

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 12, ENTITLED "PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD"; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 22-21 AND ABOLISHING THE KEY WEST PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD; RENAMING DIVISION 12 AS "PUBLIC INPUT ON PARKS AND RECREATION MATTERS"; AMENDING SECTION 2-610 TO RESERVE SAID SECTION; AMENDING SECTION 2-611 TO ESTABLISH AN INFORMAL PROCESS FOR PUBLIC INPUT ON PARKS AND RECREATION MATTERS TO BE HOSTED BY THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT; AMENDING SECTION 2-612 TO REVISE THE DUTIES OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; RESERVING SECTIONS 2-613 THROUGH 2-615; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission adopted Ordinance No. 22-21, establishing the Key West Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and codifying same at Division 12 of Article III, Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2026, the City Commission approved Resolution No. 26-191, expressing its intent that the Key West Parks and Recreation Advisory Board be abolished and that public input on parks and recreation matters instead be facilitated through an informal process hosted by the City's Parks and Recreation Department; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that formal repeal of Ordinance No. 22-21, and corresponding amendment of the Code of Ordinances, is necessary to give full legal effect to that intent; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that it is in the best interest of the City and its residents to replace the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board with an informal public input process administered by City staff, as more particularly set forth below;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Ordinance No. 22-21 is hereby repealed in its entirety, and the Key West Parks and Recreation Advisory Board established thereby is hereby abolished.

Section 2: That, Division 12 of Article III, Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Key West, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**DIVISION 12. - PUBLIC INPUT ON PARKS AND RECREATION
MATTERS**

Sec. 2-610. - Reserved.

[Editor's note: Former Sec. 2-610, establishing the Key West Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, was repealed by Ord. No. [XX-XX], § 1, adopted [date].]

Sec. 2-611. - Creation, implementation and hosting of an informal process for public input on parks and recreation matters.

The Community Services Director shall establish and implement an informal process for public input on parks and recreation matters, to be hosted by the City's Parks and Recreation Department and open to all members of the public.

Sec. 2-612. - Duties.

The Community Services Director shall ensure all meetings scheduled and hosted by the Parks and Recreation Department for public input on parks and recreation matters are publicly noticed and conducted in an informal manner.

Secs. 2-613-2-615. - Reserved.

Section 3: If any section, provision, clause, phrase or application of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable therefrom and shall be construed as reasonable and necessary to achieve the lawful purposes of this Ordinance.

Section 4: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances of said City in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby superseded to the extent of such conflict.

Section 5: This Ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Read and passed on first reading at a regular meeting
held this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Read and passed on final reading at a regular meeting
held this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of
the Commission on ____ day of _____, 2026.

Filed with the Clerk _____, 2026.

Mayor Danise Henriquez	_____
Vice Mayor Donald "Donie" Lee	_____
Commissioner Lisette Carey	_____
Commissioner Aaron Castillo	_____
Commissioner Monica Haskell	_____
Commissioner Sam Kaufman	_____
Commissioner Greg Veliz	_____

DANISE HENRIQUEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KERI O'BRIEN, CITY CLERK