



# City of North Port

## ORDINANCE NO. 2019-50

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, TO BRING MEETING NOTICE AND ADVERTISEMENT REQUIREMENTS OF THE FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT INTO CONFORMITY WITH FLORIDA STATUTES, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 66 – SPECIAL DISTRICTS, ARTICLE II – NORTH PORT FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT, SECTION 66-33 – MEETINGS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

1 **WHEREAS**, Chapter 189, Florida Statutes, entitled the “Uniform Special District Accountability Act,”  
2 authorizes the City of North Port to create and operate Dependent Special Districts within its municipal  
3 boundary lines; and  
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5 **WHEREAS**, the City Commission has utilized this authority to create the North Port Fire Rescue District;  
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8 **WHEREAS**, the North Port Fire Rescue District is provided for in Chapter 66, Article II, of the Code of the  
9 City of North Port, Florida (the “Code”); and  
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11 **WHEREAS**, Section 189.015, Florida Statutes, entitled “meetings; notice; required reports,” provides  
12 certain filing, notice, and advertisement requirements for the governing body of each special district; and  
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14 **WHEREAS**, the City Commission desires to amend Section 66-33 of the Code, entitled “Meetings,” to  
15 provide consistency with Section 189.015, Florida Statutes; and  
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17 **WHEREAS**, the City Commission has determined that the proposed amendments serve the public health,  
18 safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of North Port, Florida.  
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20 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA:**  
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### 22 **SECTION 1 – FINDINGS**

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24 1.01 The recitals outlined above are incorporated by reference as findings of fact as if expressly set  
25 forth herein.  
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27 **SECTION 2 – ADOPTION**

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29 2.01 The City Commission hereby approves and adopts the following amendments to the Code of the  
30 City of North Port, Florida:

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32 **“Chapter 66 – SPECIAL DISTRICTS**

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34 **ARTICLE II. – NORTH PORT FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT**

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36 **Sec. 66-33. – Meetings.**

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38 (a) The Board shall govern itself as set forth in F.S. chs. 119, 189 and 286.

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40 (b) The Board shall schedule and convene regular public meetings, ~~pursuant to~~ in accordance  
41 with F.S. § 189.417 189.015, as may be amended from time to time. The schedule of the  
42 District’s regular meetings, which shall include the date, time, and location of each scheduled  
43 meeting, shall be filed with the City Clerk and the schedule shall be published quarterly,  
44 semiannually, or annually in a newspaper of general circulation. Notice of the District’s  
45 regular meetings not annotated on the schedule, other than emergency or recessed  
46 meetings, shall be advertised at least seven days prior to such meetings, in a newspaper of  
47 general circulation. Emergency meetings may be convened after reasonable notice has been  
48 given in the same manner in which such meetings are called by the City Commission.”

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50 **SECTION 3 – CONFLICTS**

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52 3.01 In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this ordinance and any other ordinance or  
53 provisions thereof, the provisions of this ordinance shall prevail to the extent of such conflict.

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55 **SECTION 4 – SEVERABILITY**

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57 4.01 If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phase, or provision of this ordinance is for any reason  
58 held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be  
59 deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the  
60 validity of the remaining portions hereof.

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62 **SECTION 5 – CODIFICATION**

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64 5.01 In this ordinance, additions are shown as underlined and deletions as ~~strikethrough~~. Any  
65 additional codification information and notations appear in *italics*. These editorial notations shall  
66 not appear in the codified text.

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68 **SECTION 6 – EFFECTIVE DATE**

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70 6.01 This ordinance shall take effect immediately after adoption by the City Commission of the City of  
71 North Port, Florida.

READ BY TITLE ONLY at first reading by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, in public session on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2019.

PASSED and DULY ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, on the second and final reading in public session this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2019.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

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MAYOR

ATTEST

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HEATHER TAYLOR, CMC  
INTERIM CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS

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AMBER L. SLAYTON  
CITY ATTORNEY