



**CITY OF COOPER CITY  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
November 20, 2018 at 6:30 PM**

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Ross opened the meeting at 6:30 PM with Austin Cothran of Embassy Creek leading the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. OATH OF OFFICE/ROLL CALL**

- A. Massimo "Max" Pulcini**, Commissioner District 1
- B. Howard Meltzer**, Commissioner District 2

Present were Commissioners Meltzer, Pulcini, Green, Curran and Mayor Ross.

**3. CHANGES TO AGENDA/EMERGENCY MATTERS**

None.

**4. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

The Commission made the following announcements:

- If you are interested in taking an active role in your city government and would like to volunteer for one of our Advisory Boards please complete a Citizens Resource Sheet found on the City's website at [www.coopercityfl.org](http://www.coopercityfl.org) under the City Clerks tab.
- The countywide Mayors' Chess Challenge will be held on Saturday December 15, 2018 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the Coconut Creek Community Center located at 81100 Lyons Road. On Saturday December 21, 2018 in Dania Beach from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at CW Thomas Park located at 100 NW 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue. January 19, 2019 in Deerfield Beach from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the Weston Community Center located at 20200 Saddle Club Road. The Open Play Chess continues every third Saturday of each month from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the Pool & Tennis Center. Instruction is available. For more information, call 954-434-7300.
- Cooper City's annual Autism Awareness Day will be held on Sunday, November 25, 2018 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Cooper City Fire Station.
- Registration begins Monday, November 26, 2018 for the annual Visits with Santa Program. The stops will be on Saturday December 15, 2018

and December 16, 2018. Registrations are accepted in person only. For more information call the Santa Program Hotline at 954-436-7310.

- The City of Cooper City in conjunction with Wheelabrator will hold the Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics drop off on Saturday, December 8, 2018, at the Wheelabrator located at 4400 S State Rd 7, Davie, FL 33314.
- The Holiday Home Decoration Contest deadline to register is Friday November 30, 2018.
- Cooper City Recreation will host the annual Light Up Cooper City event on Friday December 7, 2018 at 6:00 PM in Memorial Park.
- Brunch with Santa will be held on December 14, 2018 at 10:00 AM in the cafeteria of Cooper City High School. Tickets are available now. For more information, call 954-434-4300 Ext. 233.
- Movie in the Park Holiday Edition will be held on Friday December 21, 2018 at 6:00 PM in Memorial Park. The featured movie is Polar Express. For more information, call 954-434-4300 Ext. 233.
- Upcoming meeting dates will be voted upon later in the meeting. Check the City's website for upcoming meetings, workshops and hearings at [www.coopercityfl.org](http://www.coopercityfl.org).

The Commission made the following announcements:

- a. Yard of the Month was presented to Lazaro and Dunia Hernandez.
- b. Stan Bostic accepted a Proclamation for Rick Case Bikes for Kids.

Mayor Ross read a letter of resignation from City Attorney David Wolpin.

## **5. PUBLIC SPEAKING**

### **a. Open Public Meeting**

Jimmy Goulet, 5215 SW 90 Ter spoke on costs of the bond referendum.

Jay and Lydia Silver, 10410 SW 56<sup>th</sup> St, spoke on the 8ft border fence between Biltmore Groves and Ranchette Isles.

Jen Goldfarb, 11869 SW 55 St, spoke on a prior Commissioners comment about Girl Scouts utilization of city facilities.

John Sims, spoke on the honor of working with the Commission.

David Nall, 3620 NW 89th Way, congratulated the new members of the Commission and spoke on the bond referendum expenses.

Mike Buffalo, 11648 SW 59 St, congratulated the new members of the Commissioners and spoke on the resident's need for transparency.

Sue Ellen Fardelman, former Mayor congratulated the new members of the Commission.

**b. Agenda Concerns**

None

**6. LAND DEVELOPMENT MATTERS**

(Florida court rulings now require all land development matters to be considered by the City Commission in a quasi-judicial process. All persons who wish to give testimony or present evidence must be sworn in. Copies of the complete procedures are available in the Office of the City Clerk).

**a. Ordinance on Second Reading: Rezoning Petition z 10-1-17 – Primrose School (Tabled from October 23, 2018)**

Interim City Attorney Pearl read, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A REZONING TO AMEND THE MONTERRA PMUD DESIGN GUIDELINES OF THE MONTERRA DEVELOPMENT, IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH THE COMMERCIAL DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR PARCEL C-3; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

Ex Parte Communications:

Commissioner Pulcini: Andrea Keiser

Commissioner Meltzer: Andrea Keiser and Ann Bruckner

Commissioner Green: Andrea Keiser and Ellyn Bogdanoff

Commissioner Curran: Andrea Keiser

Mayor Ross: Andrea Keiser, John Warren and Ellen Bogdanoff and the owners.

Growth Management Director Matt Wood read the staff report.

Andrea Keiser attorney for Primrose School gave a presentation.

Ellyn Bogdanoff spoke on her role as executive director.

Mayor Ross opened the public hearing.

Alison Gaylen, 2952 St Thomas Dr, spoke on the infrastructure in Monterra and the irrigation project that will be starting soon.

Ryan Shrouder, 11540 SW 56 St, spoke on the petitioner asking for a unrestricted right and traffic concerns.

Mike Bufalo, 11648 SW 59 St, spoke on tax exempt status on the property.

