

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-XX

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PINELLAS PARK, PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 18, LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, TO ADD A DEFINITION FOR TRANSIT STOP; AMENDING SECTION 18-1502.2 "DEFINITIONS" OF ARTICLE 15, ZONING; PROVIDING FOR THE INCLUSION OF SUCH AMENDED ORDINANCE IN THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PINELLAS PARK, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH TO THE EXTENT OF SUCH CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (LDC-1026-00003, CITY OF PINELLAS PARK)

WHEREAS, pursuant to its police powers to do so and inherent authority, the City of Pinellas Park desires to amend sections of the Land Development Code to add a definition for "Transit Stop" under section 18-1502.2; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment will facilitate more efficient processing of applications by the Planning and Development Services Department in accordance with the Live Local Act; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revision to the Land Development Code is entirely consistent with the historical and current interpretation and administration of the City's Code, without imposing any new burdens or restrictions upon the City's landowners and residents; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission, sitting as the Local Planning Agency, and the City Council for the City of Pinellas Park, Florida have reviewed and held public hearings on said proposed ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PINELLAS PARK, PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That Section 18-1524.5 of Chapter 18, of the Land Development Code of the City of Pinellas Park, Florida is hereby amended so that said section shall include the following new definition in their proper alphabetic sequence:

(E) Words or terms beginning with the letters "T" through "Z":

TRANSIT STOP. A designated location established by the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority, or other public transit providers, for the boarding and debording of passengers from fixed-route transit vehicles. Transit stops may include facilities such as shelters, benches, signage, lighting, and accessibility features in accordance with Florida Department of Transportation Transit Facilities Design Guidelines.

SECTION 2: All other provisions of Chapter 18 of the Code of the City of Pinellas Park not hereby amended shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: The provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Land Development Code of the City of Pinellas Park, Florida, and the publisher of the Code of Ordinances may renumber, reclassify or otherwise insert this Ordinance in an appropriate place to accomplish such intention.

SECTION 4: If a Court of competent jurisdiction at any time finds any provision of this Ordinance to be unlawful, illegal, or unenforceable, the offending provision shall be deemed severable and removed from the remaining provisions of this Ordinance which shall remain in full force and intact.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

PUBLISHED THE _____, DAY OF _____, 2026.

FIRST READING THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2026.

SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2026.

PASSED THIS _____, DAY OF _____, 2026.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED THIS _____, DAY OF _____, 2026.

Sandra L. Bradbury
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Jennifer R. Carfagno, MMC
CITY CLERK

Business Impact Estimate

This form must 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 website by the time notice of the proposed ordinance is published.

Proposed ordinance's title/reference: **Ordinance 2025-XX**

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

If one or more boxes are checked below, this means the City is of the view that a business impact estimate is *not* required by state law¹ for the proposed ordinance, but the City is, nevertheless, providing this Business Impact Estimate as a courtesy and to avoid any procedural issues that could impact the enactment of the proposed ordinance. This Business Impact Estimate may be revised following its initial posting.

- The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the municipal government;
- The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- The ordinance relates to procurement; or
- The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement the following:
 - a. Development orders and development permits, as those terms are defined in Florida Statutes § 163.3164, and development agreements, as authorized by the Florida Local Government Development Agreement Act under Florida Statutes § 163.3220-163.3243;
 - b. Comprehensive plan amendments and land development regulation amendments initiated by an application by a private party other than the City;
 - c. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;

¹ See Section 166.041(4)(c), Florida Statutes.

- d. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
- e. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

In accordance with the provisions of controlling law, even notwithstanding the fact that an exemption noted above may apply, the City 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): This ordinance amends the Land Development Code to add a definition for “transit stop” under Article 15, Zoning. This update is intended to align with the Live Local Act, which references transit stops as defined by local municipalities. As the City currently does not have an established definition, this ordinance formally introduces one.

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

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

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

(c) An estimate of the City’s regulatory costs, including estimated revenues from any new charges or fees to cover such costs.
N/A

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

N/A

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

N/A