

**CITY OF COOPER CITY
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
BUDGET WORKSHOP
JULY 25, 2011**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Eisinger called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Commissioners Green, Curran, Sims and Mayor Eisinger. Commissioner Mallozzi was absent.

3. AGENDA CONCERNS

Ed Wooley, 11038 Nashville Drive, stated that the proposed budget is missing vital information from which to begin the budgeting process and that a second rescue vehicle should have been included in the budget.

Gladys Wilson, 5155 SW 90th Avenue, suggested that the salary of the Recreation Director, which is not in the proposed budget, could pay for the reinstatement of the Cooper City shuttle bus service and that the City should spare the money budgeted for parks and carpet cleaning.

4. BUDGET DISCUSSION

City Manager Loucks explained the format for discussion planned for the two scheduled budget meetings, and that on Thursday, July 28th the Commission will meet to adopt the millage and the fire assessment and confirm the dates of the upcoming Budget Hearings.

Mr. Loucks provided an overview of the proposed budget, noting the specific elimination of employee salary increases as well as salaried positions which were not budgeted for in its preparation and explained the various factors considered in calculating the different fund balances. He presented the memos provided to the Commission and posted for public retrieval which detail fund balances, General Fund reserves, millage rates, capital projects, property tax revenues, General Fund expenditures and revenues, Water & Sewer Utilities expenses and revenues, budget projections and varying budget scenarios.

3-1 Consensus was reached to place the Emergency Transport Rate Schedule on the August 16th Agenda for action. Commissioner Sims dissenting.

3-1 Consensus was reached to eliminate the City Lobbyist from the budget and to direct staff to present proposals for the reallocation of the \$50,000.00 previously budgeted. Commissioner Sims dissenting.

Unanimous consensus was reached to direct staff to submit an analysis of revenue generating scenarios for the City's storage facilities, including leasing the facilities to a management company and/or increased rate projections.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Eisinger adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.