

**CITY OF COOPER CITY  
CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING  
JULY 28, 2011**

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Eisinger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance.

**2. ROLL CALL**

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

**3. AGENDA CONCERNS**

Walt Jolliff, 11095 Bismarck Place, stated that data on the number of fire and EMS calls, reported in the Fire Study is inconsistent from previous years and he suggested the study was arbitrary and incorrect.

Ed Wooley, 11038 Nashville Drive, suggested that the Commission consider that the Fire Study is flawed; and therefore, should not be used to determine the Initial Assessment.

**4. FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012 TAX LEVIES**

Mr. Loucks briefed the Commission regarding direction derived from previous budget workshops. He then introduced the Millage Rate options.

**A. Setting 2011/2012 Proposed Operating Millage Rate**

**MOTION:** To set the proposed Millage Rate of 5.0526 for the Fiscal Year 2011/2012, as recommended by the City Manager.

**Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green.**

**MOTION:** To use the \$50,000.00 previously removed from the lobbyist budget to repair two parks that have been on the waiting list for restoration, without causing a reduction to the size of the parks.

**Moved by Commissioner Curran.**

**Point of Order called by Commissioner Green: Current Motion on the floor. Commissioner Sims stated an objection to the order. City Atty. Wolpin clarified that the Motion would not be germane to the millage rate. Mayor Eisinger advised that the motion would be held for future budget discussions in September.**

**Roll call vote to set the proposed Millage Rate**

**Commissioner Green: Yes**  
**Commissioner Curran: Yes**  
**Commissioner Sims: No**  
**Commissioner Mallozzi: No**  
**Mayor Eisinger: Yes**  
**Motion passed.**

**B. Setting the 2011/2012 Proposed Debt Levy**

Finance Director Horacio Montes de Oca explained that the rate has gone down from 0.22 mils to 0.2153 mils.

**MOTION:** To set the proposed Debt Service Levy for the Fiscal Year 2011/2012 to 0.2153, as recommended by the City Manager.  
**Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

**C. Adopting Initial Assessment for Non-Ad Valorem Assessment – Res. No. 11-7-4**

Atty. Wolpin read, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS IN THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA; DESCRIBING THE METHOD OF ANNUALLY ASSESSING FIRE PROTECTION COSTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF COOPER CITY; DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL ESTABLISHMENT OF A MAXIMUM ASSESSMENT; AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING AND DIRECTING THE PROVISION OF NOTICE THEREOF; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE," by title only.

City Atty. Wolpin advised the Commission regarding current litigation concerning past Fire Assessments while the current item addresses the future beginning October 1, 2011.

**MOTION:** To approve the Resolution adopting Fire Assessment Services Fees.

**Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green.**

City Manager Loucks explained that this is the fourth year of the \$19.38 increase levied unanimously by the Commission in 2008 to offset the increasing cost of fire services over a five-year period. Finance Director Montes de Oca clarified that the General Fund formerly subsidized this expense in the amount of approximately \$850,000.00.

City Atty. Wolpin clarified that a typo on page 13 of the backup to the resolution, Appendix B, the Year Cost Assigned is written 2016 incorrectly and is actually 2012.

**Roll call vote to motion**

<b>Commissioner Green:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Commissioner Curran:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Commissioner Sims:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Commissioner Mallozzi:</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Mayor Eisinger:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Motion passed.</b>	

**D. Approving the Budget/Millage/Special Assessment Adoption Schedule**

**MOTION:** To approve the public hearing schedule relative to the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2011/2012 budget and taxes.

**Moved by Commissioner Sims. Seconded by Commissioner Curran. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

**Mayor Eisinger adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m.**