



In case you missed the meeting, the following are highlights from the February 16, 2022, Cape Coral City Council meeting.

City Council Approves Purchase of Solid Waste Truck

The Council approved an emergency purchase order for the purchase of a 2022 11-year American Pharoah Solid Waste Truck in the amount of \$158,900. This compacting solid waste truck will provide the City with the ability to assist our residents when trash is not collected and to respond to disaster/severe weather incident cleanup needs. The solid waste truck will be a key piece of equipment and will be utilized daily by the Public Works staff to clean up City job sites, special events, solid waste/bulk waste/horticultural debris removal from City streets and public property.

Council Approves Purchase of Property for Future Expansion of City Facilities

The Council approved a contract for the City to purchase property located 935 SE 6th Court as a potential site for future expansion of City facilities or related projects. The purchase price is \$62,000 plus closing costs. The site is located at the northeast corner of SE 6th Court and SE 10th Street, just northwest of City Hall Complex and adjacent to properties currently owned by the City. The purchase of this property would complete the assemblage of all the vacant land within the block and provide a 2.8 acre site for future development once replatted.

Council Approves Purchase of Property to Expand Cape Coral Sports Complex

Council approved a contract for the purchase of 2327 Trafalgar Parkway for the expansion of the Cape Coral Sports Complex with a purchase price of \$1,500,000 plus closing costs. The subject parcel is a 13-acre site located on the west side of the Sports Boulevard entrance into the Cape Coral Sports Complex.

Council Approves MOU Regarding the Opioid Litigation Settlement

Council approved a Memorandum of Understanding with the State of Florida and other Local Governments regarding the opioid litigation settlement. The State of Florida has filed an action pending in Pasco County, Florida, and a number of cities and counties have filed an action In re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation, MDL: No. 2804, (N.D. Ohio) (the "Opioid Litigation"). The City of Cape Coral is eligible to receive a maximum settlement amount of \$1,825,473.60. The intent of the settlement monies is to be used for substance abuse education, treatment, and other related programs and services.

Water Quality Update

Blue green algae blooms are not present on Lake Okeechobee, or in Cape Coral at this time. Red tide currently absent in all of Southwest Florida. The DOH has lifted the health advisory at the Alva and Davis boat ramps.

City Council plans to send a letter in opposition of SB 2508. The Bill on Environmental Resources could hinder the progress that has been made on reducing harmful discharges from Lake Okeechobee.

Upcoming Public Meetings

A Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

A Regular Meeting of the Cape Coral City Council is scheduled for Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. in council Chambers.