

RESOLUTION NO. ___-02-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR A TWO-YEAR AMNESTY PERIOD TO ALLOW PROPERTIES WITH EXISTING NON-CONFORMING GRAVEL DRIVEWAYS TO ELIMINATE THEM SO AS TO COME INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THE TOWN CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Lake Park, Florida (“Town”) is a municipal corporation of the State of Florida with such power and authority as has been conferred upon it by the Florida Constitution and Chapter 166, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Town previously enacted regulations in the Town Code of Ordinances which require paved driveways in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the existing regulations prohibit the use of gravel as a primary surface material for driveways; and

WHEREAS, in December 2023 the Town Commission acknowledged that approximately 40 properties in the Town contain non-conforming gravel driveways; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission has determined that the property owners whose properties contain gravel driveways must comply with the Town Code and eliminate these gravel driveways; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission recognizes that requiring property owners to immediately bring their properties into compliance with the Town Code by eliminating their gravel driveways may pose an economic hardship for some property owners; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission hereby directs the Town Manager to provide property owners with a two-year amnesty period through March 1, 2026 to allow property owners to come into compliance with the Town Code by paving their driveways; and

WHEREAS, Town Manager is directed to provide courtesy notices to the property owners of all properties which currently maintain gravel driveways on their properties in March and September of each year of the amnesty period via standard U.S. Mail to direct them that they must comply with the Town Code, and to notify them that grant assistance to those property owners who qualify may be available.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein.

Section 2. The Commission hereby approves a two-year amnesty period through March 1, 2026. Any property that continues to maintain a gravel driveway after the expiration of the amnesty period shall be immediately cited for a code violation and noticed for a hearing before the Town's Code Enforcement Magistrate.

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective upon its execution.

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