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State of Florida Prohibits Internet Cafe's Effective April 10, 2013

On April 10, 2013, Governor Rick Scott signed HB 155, a bill that prohibits Internet Café's in the State of Florida. The bill became effective immediately and applies to both existing and newly proposed Internet Café's. The State prohibition pre-empts local regulatory authority. To ensure compliance, the Palm Beach County Zoning Division will not sign off on any requests for Indoor Entertainment proposed for use as Internet Café's.

To see the exact wording of HB 155, click [here](#).

Prior News Release Zoning in Progress for Internet Café

*****MORATORIUM EXPIRED ON MARCH 29, 2013*****

The BCC has adopted a Zoning in Progress (ZIP) for Internet Café uses, which are typically categorized under the ULDC as Indoor Entertainment. The ZIP is being implemented in order to support a one-year Moratorium that the BCC intends to adopt. Notice is hereby given that Zoning applications and all applicable requests for Zoning approvals, including Business Tax Receipts (BTR), will not be approved until the evaluation and implementation of amended regulations occurs, or upon expiration of the Moratorium.

For key dates and update visit this site periodically.

Date:	Meeting:
December 5, 2012	BCC Hearing, Item 9 – Consideration of options on Internet Café Moratorium presented by Zoning Staff. Vote 6-0 to allow moratorium to expire and defer to the State to regulate.
November 20, 2012	Letter to BCC – Update on Internet Cafe Moratorium
March 22, 2012	BCC Adoption Hearing
February 23, 2012	BCC 1st Reading
January 26, 2012	BCC Request for Permission to Advertise for Public Hearings for Internet Café Moratorium
January 25, 2012	Land Development Regulation Advisory Board/Land Development Regulation Commission (LDRAB/LDRC) – Exhibit B
January 5, 2012	BCC Adoption of Zoning in Progress

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