



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

**Community Recognition: Mike Welter and George Basista, Pickleball Champions**

City Council and the City Manager recognize the exemplary achievements of Cape Coral residents. Mike Welter and George Basista won first place in the National Senior Games Association's Pickleball Championship, competing in the 70-74 men's doubles 3.5 skill level division.

**Council Approves Purchase of New RO Membranes**

City Council approved Resolution 301-23 to purchase new reverse osmosis membranes for the North RO Plant. City staff utilize an innovative cleaning process that extends the life of RO membranes from 7 to 14 years, and these membranes need to be replaced. The RO membranes remove impurities and contaminants from the City's award-winning drinking water.

**Council Approves Design Services for Phase 3 of SUN Trail**

City Council approved Resolution 303-23, hiring Kisinger Campo & Associates to provide design services for SUN Trail Phase 3, a one-mile portion along Kismet Parkway from Del Prado Blvd. to NE 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Once complete, Cape Coral's SUN Trail will be about 6.5 miles long. The SUN trail or Shared-Use Nonmotorized Trail Program is a statewide system of interconnected trails.

**Council Approves Grant Agreement for Emergency Operations Center Expansion**

City Council approved Resolution 311-23, approving a grant between the Florida Division of Emergency Management and the City of Cape Coral for a maximum of \$9M. These funds are eligible for the design and construction of a Cape Coral Emergency Operations Center Expansion.

### **Council Approves Agreement with FDOT for Pine Island Road Improvements**

City Council approved Resolution 315-23, approving a locally funded agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation and the City of Cape Coral for road improvements on State Road 78 from Chiquita Boulevard to Santa Barbara Boulevard. Improvements include the construction of a second dual left turn lane at the intersection of State Road 78 westbound to Chiquita Boulevard southbound, as well as milling, resurfacing, sign and pavement markings, ADA improvements, signalization, and intersection lighting upgrades.

### **Council Denies Request to Rezoning Lot in NE Cape Coral**

City Council denied Ordinance 85-23, a proposal to rezone a 24.67-acre block in NE Cape Coral to increase the maximum density from 16 units/acre to 25 units/acre.

### **Upcoming Public Meetings**

A Committee of the Whole meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 9 a.m. in Council Chambers.