

ORDINANCE NO. 2130

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, TO ADOPT CHAPTER 2.45 "HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION" TO TITLE 2 SUPERSEDING THE EXISTING CHAPTER 2.45 "HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION" OF THE PALM SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE

City Attorney's Summary

This Ordinance will provide clarity and consistency to Chapter 2.45 of the City's municipal code, repealing and replacing the current language with updated language to clarify the role of the City's Human Rights Commission.

WHEREAS; the City of Palm Springs ("City") adopted an ordinance to establish the Human Rights Commission in 1992; and

WHEREAS, since the establishment of the Human Rights Commission the City has been a national leader in protecting human rights; and

WHEREAS, the City of Palm Springs recognizes that there are certain rights and privileges afforded to married couples that have historically been denied to same sex couples; and

WHEREAS, the City of Palm Springs desires to protect certain rights and benefits afforded to married couples should the right to same sex marriage be overturned; and

WHEREAS, the City has adopted various ordinances updating Chapter 2.45 of the City's municipal code to safeguard the right and opportunity of all persons to be free from all forms of discrimination as defined; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Palm Springs wishes to repeal and replace Chapter 2.45 of the City's municipal code as attached for consistency and clarity purposes;

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2.45 of Title 2 entitled "Human Rights Commission" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with Chapter 2.45 "Human Rights Commission" as evidenced in the attached Exhibit A.

SECTION 2. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions

of this ordinance. The City Council declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each and every section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase not declared invalid or unconstitutional without regard to whether any portion of the ordinance would be subsequently declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 3. The Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause the same, or the summary thereof, to be published and posted pursuant to the provisions of law and this Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after passage.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE PALM SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL THIS 24TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026.



NAOMI SOTO
MAYOR

ATTEST:



BRENDA PREE, MMC
CITY CLERK

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE)
CITY OF PALM SPRINGS)

ss.

I, BRENDA PREE, City Clerk of the City of Palm Springs, California, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 2130 is a full, true, and correct copy, and was introduced at a regular meeting of the Palm Springs City Council on May 27, 2026, and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council held on June 10, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers deHarte, Garner, Mayor Pro Tem Ready, and Mayor Soto
NOES: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Bernstein
ABSTAIN: None

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Palm Springs, California, this 24th day of June, 2026.



BRENDA PREE, MMC
CITY CLERK