



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#25-0066

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

DATE: February 4, 2025

TITLE: Second Reading – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 28 – Water, Wastewater, And Stormwater, Sections 28-203, 28-223, 28-231; Creating a New Section 28-251 – Cease and Desist Order and Re-Codifying Sections 25-252 through 28-254 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale - (**Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4**)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve on Second Reading an Ordinance amending Chapter 28 – Water, Wastewater, And Stormwater, Sections 28-203, 28-223, 28-231; Creating a New Section 28-251 – Cease and Desist Order and Re-Codifying Sections 25-252 through 28-254 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Background

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) conducted a Pretreatment Program Audit on May 1, 2024, and noted the current ordinance needed to be amended. In a November 6, 2024, letter (Exhibit 1) FDEP reviewed the proposed ordinance, and it was determined that the revisions satisfied the requirements of Chapter 62-625, Florida Administrative Code.

The proposed ordinance (Exhibit 2) includes the following changes:

- *Sec. 28-203. Administrative* - adding a right to revision clause.
- *Sec. 28-223. Periodic compliance reports* – removing the language, ‘except an NSCIU.’
- *Sec. 28-231. Sample Collection* - removing the language, ‘except in the case of NSCIUs.’
- Adding a new *Sec. 28-251 Cease and Desist Orders*.
- Re-codifying *Sec. 28-251. Pretreatment charges and fees* to *Sec. 28-252. Pretreatment charges and fees*
- Re-codifying *Sec. 28-252 – 28-254. Reserved* to *Sec. 28-253 – 28-254. Reserved*.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a FY 2025 Commission Priority, advancing the Infrastructure and Resilience initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area, Goal 3: Be a sustainable and resilient community

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035* Vision Plan: We Are Ready

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – FDEP November 6, 2024, Letter

Exhibit 2 – Ordinance

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