

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Special Town Council Meeting on: May 11, 2021

To: Mayor and Town Council

Via: Kirk Blouin, Town Manager

From: Jay Boodheshwar, Deputy Town Manager

Re: Modification of Town Code to Permit Off-Leashed Dogs on Beaches Between Wells Road and Sunset Avenue from Dawn to 9:00AM
Ordinance No. 13-2021

Date: April 30, 2021

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Town Council consider approving the first reading of Ordinance No. 13-2021, modifying Chapters 10 and 74 of the Town Code to permit off-leashed dogs on the public beaches between Wells Road and Sunset Avenue from dawn until 9:00am.

GENERAL INFORMATION

At the February 11, 2020, Town Council meeting Ordinance No. 04-2020 was adopted on second reading, permitting leashed dogs on the public beaches between Wells Road and Sunset Avenue. Subsequent to the adoption of Ordinance No. 04-2020, thirty-nine (39) residents who live between Wells Road and Sunrise Avenue have petitioned the Town Council to modify the Town Code to allow dogs to be off leash on the beaches in this area from dawn until 9:00am. See attached.

Approval of the attached ordinance would further modify Chapters 10 and 74 of the Town Code, to permit off-leash dogs under the constant command of their owner or handler on these beaches from dawn until 9:00am each day. After 9:00am dogs must remain leashed to be permitted on these beaches. Staff does not have any objection to this requested change.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

The Town Attorney reviewed Ordinance No. 13-2020 and has approved it for legal form and sufficiency.

Attachments

cc: Department Directors
Ben Alma, Support Services Manager
John C. Randolph, Town Attorney