



In case you missed it, the following are highlights from the February 1, 2023, Cape Coral City Council meeting.

Council Approves Resolution 32-23 Related to Hurricane Ian Recovery

City Council approved Resolution 32-23, which lists the City's 2023 State Legislative Priorities. These priorities entail requesting state support for fiscal relief to local governments that experienced revenue loss due to catastrophic damage from Hurricane Ian.

One of the 2023 initiatives includes requesting an appropriation to engineer and construct a hardened Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The current facility utilized for emergency management response and recovery is noncompliant with FEMA and state Emergency Operation Center requirements due to a lack of space, restrooms, showers, and kitchen facilities.

Hurricane Ian Recovery Update

- Debris Removal Operations:
 - Curbside ROW collection ended Saturday, January 28.
 - Residents may continue to take storm-related debris to the Resource Recovery Facility on Buckingham Road (roof shingles cannot be disposed of at this location). Storm-related debris, including shingles, can be taken to the Lee Hendry Landfill.
 - The City has an upcoming Quarterly Bulk and Household Chemical Waste Event on Saturday, February 4.
https://www.capecoral.gov/department/public_works/solid_waste.php
 - Cape Coral's Bulk Waste Site is open to Cape Coral residents.
 - Canal debris removal is ongoing across the City and is expected to be complete by the end of April.
 - The State is continuing its debris removal efforts for commercial and private property.
- FEMA has approved Direct Temporary Housing Assistance for 127 Cape Coral residents. This assistance provides housing options for those whose homes are uninhabitable because of Hurricane Ian.

Permitting Progress Update

- Three additional private providers will begin assisting with building inspections early next week. These providers will complete approximately 125 building inspections each day.
- A new master single-family residential permit type is scheduled to go live the week of February 6. This permit type will provide faster review time for mastered designs.
- To receive most types of permits immediately, apply through the City's Self-Service portal at www.CapeCoral.gov/energov.

Upcoming Public Meetings

A Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 8, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.