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Good afternoon,

Attached is the acknowledgement letter for Hernando County Ordinance 2026-01.

Thank you,

**David Parrish**

Government Operations Consultant II  
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**From:** Ordinances <ord@hernandoclerk.org>  
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Sender Full Name:	Nienke Osinga
Sender Phone number:	352-754-4201
County Name:	Hernando
Ordinance Number:	2026-01

Thank You,

*Nienke Osinga*

Administrative Services | Administrative Services Clerk I  
Office of Doug Chorvat Jr., Clerk of Circuit Court and Comptroller  
Phone: 352-754-4201 | Email: [ord@hernandoclerk.org](mailto:ord@hernandoclerk.org)



## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE

**RON DESANTIS**  
Governor

**CORD BYRD**  
Secretary of State

January 16, 2026

Doug Chorvat, Jr.  
County Clerk  
Hernando County  
20 North Main Street, Rm. 362  
Brooksville, Florida 34601

Dear Doug Chorvat Jr.,

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 125.66, Florida Statutes, this will acknowledge receipt of your electronic copy of Hernando County Ordinance No. 2026-01, which was filed in this office on January 16, 2025.

Sincerely,

Alexandra Leijon  
Administrative Code and Register Director

AL/dp

**ORDINANCE NO.: 2026-~~9~~<sup>1</sup>**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 20, ARTICLE III (STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING), SECTION 20-45 (CIVIL PENALTIES) OF THE HERNANDO COUNTY CODE; PROVIDING FOR CHANGE IN CIVIL PENALTY AMOUNT FOR VIOLATIONS OF SUBSECTIONS (a) and (d); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County (the County) desires to amend Chapter 20, Article III (Stopping, Standing and Parking), Section 20-45 (Civil Penalties), to change the civil penalty for subsections (a) and (d); and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the County to amend the Hernando County Ordinance as shown herein; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of the public hearing on the matter of amending this ordinance was properly and timely published; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has considered the record of the public hearing.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HERNANDO COUNTY:**

**Section 1.** Chapter 20, Article III (Stopping, Standing and Parking), Section 20-45 (Civil Penalties), of the Hernando County Code is hereby amended as follows:

**Sec. 20-45. - Civil penalties.**

(a.) Any person who stops, parks or stands a vehicle in violation of the terms of section 20-40 or 20-42, but specifically excluding subsection 20-40(a)(9), (13), and (14) shall be deemed to be charged with a noncriminal violation and shall be assessed a civil penalty of ~~eleven dollars (\$11.00).~~ one hundred and one dollars (\$101.00).

(b) Any person who stops, parks or stands a vehicle in violation of the terms of section 20-40 or 20-42 on county right-of-way or other property owned or leased by the county where a no-parking zone is additionally marked by "TOW-AWAY ZONE" signs conforming to the manual and specifications of the Florida Department of Transportation shall be deemed to be charged with a noncriminal violation and shall be assessed a civil penalty of one hundred one dollars (\$101.00).

(c) Any person who stops, parks or stands a vehicle in violation of the terms of section 20-41 shall be deemed to be charged with a noncriminal violation and shall be assessed a civil penalty of one hundred one dollars (\$101.00).

(d) Any person who stops, parks or stands a vehicle in violation of the terms of subsection 20-40(a)(13), regarding parking in any pay-designated parking space without paying the required fee, or subsection 20-40(a)(14), regarding stopping, standing and parking a vehicle in the vicinity of a school entrance, shall be deemed to be charged with a noncriminal violation and shall be assessed a civil penalty of ~~fifty dollars (\$50.00).~~ one hundred and one dollars (\$101.00).

(e) Each day any violation occurs or continues shall be a separate offense.

(f)The amount of any civil penalty specified in this section shall be increased by sixteen dollars (\$16.00) if payment is not received by the county within the described thirty-day period after the parking ticket.

(g)The owner of a vehicle is responsible and liable for payment of any parking ticket violations, except that the owner of a vehicle is not responsible for any parking ticket violations if the vehicle involved was reported as stolen at the time.

**Section 2. Severability.** It is declared to be the intent of the Board of County Commissioners that if any section, subsection, clause, sentence, phrase, or provision of this ordinance is for any reason held unconstitutional or invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

**Section 3. Inclusion in the Code.** It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County, Florida, and it is hereby provided, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of Hernando County, Florida. To this end, the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and that the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or any other appropriate designation.

**Section 4. Conflicting Provisions Repealed.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon receipt of official acknowledgment from the office of the Secretary of State of Florida that this ordinance has been filed with said office.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
HERNANDO COUNTY in Regular Session this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

Attest: Heidi Prause, Deputy Clerk By: Jerry Campbell  
DOUGLAS CHORVAT, JR. JERRY CAMPBELL  
Clerk and Comptroller Chairman

Approved for Form and Legal Sufficiency

Michael Cowan  
County Attorney's Office

