

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025-1524**

**AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TEMPORARY MORATORIUM  
ON DEVELOPMENT OF OR WITHIN 15 FEET OF WETLANDS AND UTILIZATION  
OF WETLAND ACREAGE IN DENSITY CALCULATIONS  
ESTABLISHED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2025-1513**


**FINDINGS:**

1. On May 20, 2025, the Orange Beach City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2025-1513 imposing a six (6) month moratorium on development of and within fifteen (15) feet of all wetlands as delineated in its natural state prior to development or any mitigation/modification, and on the inclusion of any wetland areas in calculations to determine density of any project.
2. The above-referenced moratorium will expire on November 20, 2025, unless extended by Council action.
3. The City of Orange beach is currently undertaking a Visioning and Strategic Plan, Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Ordinances Update, and Infrastructure Evaluation for Future Growth Study (hereinafter the "Study") via contract with The Walker Collaborative, LLC, to review and address density and the impact of continued development on City services and infrastructure, which was originally expected to be completed by December 2025. The City has been advised The Walker Collaborative, LLC, needs additional time to complete the Study.
4. The City's governing body needs additional time to allow for completion of the Study and to review and consider city code amendments to address concerns relating to density and impacts of development in City services and infrastructure.

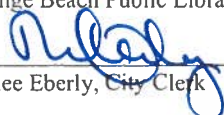
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE BEACH, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the moratorium established by Ordinance No. 2025-1513 shall be extended to continue through September 30, 2026;
2. That said moratorium shall terminate on the earlier of September 30, 2026, or upon action by the City Council of the City of Orange Beach to otherwise invalidate this Ordinance; and
3. That this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2025.

  
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Renee Eberly  
City Clerk

The City Clerk of the City of Orange Beach, Alabama hereby certifies that the foregoing ORDINANCE 2025-1524 was posted on 11/21/2025 in the following three (3) public places:  
Orange Beach City Hall \_\_\_\_\_  
Orange Beach Post Office \_\_\_\_\_  
Orange Beach Public Library \_\_\_\_\_

  
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Renee Eberly, City Clerk

