

Summary Sheet

Agenda Item: 16.

Meeting Date: August 20, 2025

Subject: Ordinance 2025-114, First Reading, Amending Code of Ordinances Section "Sexual Offender and Sexual Predator, Residence Prohibitions; Penalties, Exceptions" (Brad Mock)

Requested Action: Request to hold public hearing and approve the first reading of Ordinance 2025-114, amending section 14-3 entitled, "Sexual offender and sexual predator, residence prohibition; penalties; exceptions", to clarify restrictions and provide for additional enforcement mechanisms; providing for conflicts; providing for severability; providing for codification; and providing for an effective date; and to set a second reading for September 15, 2025.

Funding Source: Not Applicable.

Strategic Goal: A Family-Friendly Community.

(REQUEST TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING, APPROVE, SET SECOND READING)

Funding Source: Not Applicable

Placement: Public Hearings/Special Meeting Announcements

Attachments: [Ordinance 2025-114](#)
[Business Impact Estimate](#)

Background / Description: In 2005, the City of Coral Springs implemented Chapter 14, which is an ordinance regulating the residency of Sexual Offender and Sexual Predators. This ordinance was established as an attempt to provide clear guidance and restrict the ability of such individuals to relocate within the jurisdictional boundaries of Coral Springs.

Since its adoption, the ordinance has not been revised, and over time, some of its language has become unclear, leading to varying interpretations. This ambiguity poses a risk, as consistent and precise enforcement is critical. Over the past year, we have seen a noticeable increase in inquiries and relocation attempts by registered sex offenders from other cities, many of which directly reference or challenge the existing ordinance. We believe some changes need to be made to ensure legal clarity and strengthen consistency in enforcement. Our Coral Springs Police SVU detectives conducted extensive research, including a review of similar ordinances from multiple jurisdictions. Based on their findings, they have proposed updated language aimed at eliminating confusion and reinforcing the ordinance's intent.

Presenting: Brad Mock

ORDINANCE 2025-114

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL SPRINGS, FLORIDA AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CORAL SPRINGS BY AMENDING SECTION 14-3 ENTITLED, "SEXUAL OFFENDER AND SEXUAL PREDATOR RESIDENCE PROHIBITION; PENALTIES; EXCEPTIONS", TO CLARIFY RESTRICTIONS AND PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Chapter 14, entitled "Sexual Offenders and Sexual Predators", was implemented by the City Commission in 2005 to restrict the ability of certain individuals convicted of sexual related offenses to locate or relocate within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City of Coral Springs and to provide clear guidance as to enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the City's police department has reviewed the Code and has proposed enhancements to the Ordinance, which have been reviewed and approved by both the City Attorney's Office and the Broward County State Attorney's Office; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission accepts the recommendations of the City's police department and finds it to be in the best interests of the citizens of this community to amend Chapter 14.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL SPRINGS, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Ordinance upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. Section 14-3 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Coral Springs entitled, “Sexual Offender and Sexual Predator Residence Prohibition; Penalties; Exceptions”, shall be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 14-3. Sexual offender and sexual predator residence prohibition; penalties; exceptions.

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- (b) It is unlawful for any person who is required to register as a sexual offender or sexual predator (regardless of the offense or conviction date) under the laws of the state, to establish a permanent residence or temporary residence within two thousand five hundred (2,500) feet of any school, designated public school bus stop, childcare facility, family day care home, park, playground or other place where children regularly congregate.

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- (d) Penalties. A person found to be in violation of this section shall be subject to arrest or issued a notice to appear and shall appear at the prearranged court date to answer the charge. Once notified of the residency restriction, the person shall have two (2) weeks to vacate the premises. A person who fails to vacate the premises within two (2) weeks after receiving notice of the residency restriction shall be subject to arrest.

A person who violates this section shall be punished by a fine as provided for in section 1-8.1 or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding sixty (60) days or by both such fine and imprisonment; for a second or subsequent conviction of a violation of this section, such person shall be punished by a fine as provided for in section 1-8.1 or imprisonment in the county jail not more than twelve (12) months or by both such fine and imprisonment. In addition, the City Attorney’s Office is authorized to file a civil lawsuit against any person in violation of this Chapter without the prior authorization from the City Commission.

- (e) Exceptions. A person residing within two thousand five hundred (2,500) feet of any school, designated public school bus stop, childcare facility, family day care home, park, playground, or other place where children regularly congregate does not commit a violation of this section if any of the following apply:

- (1) The person established and maintained the permanent residence prior to July 1, 2005.

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SECTION 3. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances. All prior ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby Repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court or competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. Inclusion in Code. It is the intention of the City Commission of the City of Coral Springs, Florida, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the City of Coral Springs Code of Ordinances; and that the sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intentions.

SECTION 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon the approval of the City Commission unless another effective date is specified in this Ordinance.

PASSED ON FIRST READING THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

PASSED ON SECOND READING THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

SCOTT BROOK, MAYOR

ATTEST:

GEORGIA ELLIOTT, CMC, City Clerk

Unanimous ____
Motion /2nd

Yes No

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City of Coral Springs

Business Impact Estimate Form

*This Business Impact Estimate Form is provided in accordance with **Section 166.041(4), Florida Statutes** and must be included in the agenda item backup for each proposed ordinance on first reading. A Business Impact Estimate Form must be prepared and posted on the City's website for each ordinance by the date that the notice of the proposed ordinance is published, regardless of whether the ordinance is exempted under Section A below. This Business Impact Estimate Form may be revised following its initial posting.*

Title and File ID # of proposed ordinance:

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The provisions contained in this Section A constitute exemptions as provided in Section 166.041(4)(c). If one or more boxes are checked in Section A below, a business impact estimate is not required by state law for the proposed ordinance.

Section A

- ☐ 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 City;
- ☐ The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- ☐ The proposed 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 s. 163.3164, and development agreements, as authorized by the Florida Local Government Development Agreement Act under ss. 163.3220-163.3243;
 - b. Comprehensive plan amendments and land development regulation amendments initiated by an application by a private party other than the municipality;
 - c. Sections 190.005 and 190.046;
 - d. Section 553.73, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
 - e. Section 633.202, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

If an exemption in Section A is applicable, then only Section A needs to be completed. If there is no exemption in Section A, Section B must be completed.

Section B This section with the business impact estimate must be completed if the proposed ordinance does not meet any of the exemptions in Section A.

1. A summary of the proposed ordinance which must include a statement of the public purpose (e.g., public health, safety, morals and welfare).

The ordinance amendment further clarifies restrictions for sexual offenders and sexual predators and provides for enforcement mechanisms.

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 on businesses subject to the proposed ordinance, or for which businesses will be financially responsible; and

N/A

(c) An estimate of the City's regulatory costs, including an estimate of 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/methodology for preparation, if any:

This amendment requires a sexual offender or sexual predator (regardless of the offense or conviction date) under the laws of the state, to establish a permanent residence or temporary residence within two thousand five hundred (2,500) feet of any school, designated public school bus stop, childcare facility family day care home, park, playground or other place where children regularly congregate.

Prepared by: Brad Mock Chief of Police
Print name and title

Brad Mock
Brad Mock (Aug 7, 2025 16:30:58 EDT)
Signature and Date







Coral Springs Business Impact Estimate Form (Blank Fillable Form)

Final Audit Report

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