

In case you missed it, the following are highlights from the May 18, 2022, Cape Coral City Council meeting.

## **Water Quality Update**

On Wednesday, May 11, 2022, staff reported a Blue-Green Algae bloom located throughout the freshwater canal system North of Veterans, South of Trafalgar Parkway, and in between Surfside Boulevard and SW 20<sup>th</sup> Ave. This is an area south of Saddlewood Farms, West of Trafalgar Middle, and east of Sandoval. The bloom encompasses an affected area of about 20 acres comprised of 6 freshwater canals: Barb, McDonough, Sally, Jeanette, Boris, and Armstrong. The Florida Department of Health and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection has been notified. Signage has been deployed at public access points to the canals, and analysis of toxins and public notification is underway. The City is working with contractor Solitude Lake Management to treat the entire system with a peroxide-based algicide within the next two weeks.

## Appointments to boards and committees

The City Council filled four of six vacancies tonight on the Construction Regulation Board.

Contract Awarded for Water Supply Well, Permitting, Design, and Engineering Project
Council approved resolution 73-22, which awards Black & Veatch Corporation the contract for the
Upper Floridian Aquifer Supply Well permitting, design, and professional engineering services project.
This project will add drinking water supply wells to the North RO wellfield that currently has a total of
22 groundwater wells. The goal of this project is to permit, design, bid, construct and perform
operational startup testing and commissioning of water supply wells to provide brackish raw
groundwater for the City's North RO water treatment plant.

## **Annexation of Properties**

City Council approved two voluntary annexation requests of properties under ordinances 41-22 and 42-22. Both are petitions to annex a total of eight parcels into the City of Cape Coral, totaling 37.47 acres. The parcels are located at the intersection of Pine Island Road and Veterans Parkway. The annexation will allow for commercial and mixed-use development.

## **Upcoming Public Meetings**

A Committee of the Whole Meeting is Scheduled for Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

A Regular Meeting of the Cape Coral City Council is scheduled for Wednesday, June 1, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.