

**CITY OF COOPER CITY
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
BUDGET WORKSHOP
JULY 17, 2013**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ross opened the workshop at 6:30 p.m. and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. AGENDA CONCERNS

None

4. BUDGET DISCUSSION

City Manager Loucks outlined the 2013/2014 Budget Workshop, Meeting and Hearing schedule and provided an overview of the Proposed Budget. Mr. Loucks explained that, due to the good works of the Commission and City employees, the significant increase in taxes from the development of Monterra, increases in property values citywide, the savings in health insurance premiums of \$275,000, and the funds from the Agreement with Waste Management and disbursement of funds from the Resource Recovery Board, the City is able to balance the General Fund Budget this year with no input from reserves.

Mr. Loucks further explained that the water and sewer rates will increase by 1.4% based on the CPI, which will be offset by a reduction in the storm water rates from \$28.80 annually to \$14.40 annually. The budget includes an increase in the Parking Lot Fund, which will be used for improved maintenance and an upgrade in the security system, and a 2% COLA for employees.

Finance Director Horacio Montes de Oca, Utilities Director Mike Bailey, Public Works Director James Bowman, Recreation Director Lynda Good and City Clerk Susan Poling answered specific budget item questions posed by the Commission.

MOTION: To remove the word Mayor from the designation of funds earmarked for the Florida League of Cities.

Moved by Commissioner Sims. Seconded by Commissioner Curran. No vote was taken.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ross adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

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