



In case you missed it, the following are highlights from the August 30, 2023, Cape Coral City Council meeting.

Council Approves Sports Lighting Replacement at Four Parks

City Council approved Resolution 204-23, which replaces sports lighting at Cape Coral Sports Complex, Pelican Baseball Complex, Strausser BMX Sports Complex, and Caloosa Park. The current lighting at these four parks is obsolete and cannot be replaced, so the City is standardizing all park lighting.

Council Approves Design Firm for Fire Station 10

City Council approved Resolution 221-23, an agreement with BSSW Architects to provide professional design services for Cape Coral Fire Station 10.

Council Approves Funding for Repairs and Renovations at Storm Football Complex

City Council approved Resolution 223-23, funding repairs and renovations to the complex to remove safety hazards, building, and ADA violations.

Council Approves Donation of Fire Department Gear to Ida Baker High School Fire Fighting Academy

Resolution 228-23 authorizes the donation of surplus Fire Department gear to the Lee County School Board for use at the Ida Baker High School Fire Fighting Academy.

Council Approves Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection

City Council approved Resolution 232-23, authorizing an agreement with the State of Florida for \$10,000,000 in grant funding. The Cape Coral Utilities Department was awarded this funding to install 20 stationary wastewater lift station generators.

Council Approves Temporary Modification of Waste Pro Pickup Schedule

City Council approved Ordinance 235-23, temporarily modifying Waste Pro's collection schedule and noise exemption until October 31, 2023. Due to unprecedented temperatures and heat index in Southwest Florida, Waste Pro requested that their drivers begin their collection routes one hour earlier at 5 a.m.

Council Establishes Maximum Amounts for the Following Assessments:

- Resolution 214-23 approves a preliminary stormwater assessment for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. The proposed initial assessment is a \$7 increase from last year (\$135 to \$142).
- Resolution 216-23 approves a preliminary commercial solid waste assessment for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. The proposed initial assessment is a 4.82% increase.

Council Establishes Final Amounts for the Following Assessments:

- Resolution 212-23 relates to the City's provision of fire protection services, facilities, and programs and establishes the estimated fire protection assessed cost and assessment rates for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023. City Council increased the Fire Protection Preliminary Assessment from 62% to 70% cost recovery.
- Resolution 215-23 relates to the City's provision of solid waste collection and disposal services, facilities, and programs. City Council increased the Solid Waste assessment by 4.82%.
- Resolution 213-23 relates to the City's provision of lot mowing services for vacant parcels across Cape Coral. City Council increased the lot mowing assessment by less than a dollar for each district.

Upcoming Public Meetings

A regular meeting of the Cape Coral City Council is Scheduled for Wednesday, September 6, 2023, beginning at 4:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

A special meeting of the Cape Coral City Council is Scheduled for Thursday, September 7, 2023, beginning at 5:05 p.m. in Council Chambers for the First Budget Hearing.