

RESOLUTION 2026-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A POLICY FOR THE PROTECTION OF INDIVIDUALS ENGAGING IN NON-VIOLENT CIVIL RIGHTS DEMONSTRATIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of St. Lucie Village, Florida, is the recipient or subrecipient of federal and state grants under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; and,

WHEREAS, 42 United States Code 5304(c)(1), enacted as Section 104 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, requires subrecipients of federal funds to adopt and enforce a policy of prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations; and,

WHEREAS, 42 United States Code 5304(c)(2), enacted as Section 104 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, requires subrecipients of federal funds to adopt and enforce a policy of enforcing applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of St. Lucie Village, Florida as follows:

1. The Board hereby adopts a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights

demonstrations; and to enforce applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such nonviolent civil rights demonstration within its jurisdiction with due and proper consideration given to the extent and limits of the Town of St. Lucie Village's power and authority to do so.

2. All other resolutions and policies or sections of resolutions and policies of the Town of St. Lucie Village in conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict. If any section, paragraph, sentence, or clause hereof or any provision of this resolution is declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions of this resolution shall be unaffected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

APPROVED:
BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF
ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA

By: William G. Thiess
William G. Thiess, Mayor

ATTESTED:

By: Paulette T. Burgess
Paulette T. Burgess, Clerk

I, Paulette T. Burgess, Clerk of the TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA, do hereby certify that this is a true and accurate copy of **Resolution 2026-12** which was duly introduced, read, and adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA, held this 21st day of July, 2026.

Paulett T. Burgess
Paulett T. Burgess, Clerk