



## **Business Impact Estimate**

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

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-49**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, CALLING FOR A REFERENDUM QUESTION TO BE PLACED BEFORE THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA AT THE MAY 13, 2025 SPECIAL ELECTION; PROVIDING A REFERENDUM QUESTION DETERMINING WHETHER TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER TO REMOVE THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CITY CLERK AND CITY ATTORNEY POSITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT; PROVIDING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE NEW CHARTER LANGUAGE IF THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT IS APPROVED; PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE SARASOTA COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT; PROVIDING FOR FILING WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE IF THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT IS APPROVED; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### **1. Summary of the proposed ordinance**

This proposed ordinance would amend Section 10.01 City Clerk Appointment and Qualifications and Section 12.01 City Attorney Appointment and Qualifications to remove requirements that the City Clerk and City Attorney reside within the City of North Port.

The public purpose of this proposed ordinance is to remove current residency restrictions which limit the potential candidate pool for the City Clerk and City Attorney positions by excluding qualified candidates that may not live within the City but reside within our region and are able to commute daily to the City.

#### **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 will not result in any 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**

None. This proposed ordinance does not impose any new charge or fee on businesses.

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

None. This ordinance has no direct impact on businesses.