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Sign-Up for E-Bill

The Cooper City Utility Department is now offering E-Billing. Residents may now sign up to receive their monthly bill via email. Call 954-434-4300, Option 1 or send email address to UtilityBilling@CooperCityFL.org.

RV Storage List

The RV Storage Lot Waiting List may now be viewed on the City website: www.CooperCityFL.org

Fireworks & Pets

While fireworks can be fun for people, they can be frightening and dangerous for animals. Some of our 4-legged friends require medication, while others may startle and run away, or injure themselves. We ask our residents to please be good neighbors when considering fireworks as part of your celebration. If you do use them, please clean-up debris as fireworks contain chemicals and metals which are harmful to animals. Thank you!

Hurricane Season Means Tree Trimming

Are your trees ready for the next storm? How about your landscaping? Weak and stressed trees are easy victims to high winds and heavy rainfall. Proper trimming of trees and landscape vegetation can help to prevent potential damage to your home. For tree trimming questions, you may contact the City Arborist at 954-434-2300.

With that being said, it's also important not to wait until the last minute for tree and landscape trimming. All too often, as the community is receiving warnings of a storm making landfall, residents begin trimming their trees and piling landscape debris along the side of the road. This practice may create a hazard for your neighbors.

We encourage you to take advantage of upcoming bulk collection dates. Bulk Collec-

tion for the month of JULY will be dedicated to VEGETATION ONLY.

Don't forget, there are limitations to the amount of vegetation that may be placed curbside during bulk pick-up. Please keep in mind that your maximum total bulk trash pick-up shall be six (6) cubic yards under 40 pounds per item. That's about the size of six (6) mattresses piled on top of each other. Large root balls, massive trunks or trunk sections (over the weight limit), rocks, sod, and vegetation cut by landscape contractors are not allowed and will not be collected.

We can keep our fingers crossed that Cooper City will not experience any hurricanes this season, but it's better to be safe than sorry. If we all work together we can keep our Tree City someplace special! 

COOPER CITY EVENTS CALENDAR

JUNE

- 01 Touch-A-Truck
- 01 Cooper City Chess Challenge
- 04 Commission Special Workshop:
School Traffic
- 08 Cooper City Chess Challenge
- 11 Help with Homestead Exemption
- 14 Father & Son Adventure
- 15 Cooper City Chess Challenge
- 15 Household Hazardous Waste
- 18 City Commission Regular Meeting
- 22 Dive-In Movie
- 22 Cooper City Chess Challenge
- 29 Cooper City Chess Challenge

JULY

- 04 CITY HALL CLOSED
- 06 Cooper City Chess Challenge
- 09 Help with Homestead Exemption
- 09 Commission Budget Workshop
- 11 Commission Budget Workshop
- 12 Eat to the Beat Food Truck Event
- 13 Cooper City Chess Challenge
- 16 City Commission Regular Meeting
- 16 Florida Licensing on Wheels (FLOW)
- 20 Cooper City Chess Challenge
- 20 Household Hazardous Waste
- 27 Cooper City Chess Challenge

AUGUST

- 03 Cooper City Chess Challenge
- 10 Cooper City Chess Challenge
- 10 Household Hazardous Waste
- 13 Help with Homestead Exemption
- 17 Cooper City Chess Challenge
- 20 City Commission Regular Meeting
- 24 Cooper City Chess Challenge
- 24 Paws at the Park
- 28 Reserve Tickets for the Mom &
Son Night of Fun
- 31 Cooper City Chess Challenge

REGULAR BULK PICK-UP SCHEDULE:

JUNE 17 - 22 / JULY 15 - 20 (VEGETATION ONLY) / AUGUST 19 - 24

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Help with Sewer Back-Up?

Call us **FIRST!** Sewer backups are relatively rare, but they can be an unfortunate, nasty, and expensive mess when they do happen. Please call the City's Utility Department at 954-434-5519 **BEFORE** you call a plumber! We are available 24 hours a day and the visit is free. If the problem is on the City side we will resolve it. If you call a plumber before you call us, the plumber will charge you regardless, so **PLEASE** call us first. We're here to help! 🍃

Download the SeeClickFix App

What's the best way to report an issue in your neighborhood? **SeeClickFix** mobile app and web tools allow Cooper City residents to report issues with pictures, specific descriptions, and more. It's easy to provide valuable information to get the job done efficiently. You may view, comment, and vote to fix problems submitted by your neighbors, as well as track the status of concerns. Download the mobile app or visit the City website to learn more at www.CooperCityFL.org. 🍃

Watch for Pedestrians - School's Out June 4th!

Broward Sheriff's Office

Follow us @browardsheriff
sheriff.org #saferby4

WATER SAFETY TIPS

If a child is missing, **check the water first.**

Be aware of **potential dangers** when visiting other homes or traveling.

Empty all **tubs, buckets, containers** and **wading pools** immediately after use.

Install and maintain **drain covers** to prevent entrapment and entanglement.

