

Business Impact Estimate

Proposed ordinance's title/reference: Ordinance 25-25, Residential Fill Limitation and Public Utility Easement Protection

This Business Impact Estimate is provided in accordance with section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes.

In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, even notwithstanding the fact that an exemption noted above may apply, the City of Cape Coral 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): Ordinance 25-25 modifies the City of Cape Coral's Land Development Code to provide less restrictive standards on residential properties within the City. In particular, the ordinance allows additional fill to be utilized in single-family and duplex construction projects, allows for the installation of heating, ventilation, and air conditioning equipment in the front of residential properties, and provides for additional development in public utility easements, upon utility provider approval. This proposed ordinance promotes private property rights while ensuring that neighboring properties are protected from nuisances, such as noise and flooding.

2. An estimate of the direct economic impact of the proposed ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the City of Cape Coral, if any:

(a) An estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur;

Businesses will not incur any additional direct compliance costs.

(b) Any new charge or fee imposed by the proposed ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and

No new charges or fees will be imposed by this proposed ordinance.

(c) An estimate of the City of Cape Coral's regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.

No new regulatory costs are associated with this proposed ordinance.

3. Good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the proposed ordinance: Approximately 225 businesses.

4. Additional information the governing body deems useful (if any):
As the proposed ordinance reduces existing restrictions, there will be no increases in costs to homeowners, contractors, or other supporting businesses.