



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE

Rev: 3 | Date: 4/08/2025

Proposed Ordinance's Title Summary:

Ordinance Amending Chapter 15, Article X, Vacation Rentals, to Clarify Enforcement Authority; Revise Certificate of Compliance, Suspension, and Penalty Provisions; Establish Inspection Access Requirements; Preserve Enforcement Following Ownership or Entity Changes; and Enhance Administrative Enforcement - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

CAM#: 26-0706 Meeting Date: 8/18/2026

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Department Director/Designee Name

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City Attorney/Designee Name

Signature

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This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with Section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes. If one or more statements in the section below apply, a Business Impact Estimate is not required by state law for the proposed ordinance.

- ☐ 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 city;
- ☐ 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

The provisions as indicated above constitute exemptions as provided in Section 166.041(4)(c), Florida Statutes. Should any such exemption be applicable, then the provisions found in Section A below are not applicable.



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Section A

1. **Summary of the proposed ordinance, to include the public purpose to be served by the proposed ordinance, such as serving the public health, safety, morals, and welfare of the City.**

The proposed ordinance amends Chapter 15, Article X, Vacation Rentals, to clarify enforcement authority, strengthen administrative provisions, and improve compliance with the City's Vacation Rental Program. The amendments enhance the City's ability to effectively administer and enforce existing regulations, promote consistent application of the ordinance, and protect the health, safety, welfare, and quality of life of residents and visitors.

2. **Estimate of direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the City.**

- a. **Estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur if the ordinance is enacted.**

Businesses operating in compliance with the City's Vacation Rental Program are not expected to incur significant additional compliance costs. Costs may be incurred only by operators who fail to comply with the ordinance or who must correct existing violations.

- b. **Identification of any new charge or fee on businesses subject to the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible.**

The proposed ordinance does not establish any new registration fees or administrative charges. It revises certain enforcement provisions, including civil penalties applicable to non-compliant vacation rental operators.

- c. **An estimate of the City's regulatory costs, including an estimate of revenues from any new charges or fees that will be imposed on businesses to cover such costs.**

The proposed ordinance is not anticipated to increase the City's regulatory costs and does not establish any new fees to recover regulatory expenses.

3. **Good faith estimates of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance.**

The proposed ordinance may impact all vacation rental operators subject to Chapter 15, Article X. As of May 29, 2026, the City had approximately 1,514 registered vacation rental properties.

4. **Any additional information the City may deem to be useful.**

If adopted, the ordinance will become effective thirty (30) days after adoption. During the implementation period, the City will notify registered vacation rental operators of the amendments and provide outreach to promote voluntary compliance.