

1 **DRAFT ORDINANCE 2022-03**  
2 **TOWN OF LADY LAKE, FLORIDA**

3 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LADY LAKE, FLORIDA;**  
4 **AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-2**  
5 **DEFINITIONS; DELETING CHAPTER 9, SECTION 9-3 b), SECTION 9-8 C)1, AND**  
6 **SECTION 9-10 G)2 TO ELIMINATE ALL REFERENCES TO BUSINESS TAX RECEIPTS;**  
7 **REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND**  
8 **PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

9 **WHEREAS**, the Town of Lady Lake has for many years collected the local business tax  
10 authorized by Florida law and has issued Business Tax Receipts to businesses which paid the  
11 tax, and

12 **WHEREAS**, Lake County has also collected the tax and issued Business Tax Receipts; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Lake County has repealed its ordinance authorizing collection of the local  
14 business tax and will cease collection of the tax; and

15 **WHEREAS**, repeal of the tax by the Town will achieve consistency with Lake County and will  
16 also serve to promote new business activity within the Town and will serve to lessen the  
17 burden on existing businesses by eliminating the expense of the tax; and

18 **WHEREAS**, making this repeal effective on October 1, 2022, will permit the Town to take the  
19 loss of revenue from the tax into account in its next fiscal year and budget accordingly.

20 **NOW THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Town Commission of the Town of Lady Lake, Florida:

21 **Section 1. Amendment.**

22 Section 2-2, Definitions, Sign: Abandoned sign:

23 Amended to read: Any sign face which advertises a business no longer conducted or product  
24 no longer sold. In making the determination that a sign advertises a business no longer being  
25 conducted, the Town shall consider the existence or absence of a ~~current business tax~~  
26 ~~receipt~~, utility service deposit or account, use of the premises, and relocation of the  
27 business.

28 Chapter 9, Article I, Section 9.3 b) of the Land Development Regulations of the Town of Lady  
29 Lake, Florida is hereby deleted.

30 Chapter 9, Article I, Section 9-8 C)1 of the Land Development Regulations of the Town of Lady  
31 Lake, Florida is hereby deleted.

32 Section 9-10 G)2, Article I of Chapter 9 of the Land Development Regulations of the Town of  
33 Lady Lake, Florida is hereby deleted.

1 **Section 2. Severability.**

2 If any section, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this Ordinance is for any reason held, or  
3 declared to be unconstitutional, inoperative or void, such holding or invalidity shall not  
4 affect the remaining portions of this ordinance; and it shall be construed to have been the  
5 Town Commission's intent to pass this Ordinance without such unconstitutional, invalid or  
6 inoperative part therein; and the remainder of this Ordinance, after the exclusion of such  
7 part or parts, shall be deemed and held to be valid, as if such parts had not been included  
8 herein; or if this Ordinance or any provisions thereof shall be held inapplicable to any person,  
9 groups of persons, property, kind of property, circumstances or set of circumstances, such  
10 holding shall not affect the applicability thereof to any other person, property or  
11 circumstances.

12 **Section 3. Conflicts.**

13 All ordinances or part of ordinances in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance  
14 are hereby repealed.

15 **Section 4. Codification.**

16 The provisions of this Ordinance shall be codified as and become part of the Codes of  
17 Ordinances, Town of Lady Lake. The sections of this Ordinance may be re-numbered or re-  
18 lettered to accomplish such intention and the word "Ordinance", or similar words, may be  
19 changed to "Section", "Article", or other appropriate word.

20 **Section 5. Effective Date.**

21 This ordinance shall become effective on October 1, 2022.

22 **PASSED AND ORDAINED by the Town Commission of the Town of Lady Lake, Florida,**  
23 **this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2022**

24 Town of Lady Lake, Florida  
25 \_\_\_\_\_  
26 Jim Rietz, Mayor

27 Attest:  
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29 \_\_\_\_\_  
30 Nancy Wilson, Town Clerk

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32 Approved as to form:  
33 \_\_\_\_\_  
34 Derek Schroth, Town Attorney