

Press Release

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City of Gulf Breeze Local State of Emergency Remains in Effect; Normal Permitting Procedures to Resume October 26, 2026

GULF BREEZE, FL – The City of Gulf Breeze continues its recovery efforts following Hurricane Isaias and is providing residents with important updates regarding the City's local state of emergency and permitting procedures.

Local State of Emergency Remains in Effect

The City of Gulf Breeze continues its recovery efforts following Hurricane Isaias. The local state of emergency, declared by the Mayor through Resolution No. 48-2026 and subsequently ratified by the City Council through Resolution No. 49-2026, remains in effect. The City's Disaster Emergency Response Plan remains activated, allowing the City to continue responding to storm-related damage, coordinating recovery operations, and protecting the health, safety, and welfare of residents.

Normal Permitting Procedures to Resume October 26th

Effective Monday, October 26, 2026, the City of Gulf Breeze will resume standard permitting procedures and applicable fees for development-related activities associated with damage caused by Hurricane Isaias. This includes, but is not limited to:

- **Tree Removal Permits**
- **Fence Repair and Replacement Permits**
- **Other Storm-Related Development and Repair Permits**

After the hurricane, the City temporarily modified certain permitting procedures to help residents and property owners expedite storm recovery and repairs. As recovery efforts progress, the City will return to normal permitting operations. Beginning October 26, the City will apply its established review procedures, requirements, and fee schedules to all applicable permit applications.

Residents and property owners planning storm-related repairs are encouraged to contact the City's Development Services Department at 850-934-5109 for information regarding applicable permitting requirements.