

**CITY OF COOPER CITY
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2016 at 6:30 PM**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ross opened the meeting at 6:33 PM and 5th grade Griffin Elementary School student Megan Bufalo led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. CHANGES TO AGENDA/EMERGENCY MATTERS

City Manager Loucks announced that the Guardian Ad Litem Day Proclamation will be presented at a future meeting.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

A. Guardian Ad Litem Day Proclamation - Laura Davis -
Presentation Deferred

B. Recognition of Karen Correa, Assistant Finance Director

Assistant Finance Director Karen Correa was recognized for her tireless efforts to recover FEMA reimbursements through an appeals process that has spanned the past 10 years, in the amount of \$817,892.00.

Mayor Ross made the following announcements:

- The expected completion date of the City Hall remodeling project is mid March. Utility Customer Service Operations and City Clerk functions have been relocated to the auditorium until completion of the project. City Hall will close early on Friday, February 26th to allow for the relocation of work stations.
- The next countywide Mayor's Chess Challenge will be hosted by Cooper City and held on Saturday, February 27th at the Pool & Tennis Center from 9:00 to 11:00 AM.
 - Wilton Manors will host the March Chess Challenge on March 19th from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM.
- The Charter Review Board is seeking community input at the next public meeting on Wednesday, March 2nd at 6:00 PM in the City Hall auditorium, or submit your input via email to tinah@coopercityfl.org or call Tina Hudson in the City Clerk's Office at 954-434-4300 ext #220.
- Cooper City is introducing a new local mobile business application which will function as a directory for our Cooper City businesses through Go Local Apps. Please contact Community Liaison Denise Lasarte at 954-434-4300 ext #263 to register your Cooper City business.
- The FDOT has awarded Interstate Construction, LLC the Sound Barrier Wall Project along Griffin Road from SW 19th Avenue to west of SW 87th Avenue. Construction will begin February 29, 2016 and should be completed by the fall of 2016.
- Feeding Children Everywhere, a volunteer food packing project, will partner with Cooper City High School on Thursday, February 25th beginning at 1:00 PM to hand-pack 80,000 healthy meals that will be

distributed to hungry families in Broward County. The meals will be packed by City staff, advisory board members, BSO staff and students.

- Yellow Dot decals are available upon request at BSO Fire Rescue, the Community Center and during the Mayor's Chess Challenge.
- The *Spring Community Garage Sale* will be held on Saturday, March 5th from 7:00 AM until noon at the Sports Complex.
- The next BSO/Special Olympics, Florida *Tip-A-Cop* event at Beef O'Brady's will be held on Wednesday, March 9th from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM.
- The Spring Community Book Swap will be held on Friday, March 11th at 6:00 PM with a "kids only" pre-swap period beginning at 5:30 PM.
- Cooper City will host the annual Richardson 5K and One-Mile Run/Walk on Sunday, March 13th at the Cooper City Sports Complex. Registration forms are online and at the Cooper City Recreation buildings.
- The City Commission/City Hall Notable dates are as follows:
 - The next City Commission Meetings will be held on Tuesday, March 8th and Tuesday, March 22nd at 6:30 PM.

Commissioner Mallozzi made the following announcements:

- Pioneer Middle School Band is requesting donations to fund the purchase of a projector. Please contact Mr. Euler if you can contribute a projector or a contribution to help fund one.
- Please support military personnel stationed overseas by visiting www.forgottensoldiers.org
- Cooper City Optimist Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, May 1st at the Pembroke Lakes Country Club. Please contact Pete Schlang at (305) 970-4818.
- Happy Birthday to Kurt Dourvetakis, 13 years old!

Commissioner Curran complimented the Public Works Department on their Purple Posse Fundraiser Luncheon, which raised over \$1,000.00 for the Relay for Life. He announced the upcoming Davie/Cooper City Relay for Life fundraising events as follows:

- February 25th, all day, dine at TIN CUP where a portion of the proceeds will be donated on behalf of the City's Cooper City Purple Posse Team.
- March 5th, from 7:00 AM until noon, the Purple Posse team will have a table at the Community Garage Sale and proceeds from the sale will be donated to the cause. Call Denise Lasarte at (954) 434-4300 ext #263 to donate items to be sold.
- March 6th, the Optimists are hosting a "Kickin' for A Cure" kickball tournament with 100% of the proceeds going to "Relay." the Purple Posse will be running a bake sale at the event.
- On March 10th, the Purple Posse will host a round robin tennis tournament at the Cooper City Pool & Tennis Center beginning at 3:30 PM. Entries are \$10.00 per person. Contact Allison Fuertado at (954)4300 ext #222 to enter the tournament. The Utilities Department will be serving up hot dogs and other fare for donations to the team.
- Join us at Cooper City High School on March 11th at 7:00 PM for an evening of improv, hosted by the Purple Posse. An 18 and older show for charity to benefit the Relay for Life. Tickets are \$12.00 at the door.

