

**CITY OF COOPER CITY  
CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP  
SIDEWALK AND DRIVEWAY APRONS  
JANUARY 9, 2014**

**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**

Ed Wooley, 11038 Nashville Drive, opined that the City is responsible for any damage caused by swale trees, but the homeowner should be responsible for cleaning the sidewalk in front of their own home.

**4. SIDEWALK AND DRIVEWAY APRONS**

Commissioner Curran introduced the subject matter and suggested that the City take steps to ensure the following:

- That all sidewalk damage caused by swale trees be repaired by the City.
- That the City receive "Hold Harmless" agreements from any resident applying for a permit to upgrade their driveway in the apron area, with the understanding that any damage caused by the need to access utilities in this area will have to be repaired at the owner's expense.
- That the City has full responsibility for all sidewalk repairs throughout the City.
- That the City will provide full disclosure notice to each home and/or Homeowners' Association whenever it intends to remove a tree from any property.
- That the responsibility of cleaning the sidewalks remain with the homeowner by Ordinance.

Public Works Director Jim Bowman provided that a conservative estimated cost to repair the sidewalks that surround approximately 5,000 homes would be more than \$250,000.00. He further approximated that, if the City maintained a schedule of repairing 5% of these sidewalks each year, the cost would be about \$40,000.00 to \$50,000.00 yearly.

Direction was given to the City Manager to bring a conceptual list of changes to the Commission at the January 28<sup>th</sup> meeting that addresses each component explored during the workshop.

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

**The workshop was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.**

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