

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2026-0378

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member Pittman

Date of Introduction: May 12, 2026

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, R

Date of Analysis: May 11, 2026

Type of Action: *Ordinance Code* amendment

Bill Summary: This bill amends Sections 250.101 (Definitions), 250.109 (Permit Suspension and Revocation), and 250.111 (Penalty), Part 1 (In General), Chapter 250 (Miscellaneous Business Regulations), Ordinance Code, to add a definition for "Special Magistrate" and to revise procedures for revocation and suspension of permits for violations of Chapter 250, Ordinance Code.

Background Information: Chapter 250 of the *Ordinance Code* regulates miscellaneous businesses, including street vendors and transient merchants, and authorizes permit suspension and revocation for violations of the Chapter or related Code provisions. The Special Magistrate is the official appointed by the Mayor, or her designee, pursuant to Section 91.104(d), Ordinance Code, and Chapter 162, Florida Statutes. This bill shifts the adjudicative function for Chapter 250 permit suspension and revocation proceedings from the Director or Downtown Development Authority to the Special Magistrate, who hears similar matters under existing City and state law.

Policy Impact Area: Business Regulation; Consumer Affairs

Fiscal Impact: No fiscal impact.

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