

Business Impact Estimate

This form should be included in the agenda packet for the item under which the proposed ordinance is to be considered and must be posted on the [City's/Town's/Village's] website by the time notice of the proposed ordinance is published.

Proposed ordinance's title/reference:

ORDINANCE NO. 9817-25

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA MAKING AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 22; ARTICLE 2; BY ADDING SECTION 22.61 TO ADDRESS THE USE OF MOTORIZED BICYCLES, ELECTRIC BICYCLES, HOVERBOARDS, MOTORIZED UNICYCLES, MOTORIZED SCOOTERS AND SIMILAR MOTORIZED DEVICES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes. This Business Impact Estimate may be revised following its initial posting. In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, the City of Clearwater hereby publishes the following information:

1. Summary of the proposed ordinance (must include a statement of the public purpose, such as serving the public health, safety, morals and welfare):

Proposed Ordinance No. 9817-25 will add a new section to the Code of Ordinances which will preclude the use of any ebike, motorized bicycle, hoverboard, unicycle and scooter or similar device, excluding any medically necessary conveyances in, on or through the entirety of Beach Walk excluding those areas specifically designated for vehicular traffic such as parking lots, street rights-of-way, driveways and/or drive aisles. This amendment is the result of public input noting that motorized vehicles have been creating an unsafe environment in our parks and beaches due to the relatively high rate of speed easily achieved by these devices. The prohibition of these devices will result in an increase in patron safety.

2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the [City/Town/Village], if any:

- (a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;**
- (b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and**
- (c) An estimate of the [City's/Town's/Village's] regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.**

Staff believes that there will be no direct compliance cost that any business will incur. There are not charges or fees imposed by the ordinance and it is expected that there will likewise be no regulatory costs nor will there be any revenues of any kind.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance:

Because this ordinance will merely prohibit the use of any ebike, motorized bicycle, hoverboard, unicycle and scooter or similar device, excluding any medically necessary conveyances in, on or through the entirety of Beach Walk excluding those areas specifically designated for vehicular traffic such as parking lots, street rights-of-way, driveways and/or drive aisles staff does not anticipate that any businesses will be impacted by the ordinance. The use of these devices is permitted on trails and within any specifically designated for vehicular traffic such as parking lots, street rights-of-way, driveways and/or drive aisles.

4. Additional information the governing body deems useful (if any):

[You may wish to include in this section the methodology or data used to prepare the Business Impact Estimate. For example: [City/Town/Village] staff solicited comments from businesses in the [City/Town/Village] as to the potential impact of the proposed ordinance by contacting the chamber of commerce, social media posting, direct mail or direct email, posting on [City/Town/Village] website, public workshop, etc. You may also wish to include efforts made to reduce the potential fiscal impact on businesses. You may also wish to state here that the proposed ordinance is a generally applicable ordinance that applies to all persons similarly situated (individuals as well as businesses) and, therefore, the proposed ordinance does not affect only businesses]

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