



In case you missed it, the following are highlights from the September 21, 2022, Cape Coral City Council meeting.

Council Approves Distribution of Funds for Edward Byrne JAG Program

City Council approved resolution 211-22 regarding the distribution of funds for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2021 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program. The program is an annual state solicitation passed through the U.S. Department of Justice for state and local law enforcement initiatives.

Grant Funds for Yellow Fever Creek Project Approved

City Council approved resolution 212-22, which authorizes the acceptance of awarded grant funds from the North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 for the Yellow Fever Creek Wetland Enhancement Project.

Permitting Process Update

A 60-day action plan was reviewed and reported to be on track to meet all 60-day action plan goals by the October 21, 2022, end date. Staff continues to work diligently testing the 2021 version of EnerGov. The action plan includes a complete system upgrade from EnerGov version 2020 to the 2021 version with a goal of going “live” on October 5.

Water Quality Update

Toxin analysis results showed blue-green algae toxins were not present as of last week at the following sites: Palmetto Pine Golf Course – Makai Canal, Cat Cay Lake area, Everest Marina area, and South Spreader Waterway – Killer Canal.

Regarding bubble curtains, installation is complete in the Mandolin, Minstrel, Plato, Moody, and Lido canals; ongoing in Palaco Grande canal. The Chantrey and Coral Pointe canals are scheduled to start next week. Installations of bubble curtains for the Everest and MacKenzie canals are pending seawall drilling.

Council Withdraws Resolution 52-22

City Council withdrew Resolution 52-22 and will revisit the item at a future meeting. Resolution 52-22 is an ordinance amending the City Comprehensive Plan by amending the Future Land Use Map from the classification of Commercial/Professional to multi-family classification for the property located at 1917 SW Santa Barbara Place. The impact of this change, if adopted, would be to remove the potential for commercial development for the subject site and to construct up to nine multi-family units. The remainder of the block would retain the Commercial/Professional future land use map classification.

Approving the amendment would result in an impediment to future assemblage, impact any commercial development adjacent to the property, and represent an intrusion of residential land use upon a commercial block.

Upcoming Public Meetings

A Special Meeting of the Cape Coral City Council is scheduled for Thursday, September 22, 2022, at 5:05 p.m. in Council Chambers (2nd and Final Budget Hearing).

A Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 28, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

A Special Meeting of Cape Coral City Council is scheduled for Wednesday, September 28, at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Room 220A.