Jen Goldfarb, 11869 SW 55 St spoke on her concern with franchise businesses and her concerns about fences at Pioneer.

Mayor Ross closed the public hearing.

**MOTION:** To approve Ordinance

**Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. Commissioner Meltzer, Green and Mayor Ross Yes. Commissioners Pulcini and Curran, No. Motion passed.**

**b. Resolution No. 18-10-4 (Site Plan) (Tabled from October 23, 2018)**

Interim City Attorney Pearl read, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE SITE PLAN PETITION #SP 11-1-17 FROM PRIMROSE PRESCHOOL, SUBJECT TO STIPULATIONS AND CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE" by title.

**MOTION:** To approve Resolution 18-10-4

**Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. Commissioner Meltzer, Green and Mayor Ross Yes. Commissioners Pulcini and Curran, No. Motion passed.**

**c. Motion to approve a Sign Waiver application (#SW 11-1-17) and Sign Package Petitions (#SI 11-1-17) as submitted by Primrose School (Tabled from October 23, 2018)**

**MOTION:** To approve Sign Waiver

**Moved by Commissioner Green. Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. Commissioner Meltzer, Green and Mayor Ross Yes. Commissioners Pulcini and Curran, No. Motion passed.**

**7. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Police Chief Cates congratulated both new Commissioners and mentioned they both have been members of CERT. Chief Cates advised the Halloween events went very well at City Potential Church and Christ the Rock events with no incidents reported. On Wednesday November 7, there was an incident with an individual exposing himself to a young female. BSO identified the vehicle and located the subject and a photo lineup was setup. A confession from the subject was received. The License Plate Readers are a success, helping in incidents in Countryside shops. The Shred-a-thon event was a huge success with 650 people participating. The Veterans Day event was also a success with honor guard participating. Chief Cates also advised of two vacancies.

**8. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

Fire Chief Caruso congratulated the two new Commissioners and advised that the number of events during Halloween did not affect Stirling Road or room for emergency vehicles. Chief advised he added extra coverage but no calls were made. Fire concerns are heightened during the holiday season especially turkey frying, please exercise caution this holiday season. The 11<sup>th</sup> annual Santa program sign up will be held on November 26, 2018 the

Recreation department will be giving out information bags during events this December.

## **9. CONSENT AGENDA**

### **a. Minutes**

1. Regular City Commission meeting minutes October 23, 2018

### **b. Financial Matters**

1. Motion to approve utilization of contracts with Imperial Electric, Inc. and Electrical Contracting Services, Inc. - **Public Works**
2. Motion to approve the purchase and implementation of a customer web portal and mobile application from Ferguson Waterworks, for water and sewer customer service - **Utilities**

### **c. Resolutions**

#### **1. Resolution 18-11-1: (Utilities)**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A WATER AND SEWER DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT WITH XIAOXIA HE AND INGRID WU AT 4001 NW 92 AVENUE, ROYAL PALM RANCHES, COOPER CITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**MOTION:** To approve Consent Agenda

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

## **10. REGULAR AGENDA**

### **a. Public Safety Advisory Board Update – Finance**

City Manager Loucks advised of obtaining information requested by the Board at the last meeting.

### **b. City Manager recruitment options – City Clerk/Dir. of Admin Services**

Consensus was reached to postpone Item 10-b

### **c. December meeting schedule – Administration**

**MOTION:** To approve Meeting schedule as follows: December 11, 2018 Workshop on Land Use Plan Amendment and December 18, 2018 Regular Commission Meeting

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

**MOTION:** To approve a Budget Workshop on December 4, 2018.

**Moved by Commissioner Pulcini Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. Commissioners Green and Curran, No. Commissioners Pulcini, Meltzer and Mayor Ross, Yes. Motion Passed.**

d. Discussion on P25 radios – **Administration/Finance**

**MOTION:** To approve P25 radios

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

### **11. CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Loucks stated that construction of the three bus stops by the County would start on November 26, 2018 with a project duration of 60 days. Public Works has met with the Broward County traffic-engineering department regarding guardrails on 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Staff also asked that a bus stop located on southbound Palm Avenue be moved. City Manager Loucks also advised that a goal setting meeting be scheduled at the Commissions discretion.

**MOTION:** To extend

**Moved by Commissioner Meltzer Seconded by Commissioner Pulcini. All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.**

### **12. COMMISSIONERS' CONCERNS/REPORTS**

Commissioner Pulcini made a motion to suspend City Manager Bruce Loucks and nominate Finance Director Marie Elianor as interim City Manager.

**MOTION:** Suspend City Manager Bruce Loucks and nominate Finance Director Marie Elianor as interim City Manager

**Moved by Commissioner Pulcini Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer.**

**Motion withdrawn**

**MOTION:** Suspend City Manager Bruce Loucks subject to his employment conditions.

**Moved by Commissioner Pulcini Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. Commissioners Green and Curran, No. Commissioners Pulcini, Meltzer and Mayor Ross, Yes. Motion passed**

**MOTION:** To appoint Finance Director Marie Elianor as Interim City Manager

**Moved by Commissioner Pulcini Seconded by Commissioner Meltzer. Commissioners Green and Curran, No. Commissioners Motion passed.**

Commissioner Green advised he disagrees with the way things have taken place tonight and wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Commissioner Curran wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Ross welcomed the two new Commissioners and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving as well as wishing Bruce Loucks the best.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 PM.