Learn how to perform **rescue breathing** and **CPR**. Keep a phone and **rescue equipment** poolside.

Pools and spas should always be closed and equipped with **barriers and alarms**.

Provide constant, close and competent **adult supervision** of children at all times, in or near the water.

Enroll your child in **swim lessons**.

WATER EMERGENCY PLAN

- 1 CALL 9-1-1**
- 2 REMOVE VICTIM FROM THE WATER**
- 3 PERFORM CPR IF NECESSARY**

GIVE TWO BREATHS

» If not breathing normally, pinch nose and cover mouth with your mouth and give two full breaths.

PUSH 30 TIMES

» Position your hands on the center of the chest. Place one hand on top of the other. Push down firmly two inches and push the chest 30 times, hard and fast.

Repeat steps 1 and 2, providing 2 breaths and 30 pushes, until help arrives.

NFIP Program Provides Flood Insurance Discounts

Flooding is the most common natural disaster in the country and can happen anywhere. Cooper City residents live in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), which is a zone where flooding may occur in the event of a heavy rainfall, hurricane or other natural disaster. Flood insurance is available to all residents as a result of the City's participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

In order to help residents save money on their flood insurance premiums, the City of Cooper City participates in the NFIP's voluntary Community Rating System (CRS), which recognizes communities whose efforts go beyond the NFIP's minimum standards. Therefore, the NFIP offers homeowners a discount on their flood insurance premiums each year, which currently reflects a Class 7 Rating or a 15% savings for all Cooper City residents and businesses.

KNOW YOUR FLOOD ZONE

Everyone should know in which flood zone their property is located. Contact our consultant, CRS Max Consultants at 954-421-7794 or email CRSMaxInc@bellsouth.net to learn a property's flood zone, if there are known drainage problems and/or historical flooding in the area, and if a property is located near an area that should be protected

due to its natural floodplain functions. You may contact the City's Growth Management Department for this and/or an Elevation Certificate by calling 954-434-4300, ext. 249 or submitting a request online at www.coopercityfl.org.

PURCHASE FLOOD INSURANCE

There is a 30-day waiting period for most flood insurance to become effective after purchase. Standard homeowners' insurance typically does not cover damage from rising waters. Flood insurance is available for homeowners, renters, and business owners, covering your building and its contents. Call your insurance agent or go to the website FloodSmart.gov to find an agent and to learn more about protecting yourself and your property from flooding.

LET US KNOW ABOUT STORM DRAIN ISSUES

Call 954-434-5519 to report a storm drain that is clogged with debris. Remember, storm drains are for storm water ONLY. Anything that goes into the drain goes directly into our lakes, ponds, and aquifers. Cooper City has ordinances that enforce NO DUMPING in the storm drains, lakes and canals. Please call Code Compliance at 954-436-7335 to report illegal dumping. 

Drainage Project is Making Significant Progress



The construction project designed to alleviate significant flooding problems in the Natalie's Cove and Flamingo Townhomes neighborhoods, that began almost one year ago, is approximately 75% complete, and the northern half of the project has been restored, including SW 51st Street and the northern half of SW 122nd Avenue. The drainage pipes and structures are about 90% complete, so

progress toward completion should accelerate (weather permitting). Residents look forward to improved drainage in these Cooper City neighborhoods that have been subject to flooding during heavy rain events in the past.

This project involved the construction of a new 48-inch diameter storm drain pipe on SW 122nd Ave from SW 49th Street to the lake immediately east of the Countryside Shops. The scope of this project also included widening the lake by approximately 30 feet along its eastern bank. All disturbed areas will be completely restored, and the lake bank will be planted with native, wetland plants.

Although we do understand that a project of this magnitude is bound to affect surrounding neighborhoods, we have made every reasonable effort to minimize disruptions to the surrounding community. We thank the Natalie's Cove and Flamingo Townhomes communities for their patience during this lengthy improvement project. For more information please call 954-434-5519 or send an email to jmolaschi@coopercityfl.org. 



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Community Emergency Response Team Graduates



15 Cooper City residents dedicated 9 weeks of Thursday nights to complete the FEMA Community Emergency Response Team Basic Training Class. Each of the residents were also trained in CPR and participated in a final disaster drill at Fire Station 28 where they had the opportunity to apply their training. The scenario included Incident

Command, portable radio use, fire extinguishment, triage & medical care for injured victims, and search & rescue. All of these tasks not only tested their skills, but also tested their ability to work together as a team.

We are grateful for these residents who have elected to participate in Cooper City's CERT program and the training that this responsibility entails. CERT Program Manager Donna Maksymowich, District Chief Robert Palestrant, and District Chief Bruce Caruso assisted in teaching, while DE Tony Greco and FF/PM Pete Heng provided CPR instruction. Current Cooper City CERT members also attended and assisted with the training. We look forward to having these new members join our Cooper City CERT. If you are interested in learning more please visit the www.coopercityfl.org or call Reyna Varela at 954-432-8905.