



Business Impact Estimate

Proposed Ordinance Title:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA; AMENDING ALACHUA COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 24 ON CODES ENFORCEMENT; EXPANDING JURISDICTION; AMENDING SECTION 24.14 ON CODE ENFORCEMENT CITATIONS PROCEDURES; AMENDING SECTION 24.24 REGARDING NOTICES; PROVIDING FOR MODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR THE ORDINANCE TO BE LIBERALLY CONSTRUCTED; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with section 125.66(3), Florida Statutes. If one or more boxes are checked below, this means Alachua County is of the opinion that a business impact estimate is not required by state law¹ for the proposed ordinance and no additional information is provided on the following pages. This Business Impact Estimate may be revised following its initial posting.

Choose applicable exemption box(s) if the proposed ordinance:

- is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation.
- relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt.
- relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget.
- is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the municipal government.
- is an emergency ordinance.
- relates to procurement.
- is enacted to implement any of the following:
 - a. Development orders and development permits as authorized by the Florida Local Government Development Agreement Act in ss. 163.3220 - 163.3243.
 - b. Comprehensive Plan Amendments or land development regulation amendments initiated by an application by a private party other than the County.
 - c. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
 - d. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code;
 - e. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

¹ See Section 125.66(3)(c), Florida Statutes.

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals and welfare):

The County utilizes citations and a special magistrate code enforcement hearing process to obtain compliance of a violation of the Alachua County Code, including its land development regulations. The proposed ordinance will update sections of Alachua County Code regarding Code Enforcement to provide clarity and updates to be consistent with Florida law and County practices. The proposed ordinance providing clarity on issuing and delivering citations and providing notices. The ordinance also expands jurisdiction of code enforcement by the County in the city limits of the City of Hawthorne and any other municipality that enters into an interlocal agreement with the County for code enforcement services. The public purposes as stated in the proposed ordinance are to assist with the enforcement of the Alachua County Code.

2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in Alachua County, if any:

- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;
- (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 County's regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

- (a) No direct costs for businesses.
- (b) No new charges or fees.
- (c) No financial impact.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance:

The proposed ordinance only applies to violators of the Alachua County Code. Therefore the number of businesses likely to be impacted is dependent on the number of business who are violators of the Alachua County Code.

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

None.