



Business Impact Estimate

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, APPENDIX A – CITY FEE STRUCTURE; AMENDING CITY-WIDE FEES, PARKS AND RECREATION FEES; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance

This proposed ordinance would amend, or update, the Parks & Recreation Department’s fee structure. Changes in Section H of Appendix A include adding the option of an annual pass purchase for Warm Mineral Springs Park based upon defined residency requirements. Changes in Section I of Appendix A include adding the rental rate to facilitate the continued operations of the North Port Senior Center at the previously negotiated lease rate. The public purpose of this proposed ordinance is to partially offset the operational costs of the Parks & Recreation Department by charging user fees for services.

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 affects patrons of Warm Mineral Springs Park by allowing the option for the user to purchase annual admission passes, fees are based upon residency requirements. Additionally, the North Port Senior Center, LLC will benefit from a change to the fee schedule that allows for the continued operations of the North Port Senior Center at the previously negotiated lease rate.

Updates for Section H

- Add Resident Annual Pass – Warm Mineral Springs Park new fee \$1,125.00
- Add Sarasota County Annual Pass – Warm Mineral Springs Park new fee \$1,600.00
- Add Nonresident Annual Pass – Warm Mineral Springs Park new fee \$2,000.00

Updates for Section I

- Add Senior Center Rental Fee, annual fee \$2,400.00

3. **The City's good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance**

The Parks & Recreation Department estimates that approximately 10 patrons at Warm Mineral Springs Park may be affected by the change in fees for services, based upon fee projections prepared for the Fiscal Year 2027 budget.

The Parks & Recreation Department estimates that there will be no financial impact to the North Port Senior Center, LLC, as the ordinance maintains the same previously negotiated rate.

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

None