

ORDINANCE NO. C-26-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 11 – CODE ENFORCEMENT, SECTION 11-25. – CIVIL PENALTIES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, TO ESTABLISH CIVIL PENALTIES FOR IMPROPER SOLID WASTE CONTAINER PLACEMENT AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-27(B), OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE; REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCE PROVISIONS, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 11-25 of the Code of Ordinances establishes the City's Chart of Civil Penalties for the enforcement of municipal code violations; and

WHEREAS, the Chart of Civil Penalties provides standardized civil citation amounts and enforcement procedures to ensure consistency and fairness in enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to include improper solid waste container placement, as set forth in Section 24-27(b), within the Chart of Civil Penalties to allow for enforcement through Chapter 11; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that establishing civil penalties for improper solid waste container placement will provide a meaningful deterrent and promote compliance with existing placement requirements; and

WHEREAS, amending Section 11-25 to include improper solid waste container placement will provide a clear, consistent, and enforceable framework aligned with other quality-of-life violations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 11-25. – Civil Penalties, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 11-25. – Civil penalties.

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Code Section	Description of Violation	Civil Penalty		Mandatory Hearing Required?
		Uncontested	Contested	
Florida Building Code, Sec. 105.1	Work Without Permits	\$250.00	\$325.00	Yes
Code of Broward County, Chapter 39	Broward County Zoning	\$150.00	\$225.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 3	Advertising	\$150.00	\$225.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 5	Alcoholic Beverages	\$150.00	\$225.00	Yes
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6 excluding Sec. 6-11	Animals	\$100.00	\$175.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6, Sec. 6-11	Animals	\$150.00	\$225.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 8	Boats, Docks, Beaches and Waterways	\$150.00	\$225.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 9 excluding Sec. 9-276(a) and Sec. 9-328	Minimum Housing	\$200.00	\$275.00	Yes
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of	Unfit for Human Habitation	\$250.00	\$325.00	Yes

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Ordinances, Chapter 9, Sec. 9-276(a)				
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 9, Sec. 9-328	Vacant/Unsecured	\$250.00	\$325.00	Yes
Florida Fire Prevention Code	Fire Prevention and Protection	\$200.00	\$275.00	Yes
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 15	Business Tax	\$150.00	\$225.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 17	Noise Control	\$250.00	\$325.00	Yes
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18	Nuisances	\$250.00	\$325.00	Yes
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 23	Solicitors, Peddlers, Etc.	\$150.00	\$225.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 24 excluding Sec. 24-11 & 24-7	Solid Waste	\$200.00	\$275.00	Yes
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 24, Sec. 24-7	Littering Unlawful Accumulations	\$200.00	\$275.00	Yes
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 24, Sec. 24-11	Construction Sites	\$200.00	\$275.00	Yes

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City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 24, Sec. 24-27(b)	<u>Trash Cart Placement</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>	<u>\$125.00</u>	<u>Yes</u>
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 25	Streets and Sidewalks	\$150.00	\$225.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 26	Traffic	\$150.00	\$225.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 27	Vehicles for Hire	\$150.00	\$225.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 28 excluding Sec. 28-1	Water, Wastewater and Stormwater	\$150.00	\$225.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 28, Sec. 28-1	Water Restrictions	\$50.00	\$125.00	No
City of Fort Lauderdale, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 47	Unified Land Development Regulations	\$150.00	\$225.00	No

SECTION 2. At the direction of the City Attorney, the publisher of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is authorized to conform chapter, article, section, subsection, and clause numbers and letters, and capitalization, set forth in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and to correct any non-substantive scrivener’s errors in the codification of this Ordinance without the need for a public hearing.

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SECTION 3. That if any clause, section or other part of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby, but shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon passage of this ordinance.

PASSED FIRST READING this ____ day of _____, 2026.

PASSED SECOND READING this ____ day of _____, 2026.

Mayor
DEAN TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

City Clerk
DAVID R. SOLOMAN