5. PUBLIC SPEAKING

A. Open Public Meeting

None.

B. Agenda Concerns

Michael Bufalo, 11648 SW 59th Street, spoke regarding Item 10C and in support of staffing the second rescue unit with three full-time qualified professionals through BSO.

BSO Fire Chief Stravino spoke on behalf of maintaining BSO as the only Fire/Rescue service provider in the City.

6. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Cates reported on the various exclusive BSO community programs that District 16 champions, including Chip-A-Pet, Gun Safety, Critical Incident Training and the Seniors Vs. Crime Project. He implored seniors to call (954) 441-8339 and speak with Noreen Gilman regarding any suspicious solicitations they received, whether in person, by phone or mail. He read a letter of commendation recognizing Sergeant Wayne Alloy and Deputies Marc Soto, Andrew Rodriguez, Wes Haber, Julio Rodriguez, Jay Robinson and Erick Sanchez from a resident of Davie whose home was responded to by this team following a tragedy in his family. He reiterated that he and members of his staff will attend the Feeding Children Everywhere event and the Embassy Lakes Annual HOA meeting.

7. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Caruso thanked the Commission for their thoughts and prayers for his ailing father and informed them that his condition has improved, while he remains hospitalized. He reported that CERT is halfway through the training for the new class consisting of Weston and Cooper City CERT Team and spoke about the Yellow Dot Program. He explained all fire and rescue apparatus at Station 28 are fully functional and in service and have passed all of their operational tests.

- In response to inquiries from the Mayor, Chief Caruso reported that District 28 is on target to receive a newer suppression engine within the next 2 months. He responded to inquiries from Commissioners Mallozzi and Green regarding the apparatus.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes

February 9, 2016–Regular Meeting

B. Resolutions

1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE PLIGHT OF ROBERT LEVINSON AND DEMANDING HIS SWIFT AND SAFE RETURN TO HIS FAMILY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **-Res. No. 16-2-4**
2. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO SITE LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF COOPER CITY ("CITY") AND SBA 2012 TC ASSETS, LLC, A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ("TENANT"), TO EXTEND THE LEASE PERIOD FOR TWENTY ADDITIONAL YEARS FOR THE FLAG POLE CELL TOWER AND GROUND EQUIPMENT ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY

LOCATED AT 9070 SOUTHWEST 51 STREET; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. - **Res. No. 16-2-5**

C. Proclamation

1. Guardian Ad Litem Day - February 25, 2016
2. Problem Gambling Awareness Month - March 2016

D. Financial Matters

1. Requesting approval to purchase vehicles for the Utility Department.
2. Requesting approval to purchase a vehicle for the Recreation Department.
3. Requesting approval to defund the Capital Project to install synthetic turf at a Soccer Field in The Cooper City Sports Complex, in the amount of \$900,000 (account 300-314-564760-572-16011) and transfer the funds into the Capital Projects Fund Contingency account (300-190-599000-519). Funding for this project was to be provided by a \$400,000 loan from Water & Sewer Fund and \$500,000 from General Fund transfers.
4. Requesting approval to purchase Vermont Systems RecTrac Workgroup Multi-User Software recreation management system.

MOTION: To approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green.

All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

9. LAND DEVELOPMENT MATTERS

Mayor Ross opened the quasi-judicial portion of the Item and administered an oath to those wishing to speak on the matter, including Items A1, A2, A3 and B.

A. Countryside Shops located at 5874-5524 S. Flamingo Road

1. Quasi-Judicial Hearing for Countryside Shops Site Plan Amendment #SPA 6-1-15

City Atty. Wolpin read, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, ISSUING DEVELOPMENT ORDER NO. 16-3R TO EQUITY ONE, INC., FOR SITE PLAN AMENDMENT PETITION #SPA 6-1-15 FOR COUNTRYSIDE SHOPS, SUBJECT TO STIPULATIONS AND CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE," by title - **Res. No. 16-2-6**

Ex-parte' Disclosure

None.

MOTION: To approve Resolution No. 16-2-6 for Site Plan Amendment #SPA 6-1-15.

Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green.

Matt Wood read a staff report related to the petition, including recommendations for approval from DRC and the Planning & Zoning Board.

With no one wishing to add testimony, Mayor Ross closed the open public portion.

Mike Troxell from Thomas Engineering responded to questions from the Commission.

All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

2. Quasi-Judicial Hearing for Countryside Shops Plat Amendment #PA 6-1-15

City Atty. Wolpin read, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, ISSUING DEVELOPMENT ORDER NO. 16-4R TO EQUITY ONE, INC., FOR PLAT AMENDMENT PETITION #PA 6-1-15 FOR COUNTRYSIDE SHOPS, SUBJECT TO STIPULATIONS AND CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE," by title. - **Res. No. 16-2-7**

MOTION: To approve Resolution No. 16-2-7 for Plat Amendment #PA 6-1-15.

Mayor Ross opened the public hearing. With no one wishing to add testimony, Mayor Ross closed the open public portion.

