

**TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA  
BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-17**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 14 "CODE ENFORCEMENT" OF ITS CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADOPTING ARTICLE I "IN GENERAL" TO INCLUDE EXISTING SECTIONS 14-1 THROUGH 14-4, AND BY ADOPTING ARTICLE II "CIVIL CITATION PROCEDURES" TO PROVIDE CITATION PROCEDURES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with Section 166.041(4), *Florida Statutes*. If one or more boxes are checked below, this means the Town of Loxahatchee Groves is of the view that a business impact estimate is not required by state law<sup>1</sup> for the proposed ordinance. This Business Impact Estimate may be revised following its initial posting.

- The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- The proposed ordinance 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;
- The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- The ordinance relates to procurement; or
- The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement the following:
  - a. Development orders and development permits, as those terms are defined in s. 163.3164, and development agreements, as authorized by the Florida Local Government Development Agreement Act under ss. 163.3220-163.3243;
  - b. Comprehensive plan amendments and land development regulation amendments initiated by an application by a private party other than the municipality;
  - 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*; or
  - e. Section 633.202, *Florida Statutes*, relating to the *Florida Fire Prevention Code*.

In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, even notwithstanding the fact that an exemption noted above may apply, the Town of Loxahatchee Groves hereby publishes the following information:

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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 ordinance provides for the issuance of civil citations to enforce violations of the Town's Code of Ordinances (Code) and the Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) as authorized by the state statute. The purpose of the ordinance is to enhance public health, safety, morals and welfare by enforcing the Town's Code and ULDC.

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

- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;

None.

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

None

- (c) An estimate of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

It is estimated that approximately \$10,000 in costs will be offset by the inequivalent receipt of charges incurred by code violators.

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

None

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

None