



## **BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE**

Date: June 27, 2025

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

AN ORDINANCE OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING APPENDIX A (ZONING), ARTICLE IV, SECTION 11 (PSF PUBLIC SERVICE FACILITY OVERLAY DISTRICT), SUBSECTION 5, BY ALIGNING OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS WITH STATE REGULATORY AGENCIES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

- ☐ The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
- ☐ 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 county government;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- ☐ The ordinance relates to procurement; or
- ☐ 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 Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) is the primary regulatory authority for construction and demolition (C&D) debris landfills within the State of Florida. The Hernando County Zoning Appendix A, Article IV, Section 11 (PSF Public Service Facility Overlay District), Subsection 5 imposes additional local regulations and inspection requirements. The proposed amendment seeks to reduce these additional regulations and the economic impact on businesses by eliminating the requirement for financial assurance and regulatory fees. The amendment maintains critical oversight requirements for record keeping and compliance inspections to ensure compliance with FDEP and County standards.

<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: The proposed ordinance reduces the economic impact on businesses by eliminating the requirement for financial assurance and regulatory fees.
- a. New Charges/Fees on Businesses Impacted: No charges will be imposed as a result of this amendment.
- b. Estimate of Regulatory Costs: There are no anticipated regulatory costs or revenues from new charges or fees for Hernando County.

**V. Good Faith Estimate of Number of Businesses Likely Impacted:** The proposed ordinance will likely impact, as stated above, one (1) company doing business in Hernando County.

**VI. Any Additional Information:** N/A

**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.