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

3. Quasi-Judicial Hearing for Countryside Shops Sign Package Amendment #SI 10-1-15

MOTION: To approve Sign Package Amendment #SI 10-1-15

Moved by Commissioner Curran. Seconded by Commissioner Green.

Mayor Ross opened the quasi-judicial portion of the Item and requested anyone wishing to speak on the petition to do so. Seeing none, he closed the hearing.

All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

B. Metro PCS - LCLS Group, LLC located at 12223 Sheridan Street (Shops at Cooper City)

Quasi-Judicial Hearing for Sign Waiver Petition #SW 12-1-15

MOTION: To approve Sign Waiver Petition #SW 12-1-15.

Moved by Commissioner Sims. Seconded by Commissioner Curran.

Mayor Ross opened the quasi-judicial portion of the Item and requested anyone wishing to speak on the petition to do so.

Martin Panseri presented the petition on behalf of Metro PCS.

Matt Wood read a staff report regarding the petition, including recommendations for approval from the Planning & Zoning Board and the Business Advisory Board.

All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

10. DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION/ACTION

- A.** Discussion and direction regarding a proposed Code change allowing for administrative approval of Sign Waiver Requests that are limited to trademarked or nationally recognized logos and otherwise conform with Code requirements.

Consensus was reached to direct staff to draft an ordinance allowing administrative approval of Sign Waiver Requests.

- B.** Discussion and direction regarding a proposed Code change allowing for administrative approval of Sign Package Amendments that conform with Code requirements.

Consensus was reached to direct staff to draft an ordinance allowing administrative approval of Sign Package Amendments.

- C.** Discussion and direction on selection of a fire/rescue service vendor to provide a 3 person crew for 24 hour service each day, at an annual cost not to exceed \$1,493,000.00 for the activation and operation of the additional rescue vehicle which the City has provided for an enhanced level of service to the City.

City Manager Loucks reviewed the Commission's previous direction to present Broward Sheriff's Office with the first right of refusal to staff the second rescue at the amount proposed by Davie Fire Rescue. He explained that Broward Sheriff's Office declined the offer and counter-offered to staff the second rescue unit as previously proposed at \$1.8 million. He requested that the Commission attend a workshop between the two fire/rescue entities to come to an understanding regarding the implications of incorporating a second service provider and possible acquisition of the services of Davie Fire Rescue.

MOTION: To schedule a workshop between all interested parties, including Davie and BSO and their respective union representatives, to discuss and clarify any transition that may take place.

Moved by Commissioner Mallozzi. Seconded by Commissioner Curran.

Motion passed 4-1 with Commissioner Sims dissenting.

11. CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Loucks announced that the City Hall renovations are expected to be complete by mid-March. He reported that the Site Plan Approval for the Flamingo

Road Park project is now in the DRC process and will soon be presented to the Planning & Zoning Board and finally the Commission. If approved, the bid process and commencement of the work should begin this summer. He explained that the new Quarterly Report format includes a table for various project statuses, including the bus bench project which has recently completed the permit process and the County is ready for their contractor to begin installation.

12. COMMISSIONERS' CONCERNS/REPORTS

Commissioner Green said that the olive branch is still extended to BSO. He thanked Chief Cates for providing critical incident training for District 16 in response to requests from an active community member who sought to have such training provided for our local law enforcement personnel. He extended his support to the Cooper City Purple Posse Relay for Life team.

Commissioner Curran explained that he hopes that the workshop provides a cooperative solution to the rescue staffing issue and that it is done with all parties amicably, mutually agreeable for the best interest of the community. He thanked all of the residents for their support and participation with Relay for Life and reported that 62 teams have raised \$75,000.00 to date, which is 13 teams and \$9,000.00 ahead of last year's tally.

Commissioner Mallozzi expressed her hopes for the upcoming workshop and expressed concerns over future negotiations when the current contract expires.

Commissioner Sims extended his best wishes for the families of Commissioner Curran and Chief Caruso.

Mayor Ross expressed his well wishes for the families of Chief Caruso and Commissioner Curran and his eagerness to reach a compromise with BSO Fire/Rescue and Chief Stravino. He reported the Public Records Bill appears to have potential for passing with changes, to the chagrin of media outlets such as the Sun-Sentinel who spoke in opposition to placing any restrictions on "nuisance" requests at the League of Mayors conference.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 PM.

NOTICE: This meeting is open to the public. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, all persons who are disabled and who need special accommodations to participate in this meeting because of that disability should contact the Office of the City Clerk, 954-434-4300 ext. 220, not later than two days prior to such proceeding. One or more members of the City of Cooper City Advisory Boards may be in attendance and may participate at the meeting. Anyone wishing to appeal any decision made by the Cooper City Commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Agenda items may be viewed online at www.coopercityfl.org or at the Office of the City Clerk, City of Cooper City, 9090 SW 50 Place, Cooper City, Florida, 33328, 954-434-4300.