

In case you missed it, the following are highlights from the January 11, 2023, Cape Coral City Council meeting.

City Council Advises Staff to Implement Safety Measures at North Cape Intersection

Due to an increase in traffic safety issues at the intersection of Del Prado Blvd. and De Navarra Pkwy., multiple private parties are working towards placing a traffic signal at the intersection.

The process of designing, purchasing, building, and installing the traffic signal will take several months to a year to be installed. In the interim, the City is implementing changes at the intersection to restrict movements across the De Navarra Parkway and Del Prado Boulevard intersection by limiting directional left turns from Del Prado Boulevard, restricting the left and thru movements from De Navarra Parkway, and allowing right turns only. Changes will be implemented beginning Tuesday, January 17, and will be completed by Saturday, January 21.

Council Approves Terminating Waiver of Fees for Emergency Hurricane Permits

Resolution 2-23 allows staff to resume collection of permit fees for hurricane-related repairs. From October 12 through December 31, the City waived approximately \$1,084,587 in permit fees for Hurricane Ian-related building permits and issued 13,637 permits for the repair of damages caused by Hurricane Ian.

Council Approves Extending Habitable Structure Emergency

Resolution 10-23 allows residents whose homes have been declared uninhabitable to continue living in temporary structures on their property. These units will require approved permits in accordance with the Land Development Code.

Hurricane Ian Recovery Update

- Thursday, January 12, is the last day to apply for assistance with the SBA.
- The FEMA Disaster Recovery Center at Lake Kennedy Center is still open to assist individuals based on their unique needs.

Hurricane Debris Update

- The last day for residents to place debris curbside to be removed by the debris hauler is Saturday, January 21. This deadline allows the City's contracted debris hauler to complete its final pass by the end of the month.
- Once the final pass has been completed, the property owner must remove any leftover debris.
- Debris can be taken to the below sites
 - Resource Recovery Facility: 10500 Buckingham Road, Fort Myers, FL 33905.
 Open from Monday Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 6 a.m. to noon. This facility will take horticulture and construction and demolition debris but will not accept shingles.
 - Lee/Hendry Regional Solid Waste Disposal Facility: 5500 Church Road, Felda, FL 33930. Open from Monday Friday from 7 a.m. 4 p.m. and Saturday from 7 a.m. noon. This facility will take horticulture and construction and demolition debris.
 - Residential Bulk Waste Drop-off Site: The entrance is off NW 14th Avenue.
 Open Tuesday Saturday from 8 a.m. 4 p.m.
- The City is working with Waste Pro on replacement carts. There are about 10,000 that need to be replaced.
- Land-based canal debris removal is continuing. Marine-based canal debris removal is starting this week.

Permitting Progress Update

- Effective January 17, the City Hall Permitting Counter will only accept and verify permit
 application documents. Permits will not be immediately issued at the Permitting
 Counter. To receive most types of permits immediately, apply through the City's Self-Service portal at www.CapeCoral.gov/energov.
- Permit and inspection status information is public record and is easily accessible at <u>www.CapeCoral.gov/energov</u>. You can find permit and inspection information using the permit number or the address.

Upcoming Public Meetings

A Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.