

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 9, "COUNTRY CLUB," OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING SECTIONS 9-1 AND 9-2 OF ARTICLE I, "IN GENERAL," TO UPDATE THE GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO THE NORTH PALM BEACH COUNTRY CLUB AND THE ENFORCEMENT THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, at the request of Village Staff, the Village Council wishes to update and clarify the general rules and regulations, including operating hours and prohibitions, applicable to the North Palm Beach Country Club facilities and provide for enforcement thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council has determined that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interests of the Village and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH, FLORIDA as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing "whereas" clauses are hereby ratified as true and are incorporated herein.

Section 2. The Village Council hereby amends Chapter 9, "Country Club," of the Village Code of Ordinances by amending Article I, "In General," to read as follows (additional language underlined and deleted language ~~stricken through~~):

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 9-1. Premises – General regulations.

No person, (other than village employees or persons authorized by the village), on the premises of the North Palm Beach Country Club, including the North Palm Beach Country Club ~~G~~golf ~~C~~course, ~~cart paths~~, tennis ~~club courts~~ and tennis facilities, driving range and driving range facilities, swimming pool ~~area~~, and swimming pool facilities, ~~dining room, bar, winter club clubhouse~~ clubhouse facilities and all other premises included within the property ~~acquired~~ owned by the village as part of the North Palm Beach Country Club, ~~both under the original purchase and under the option by which it acquired the tennis club area~~, shall:

- (1) *Disfiguration and/or removal of building and other property.*
 - a. ~~Willfully mark~~ Mark, deface, disfigure, injure, tamper with, or displace or remove any building, paving or paving materials, lawn, sod, water line, charging stations, or other public utilities;

~~and~~ parts ~~of~~ ~~or~~ appurtenances thereof, signs, notices, or placards, whether temporary or permanent, or any other structures, equipment, facilities or country club property or appurtenances thereto, either real or personal.

- b. ~~Dig~~ Damage or remove or disfigure any of the tee areas, fairways, greens, bunkers, ~~or~~ rough, driving ranges, cart paths, buildings, or equipment on the North Palm Beach Country Club ~~G~~golf ~~C~~course.
- c. Damage or remove or disfigure any of common areas, walkways, lawns, tennis courts, lights, fences, buildings, or equipment at the North Palm Beach Country Club tennis center.
- d. Damage or remove or disfigure any of the common areas, walkways, pool deck, diving boards, ladders, splash pad flooring, splash pad water features, buildings, or equipment at the North Palm Beach Country Club swimming pool.
- e. Damage or remove or disfigure any of the common areas, walkways, lawns, lights, fences, parking areas, buildings, or equipment at the North Palm Beach Country Club clubhouse.
- e f. Damage, cut, carve, transplant, or remove any tree or plant or injure the bark or pick the flowers or seeds of any tree or plant. Nor shall any person attach any rope, wire or any contrivance to any tree or plant. A person shall not dig in or otherwise disturb grassy areas or in any other way injure or impair the natural beauty or usefulness of any area.

(2) Operation of motorized vehicles and other equipment.

- a. Operate motorcycles, low speed vehicles, dirt bikes, or all-terrain vehicles (ATV's) at the North Palm Beach Country Club, other than within designated parking areas.

(2 3) Hours. Be physically present on:

- a. The golf course at the Village of North Palm Beach Country Club, during regular golf course play hours if not checked in and engaged in course play. Non-golfers may access the golf course for one (1) hour after sunset and one (1) hour before sunrise each day, but shall not access the tees, greens, bunkers, and ponds. Access by private golf carts is limited to golf cart paths only. including all tees, fairways, greens, and rough areas during the period from one (1) hour after sunset to one (1) hour before sunrise each day.

- b. ~~Other areas at the North Palm Beach Country Club, including the clubhouse, tennis facilities, swimming pool area and winter club except during daylight hours and during the hours of one (1) hour after sunset and one (1) hour before sunrise as the premises are lighted and use thereof has been expressly approved by the village for the country club restaurant, bar facilities, swimming pool area, tennis courts, golf course, driving range and the winter club. The opening and closing hours for such latter areas shall be posted at the main entrance to the facilities for public information. One (1) hour after sunset and one (1) hour before sunrise, all portions of the North Palm Beach Country Club which are not lighted and permitted for use as described above shall be closed to the public, and no person or persons shall walk or be upon any portion of the country club premises which is closed to the public during those hours. Any other areas of the North Palm Beach Country Club, including the clubhouse facility, tennis center facilities, swimming pool facilities, and the driving range facilities outside of posted operating hours.~~

Sec. 9-2. Same – Signs; enforcement; penalties.

- (a) ~~The village manager or the manager's designee shall~~ may place appropriate signs advising the public of the of the operating hours of various facilities and the prohibitions set forth above at appropriate locations throughout closing of country club facilities at each entrance to the North Palm Beach Country Club and at each of the North Palm Beach Country Club facilities main entrances.
- (b) All employees at the North Palm Beach Country Club and the village's police department shall, in connection with their duties imposed by law, diligently enforce the provisions of section 9-1 ~~and 9-2~~. ~~The All persons employed at the North Palm Beach Country Club village manager or the manager's designee~~ shall have the authority to eject ~~reject~~ from the country club premises any person acting in violation of sections 9-1 ~~and 9-2~~. The North Palm Beach Police Department and any North Palm Beach law enforcement officer shall have the authority to enforce sections 9-1 ~~and 9-2~~ and to arrest any person trespassing upon the country club property or otherwise in violation of the hours of use and other provisions prohibitions of sections 9-1 ~~and 9-2~~.
- (c) Waiver. The village manager or the manager's designee may waive the provisions of subsections (2) and (3) during village-sponsored special events at the North Palm Beach Country Club, including, but not limited to, the Fourth of July and the Holiday Boat Parade.

(e d) *Penalties.* Violation of any provision of this ~~Code section~~ article shall be punished as provided in section 1-8 of this Code or as otherwise authorized by law, including but not limited to the issuance of a code enforcement citation.

Section 3. The provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of the Village of North Palm Beach, Florida.

Section 4. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Ordinance is for any reason held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, inoperative, or void, such holding shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance.

Section 5. All ordinances or parts of ordinances and resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PLACED ON FIRST READING THIS 13TH DAY OF MARCH, 2025.

PLACED ON SECOND, FINAL READING AND PASSED THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY, 2025.

(Village Seal)

MAYOR

ATTEST:

VILLAGE CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

VILLAGE ATTORNEY