



## **BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE<sup>1</sup>**

Date: May 2, 2025

### **I. Proposed Ordinance Title/Reference:**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 16, ARTICLE III (HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND TRUST FUND), OF THE HERNANDO COUNTY CODE; PROVIDING THAT ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR THE STATE HOUSING INITIATIVES PARTNERSHIP (“SHIP”) PROGRAM WILL BE PERFORMED BY THE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR THE CAP AND FINDING OF INSUFFICIENCY REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES; PROVIDING FOR CLARIFICATION OF THE COMPOSITION AND TERM OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (“THE COMMITTEE”) MEMBERSHIP; PROVIDING THAT THE COUNTY SHALL SUPPLY STAFF, ADMINISTRATIVE AND FACILITY SUPPORT FOR THE COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR INCREASED FREQUENCY OF THE COMMITTEE’S REVIEW AND REPORT OF ESTABLISHED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES PERTAINING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE’S RECOMMENDATIONS AND AMENDMENT TO THE LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PLAN (“LHAP”); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

### **II. The Proposed Ordinance xx ☒ does ☐ does not fall under one of the following enumerated exceptions:<sup>2</sup>**

- n/a The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- x The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
- n/a The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- x 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 county government;
- n/a The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- n/a The ordinance relates to procurement; or
- n/a The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement the following:
  - a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
  - b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
  - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
  - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

### **III. Summary of Proposed Ordinance and Statement of Public Purpose to be Served:**

The amended ordinance is necessary because the administrative duties performed under the State Housing Initiative Partnership Program are no longer being performed by Hernando County Housing Authority. To receive its share of the local housing distribution one of the criteria is that Hernando County designates the responsibility for the administration of the local housing assistance plan, which now is Hernando County. The amendment is also needed to set a cap for the allowed fee and clarify the composition and term of the affordable housing advisory committee. The public purpose is for the administration of providing funds for the creation of local housing partnerships, to expand production of and preserve affordable housing, to further the housing element of the local government comprehensive plan specific to affordable housing and to increase housing related employment.

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<sup>1</sup> Business impact statement must be posted on the county's website no later than the date that the legal advertisement of the hearing to consider the proposed ordinance is published.

<sup>2</sup> Fla. Stat. § 125.66(3)(c) (2023).

**IV. Estimate of Direct Economic Impact on Private/For Profit Businesses:**

a. Estimate of Direct Business Compliance Costs:

None. Change in administrative roles

b. New Charges/Fees on Businesses Impacted:

No new charges. Just a change in administrative roles

c. Estimate of Regulatory Costs:

None

**V. Good Faith Estimate of Number of Businesses Likely Impacted:**

None

**VI. Any Additional Information:**

**VII. No Admission or Waiver:** Please be advised that by promulgating this Business Impact Estimate, Hernando County admits neither that Fla. Stat. § 125.66(3) requires the preparation of a business impact estimate for the proposed ordinance, nor that the proposed ordinance, if enacted, can be challenged pursuant to Fla. Stat. § 125.675.