

ORDINANCE NO. 28-2025

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DELTONA, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING ARTICLE X, "LOBBYING," OF CHAPTER 2, "ADMINISTRATION" OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES TO REQUIRE LOBBYISTS REGISTRATION, LOBBYING DISCLOSURES, AND PAYMENT OF FEES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Article VIII of the State Constitution and Chapter 166, Florida Statutes provide that municipalities shall have the governmental, corporate, and proprietary powers to enable them to conduct municipal government, perform municipal functions, and render municipal services, and may exercise any power for municipal purposes, except when expressly prohibited by law; and

WHEREAS, the City of Deltona, Florida, as the governing body, pursuant to the authority vested in Chapter 163 and Chapter 166, Florida Statutes, is authorized and empowered to consider changes to its General Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City of Deltona is committed to the principles of open government, transparency, and accountability set forth in the State Constitution and Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Deltona City Commission desires to set forth the rules, requirements, and restrictions that apply to lobbyists and others who may try from time to time to influence the acts and decisions of the City Commission or other final decisionmakers within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Deltona adopted Chapter 2, "Administration" as part of its General Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City of Deltona desires to establish, Article X, “ Lobbying,” of Chapter 2, “Administration,” for the purposes set forth above; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds and determines that these modifications are in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the City of Deltona.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELTONA, FLORIDA, as follows:

Section 1. Recitals Adopted. 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. Amendment to the Code of Ordinances. The City Commission hereby approves and adopts Article X, “Lobbying,” and Chapter 2, “Administration” as set forth in “Exhibit A” attached hereto. For purposes of this Ordinance, underlined type shall constitute additions to the original text, *** shall constitute ellipses to the original text and ~~strikethrough~~ shall constitute deletions to the original text.

Section 3. Conflicts. Any and all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.

Section 5. Codification. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be codified as and be made part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Deltona. The sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish such intention.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final adoption by the City Commission.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF
DELTONA, FLORIDA THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.**

First Reading: _____

Advertised: _____

Second Reading: _____

BY: _____

Santiago Avila, Jr., MAYOR

ATTEST:

Joyce Raftery, CMC, MMC, CITY CLERK

Approved as to form and legality
for use and reliance of the City of
Deltona, Florida

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