinance shall prevail to the extent of such conflict.

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79 **SECTION 4 – SEVERABILITY**

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81 4.01 If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phase, or provision of this ordinance is for any reason  
82 held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be  
83 deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the  
84 validity of the remaining portions hereof.

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86 **SECTION 5 – CODIFICATION**

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88 5.01 In this ordinance, additions are shown as underlined and deletions as ~~strikethrough~~. These  
89 editorial notations shall not appear in the codified text.

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91 **SECTION 6 – EFFECTIVE DATE**

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93 6.01 This ordinance shall take effect immediately after adoption by the City Commission of the City of  
94 North Port, Florida.

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97 READ BY TITLE ONLY at first reading by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, in public  
98 session on the 3rd day of March 2020.

99 PASSED and DULY ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, on the second and  
100 final reading in public session this 24th day of March 2020.

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102 CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

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106 DEBBIE MCDOWELL  
107 MAYOR

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109 ATTEST

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113 HEATHER TAYLOR, CMC  
114 INTERIM CITY CLERK

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117 APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS  
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121 AMBER L. SLAYTON  
122 CITY ATTORNEY