

In case you missed it, the following are highlights from the August 27, 2025, Cape Coral City Council meeting.

Council Establishes Solid Waste Rates for Commercial, Large-Scale Residential Council approved Resolution 242-25, establishing solid waste collection rates for commercial establishments and large-scale multi-family residential dwellings. These rates are part of the City of Cape Coral Mandatory Refuse Collection Program.

Council Accepts Grant Funding for the Planting of Native Trees at Crystal Lake Park Council approved Resolution 254-25, accepting \$50,000 in grant funding from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to plant 300 native, wind-resistant trees within Crystal Lake Park; and authorizing the City to provide a matching contribution in the amount of \$12,500.

Council Establishes Final Amounts for the Following Assessments:

- Resolution 240-25 relates to the City's provision of lot mowing services for
 participating vacant parcels in Cape Coral. City Council increased the lot mowing
 assessments for an Equivalent Lot Unit (5,000 SF) in Districts 2, 3, and 4 by an
 average of nearly \$2.94. District 1's assessment decreased by \$15.94 due to a
 previous-year increase implemented to complete vacant lot cleanup from Hurricane
 lan. These rates apply only to properties participating in the City's Lot Mowing
 program.
- Resolution 241-25 relates to the City's provision of solid waste collection and disposal services, facilities, and programs. City Council increased the Solid Waste assessment by 11.1 percent, for an additional \$38.49 per dwelling unit.
- Resolution 243-25 relates to the City's provision of fire protection services, facilities, and programs. It establishes the estimated cost of fire protection assessment rates for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025. In general, City Council increased the Fire Protection Preliminary Assessment for Tier 1 rates by 25.28% and Tier 2 rates by 13.03%. City Council increased the assessment for properties with a structure value equal to the "average single-family value of \$261,998" by 20.82% for an additional \$91.28. The assessment is increased to 81% cost recovery.
- Resolution 244-25 relates to the City's provision of stormwater services, helping fund the City's stormwater program. City Council increased the stormwater fee by \$7, changing the rate from \$149 to \$156.

Upcoming Public Meetings

A Regular Meeting of the Cape Coral City Council is scheduled for Wednesday, September 3, 2025, beginning at 4 p.m. in Council Chambers.