

**BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE**

Meeting Date: June 9, 2026, July 7, 2026

**Proposed Ordinance Title/Reference:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING PALM BEACH COUNTY CODE, SECTION 25-1 PERTAINING TO GARBAGE AND YARD WASTE COLLECTION; AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF “MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE YARD WASTE”; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR CAPTIONS; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Summary of Proposed Ordinance and Statement of Public Purpose to be Served:** The Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners previously adopted the Garbage and Yard Waste Collection Ordinance of Palm Beach County, Florida (Ordinance) to provide for enforcement of violations of certain provisions related to the collection of garbage and yard waste. On February 11, 2026, and April 8, 2026, the Governing Board of the Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County (SWA) awarded Franchise Collection Agreements for the upcoming seven (7) year term with two different levels of service for the maximum allowable yard waste permitted at the collection point. For Service Areas one (1), two (2), four (4) and five (5), the maximum allowable yard waste will be six (6) cubic yards. For Service Area three (3), the maximum allowable yard waste will be twelve (12) cubic yards. The current definition of maximum allowable yard waste in the Ordinance is six (6) cubic yards or less. The Ordinance is being revised to set the maximum allowable yard waste for Service Areas one (1), two (2), four (4) and five (5) at six (6) cubic yards, and for Service Area three (3) at twelve (12) cubic yards. The effective date of the revision is October 1, 2026. There are no other changes to the Ordinance. The Ordinance revision serves the public purpose of aligning the Ordinance with the awarded Franchise Collection Agreements.

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

- a. Estimate of Direct Business Compliance Costs: None.
- b. New Charges/Fees on Businesses Impacted: None.
- c. Estimate of Regulatory Costs: None.

**Good Faith Estimate of Number of Businesses Likely Impacted:** None.

**Any Additional Information:** The proposed Ordinance increases the volume of yard waste that residents may place at collection points within SWA’s Service Area three (3). The maximum allowable yard waste provision only applies to residential properties that are assessed for collection services by the SWA. As such, this revision has no effect on businesses.

## INSTRUCTIONS

Before the enactment of a proposed ordinance, the Board of County Commissioners shall prepare or cause to be prepared a business impact estimate in accordance with this section 125.66(3), Florida Statutes.

### Posting

The business impact estimate must be posted on the County's website no later than the date the notice of proposed enactment is published pursuant to section 125.66(2)(a), Florida Statutes.

### Exemptions

The business impact requirement does not apply to the following:

1. Ordinances required for compliance with federal or state law or regulation;
2. Ordinances relating to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
3. Ordinances relating to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
4. Ordinances 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 a county government;
5. Emergency ordinances;
6. Ordinances relating to procurement; or
7. Ordinances enacted to implement the following:
  - a. Development orders and development permits, as those terms are defined in section 163.3164, Florida Statutes, and development agreements, as authorized by the Florida Local Government Development Agreement Act under sections 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;
  - d. Section 553.73, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
  - e. Section 633.202, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

### Resolutions

Resolutions proposed pursuant to a non-exempt ordinance must include a business impact estimate.