

ECONOMIC/ BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA; AMENDING ARTICLE II, CHAPTER 2-4, OF THE CODE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA; AMENDING SECTION 2-4-24 TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROHIBITION OF VEHICLES OVER SIX WHEELS ON WESTCHESTER BOULEVARD FROM LOVELAND BOULEVARD EAST TO OAKVIEW DRIVE AND FROM OAKVIEW DRIVE FROM HARBORVIEW ROAD NORTH TO WESTCHESTER BOULEVARD IN CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

PUBLIC PURPOSE:

This ordinance aims to mitigate the presence of large vehicles traversing through residential neighborhoods and directs them to utilize highways intended for their size and traffic volume. Currently, this residential area serves as shortcut for large vehicles, particularly semi-trucks, traveling between Kings Highway and Harborview Rd. Numerous residents, including the River Club of Port Charlotte Homeowners Association, have voiced concerns about the safety hazards posed by these speeding trucks, the excessive noise they generate, and the consequential damage inflicted upon the road infrastructure.

The implementation of this ordinance is intended to alleviate these issues by rerouting large trucks away from residential streets. By doing so, we anticipate a reduction in noise levels, enhanced safety for pedestrians and motorists, and a decrease in road damage caused by these heavy vehicles.

ECONOMIC IMPACT:

(Part A)

- A. *Cost of Implementation of Ordinance: \$960 for regulatory signage*
- B. *Source of Funds/Ultimate Burden of Costs: Greater Port Charlotte Street and Drainage Unit*
- C. *Benefits of Implementation: Safer community, less noise, reduced damage to roadways*

BUSINESS IMPACT:

(Part B)

- D. *Describe data/methods used to make above estimates: Cost of signs, hardware and labor.*
- E. *Estimate of direct compliance costs on affected businesses; identify any new charge or fee: None*
- F. *Estimate of County's regulatory costs, including any new revenue from fees/charges: None*
- G. *Estimate number of businesses likely to be impacted (Contact Economic Development Office -Amanda Benton 941-764-4948): No businesses impacted*
- H. *Describe data/methods used to make above estimate*