



In case you missed it, the following are highlights from the May 17, 2023, Cape Coral City Council meeting.

Community Recognition: Andrea Samuels and Gabby the Papillon

City Council and the City Manager will begin recognizing the exemplary achievements of Cape Coral residents. Andrea Samuels and her dog, Gabby, were honored for their recent win at the 2023 AKC National Agility Championship in the 8" division.

Council Approves Resolution 101-23, Renewing an Interlocal Agreement with the Lee County School Board

Resolution 101-23 approves the renewal of an interlocal agreement between the City of Cape Coral and the Lee County School Board to provide joint use of LCSB and City facilities. This will provide greater access to community programs while providing recreational and educational opportunities. This interlocal agreement has been in place since 1979.

Council Approves Resolution 112-23 Awarding Bid for Road Resurfacing

City Council approved ordinance 112-23, awarding the bid for road resurfacing to Pavement Maintenance, LLC. Approximately 46.5 lane miles of local roads will be resurfaced, including other related work such as milling, utility adjustments, limited structural repairs, and restriping.

Council Approves Resolution 120-23 Funding Community Tree Distribution Event

City Council approved ordinance 120-23, accepting funding for a Tree Distribution Grant with the Arbor Day Foundation. The Arbor Day Foundation formally awarded the City with the 2023 State Farm Insurance Tree Distribution Award, which will fund the distribution of 200 trees to city residents to recover our lost tree canopy from Hurricane Ian.

Yacht Club Update

The Boathouse Restaurant is anticipated to reopen at the end of May, but it could be pushed back to June. Public Works is clearing the parking lot of debris, and the parking lot lights are being repaired. Temporary fencing and signs for closed amenities are in place, with adjustments pending for the Boathouse opening.

The public boat ramp remains closed to the community. FDEM and FWC are using the boat ramp for derelict vessel removal. They've removed 300 vessels in Lee County, 89 of which are from Cape Coral. Lee County is using the boat ramp to repair waterway navigation aids. These agencies will use the public boat ramp through Aug. 31, 2023. A two-month extension is allowed if approved by City Council.

The Yacht Club Beach remains closed as the City continues working with FEMA for reimbursement for sand refurbishment. The City has not yet received a determination from FEMA on reimbursement.

The Marina and all other Yacht Club Community Park amenities are closed.

Due to the extent of damage received during Hurricane Ian, the remaining Yacht Club Community Park buildings will be demolished. Demolition is expected to start in September or October, pending FEMA approval. A charity auction has been discussed for some items in the Ballroom, but details are still being worked out.

The future waterside design and construction, including seawalls, a boat ramp, and a marina, is contingent on ACOE and DEP permits.

City staff is reviewing the design scope for the Landside Master Plan, which Kimley Horn will complete. Staff anticipates presenting the Master Plan Scope and Fee to Council for approval before hiatus on June 14, 2023.

Upcoming Public Meetings

A Committee of the Whole meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 24, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

A Special Meeting of the Cape Coral City Council is scheduled for Wednesday, May 24, 2023, beginning at 12:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.