

ORDINANCE NO. 15-2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 18, BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS, ARTICLE II, ADMINISTRATION OF PLANNING, ZONING & BUILDING, DIVISION 5, DEMOLITION, TO AMEND SECTION 18-112, PROHIBITION ON DEMOLITION BY CHANGING THE START AND STOP DATES OF THE DEMOLITION SEASON; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Palm Beach, Florida ("Town") is a duly constituted municipality having such power and authority conferred upon it by the Florida Constitution and Chapter 166, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Town has recently amended the start and stop dates of the summer and winter construction seasons; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to align the demolition season to match the recent changes to the construction seasons.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL of the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, as follows:

Section 1. The recitations set forth above are true and correct and incorporated herein as legislative findings of the Town Council.

Section 2: Chapter 18, Buildings and Building Regulations, Article II, Administration of Planning, Zoning & Building, Division 5, Demolition, Section 18-112, is amended by changing the start and stop dates for the demolition season:

"Sec. 18-112. - Prohibition on demolition.

*During the period of the year commencing ~~on the Monday prior to Thanksgiving~~ **November 1** of each year and ending ~~March 31~~ **April 30** of the following year, ~~including Good Friday~~, demolition of structures shall be prohibited and no permits for demolition of structures shall be issued by the Town during said periods. Demolitions of the interiors of structures are not prohibited during this time provided the demolition and the removal of debris from said demolition is completed in three days or less. Exceptions may be allowed by the town council for the demolition of accessory structures, when demolition shall be determined by the town council not to create a nuisance to surrounding properties, or in circumstances determined an emergency by the town council. In the event of an application for waiver to this prohibition on demolition, notice shall be filed with the town at least 45 days prior to the town council meeting at which such application is to be considered and notice shall be given to all property owners as listed with the property appraiser's office*

within 300 feet of the property lines on which the demolition is proposed to occur.”

Section 3. Severability.

If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

Section 4. Repeal of Ordinances in Conflict.

All other ordinances of the Town of Palm Beach, Florida, or parts thereof which conflict with this or any part of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

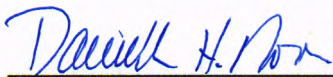
Section 5. Codification.

This Ordinance shall be codified and made a part of the official Code of Ordinances of the Town of Palm Beach.

Section 6. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval, as provided by law.

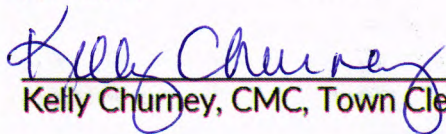
PASSED AND ADOPTED in a regular, adjourned session of the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach on first reading this 15th day of April 2026, and for second and final reading this 13th day of May 2026.



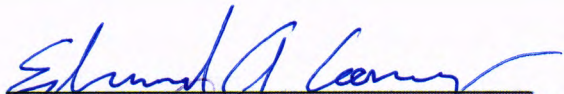
Danielle H. Moore, Mayor



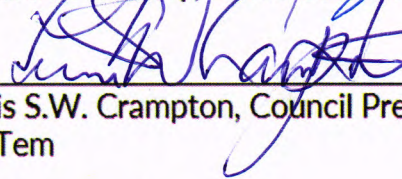
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Kelly Churney, CMC, Town Clerk



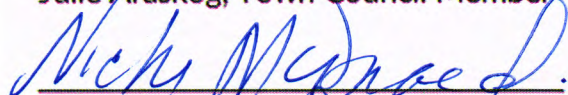
Edward A. Cooney, Town Council President



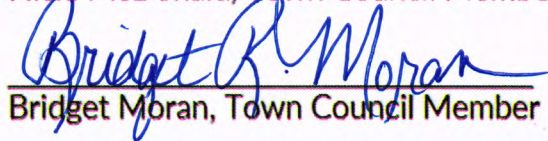
Lewis S.W. Crampton, Council President
Pro Tem



Julie Araskog, Town Council Member



Nicki McDonald, Town Council Member



Bridget Moran, Town Council Member