

**CITY OF COOPER CITY  
CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP  
FEBRUARY 9, 2012**

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Eisinger opened the workshop at 5:00 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**

David McKennan, 12205 Paseo Way, explained that he and 8 other residents are prepared to pay 50%, regardless of cost, for a sound barrier wall behind their homes and are not willing to relinquish all contract control to the City Manager.

Woody Spencer, 12203 Paseo Way, explained that sound and safety are the major concerns of the residents requesting the wall and asked for the support of the Commission to have this wall erected.

Susan Kerns, 12105 Paseo Way, expressed that there is a safety concern on the road behind her home, with 25 accidents reported in that area over a 5-year period, citing specific incidents of cars encroaching onto residents' yards.

Ernie Aguado, 4911 SW 88<sup>th</sup> Terrace, commented regarding speeding on residential roads and expressed a desire to have traffic calming devices installed.

Stan Neumann, 31 Chestnut Circle, implored the Commission to reject funding a sound barrier wall during such difficult financial times.

**4. TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES/GUARDRAIL/WALL POLICIES**

City Manager Loucks described the items to be discussed during the workshop and provided a history of previous discussions on the subject.

A. Memo Regarding Traffic Calming and Protective Devices

City Engineer Mike Bailey read the memorandum he prepared on the subject and introduced Jeff Maxwell, Traffic Engineer, currently performing the traffic engineering study for the areas in question.

B. Current City Ordinance for Traffic Calming Devices

The criteria for installing or utilizing traffic calming devices was discussed.

### C. Traffic Control Device Information

Jeff Maxwell, Director of Traffic Engineering, Calvin Giordano and Associates, provided a presentation of traffic calming devices. He presented preliminary results from the ongoing studies, described the methods and criterion used in the study and offered possible solutions for the areas in question.

Deputy Lashbrook reported regarding the speeds he witnessed and the tickets he issued in the area of SW 49<sup>th</sup> Street.

Chief Sievers and Chief Hale provided input upon request of the Commission.

City Manager Loucks summarized the City's upcoming direction upon the completion of the traffic study as follows:

- o Determine what type of traffic calming devices may be installed, and where.
- o Review traffic reconfiguration options for the Stirling Road outlet for Countryside Shops.
- o Revisit and rewrite the current Traffic Calming Devices Ordinance.

He explained that a budget amendment ordinance would be necessary for funding, which will require 2 public hearings for adoption.

## **5. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING**

Rena Ferrara, 4911 SW 88<sup>th</sup> Terrace, stated that the study should show the speeds around the curve that exceed the 10mph limit posted and that speed tables do not compromise response times or patient care in the slightest, with regard to emergency vehicles.

David Cinelli, 4910 SW 88<sup>th</sup> Terrace, explained that his house had been crashed into and the cost shouldn't be an issue.

Brooke Lebel, 5000 SW 87<sup>th</sup> Avenue, requested to see the results of the study near the area of the neighborhood park and protested the idea that increased education curtails speeding and reckless driving.

**Unanimous consensus was reached to include SW 87<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the study upon acceptance of the expenditure as a Consent Agenda Item on the February 28<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting Agenda.**

Ricardo Winocur, 12280 Croton Way, stated that many of the streets in the City are private.

Stan Neumann, 31 Chestnut Circle, commented regarding the effects of speed bumps on rescue vehicles and inquired as to what accommodations will be made at Stirling Road and Flamingo Road to allow for the additional traffic which will be forced to travel west when they need to go east.

Susan Kerns, 12105 Paseo Way, asked whether the total of \$139,000. for the wall along Flamingo Road included the cost of guard rails, asked if there is a possibility of changing the shadow box fence requirement and referenced previous Commission approvals for unrelated items based on precedence.

David McKennan, 12205 Paseo Way, addressed the shadow box fence question and stated that the wall on Flamingo Road set a precedent and reiterated that the area along Stirling Road behind his home has traffic and safety issues.

## **6. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Eisinger adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.