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EXTERNAL MEMO

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To: Mr. Alex Rey
City Manager
City of Cooper City

From: Captain Christopher De Giovanni 
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Department of Law Enforcement

Subject: Police Chief's Report – Commission Meeting November 19, 2024

As requested at the June 14, 2022, commission meeting, please accept this memorandum as advanced notice of my police chief's report for the upcoming commission meeting. This report will follow the same flow of my prior reports, which is aimed at highlighting information pertinent to the city's main public safety concerns: traffic / schools, code, and crime. In addition, a community involvement and vacancy update will be included.

I. Traffic / School Report

- a. **Reading for the Record** – my team was excited to partner with our local schools on Wednesday, October 24th, for a statewide reading effort. Our SROS and deputies took time to visit our public and charter schools to read books to the kids. The interaction(s) were important to both encourage reading and to further our partnership with the schools.
- b. **Cooper City Walkapalooza** – on Friday, October 25, our traffic deputies assisted CCE staff with a road closure in support of their "walkapalooza" fundraiser. The event went well with no major safety or traffic concerns.
- c. **Solidarity March** – our team assisted with both an escort and traffic closures along Stirling Rd. on October 27 in support of the special permitted *solidarity march*. Additionally, we assisted in pre-event planning and security review. Overall, the event went well with no major security concern.



II. Code Report

- a. The **commercial plaza initiative** continues with weekly maintenance compliance sweeps. No major concerns or developments to report.
- b. The monthly **gate compliance checks** have continued monthly. No new or major issues to report.
- c. **Proactive Code Sweep** – our Code Enforcement Team conducted a proactive and afterhours quality-of-life sweep from October 15th – 19th. Overall, the operation was deemed a success:
 - o **(141) total cases were opened**
 - (58) Code Warnings were generated, resulting in (28) enforcement citations for non-compliance issued upon re-inspection. *Hence, a 52% compliance rate.*
 - Most of these violations were for bulk trash, commercial vehicle, and parking on the lawn.
 - Additionally, (55) parking citations were issued; of which the majority were related to the city's recently amended code change for sec. 17-18. Most of these citations were issued in the Solano area based on the new mechanism provided by the revised ordinance.
- d. We would like to remind the residents that they can educate themselves of the city code by browsing municode online, subscribing to the city's weekly e-newsletter, or by contacting your local Code Enforcement Team for general inquires (954-432-9000).

III. Crime Report

- a. **LPR Arrest, Narcotics Arrest** – on October 20, 2024, our deputies were alerted to an overdue rental entering our city. The deputies quickly located the vehicle and conducted a felony stop. The investigation resulted in the arrest of two subjects who were in possession of trafficking amounts of illegal narcotics, along with the recovery of the vehicle.
- b. **LPR Arrest, Wanted Felon** – on October 24, 2024, our CST Detectives were alerted to a felon entering our city near Griffin and Palm. The detectives quickly located and apprehended the wanted subject, removing him from the streets of Cooper City.
- c. **PSU Arrest, Narcotics Seized** – on October 28, 2024, one of our Priority Service Unit (PSU) deputies observed a suspicious vehicle in our city. Investigation resulted in a traffic stop which yielded the seizure of a large amount of narcotics, to include over six hundred grams of cannabis. Additionally, two firearms were recovered on the subjects.
- d. **New LPR Installations Finalized** – four new LPR / camera combo sites are being finalized next week, expanding our Real-Time Crime Center reach and public safety arm. This is in fulfillment of the April 30th, 2024, commission-approved / budgeted project. The (2) FDOT and (1) SFWMD right-of-way sites are still pending permit approval.

IV. Community Involvement / Misc. Report

- a. **Clergy Appreciation Brunch** – our team had the privilege to host a *Clergy Appreciation Brunch* which had been rescheduled to October 30. We enjoyed honoring and interacting with a couple dozen of our local clergy, thanking them for the important role they play in our community. A special thanks to the city manager, mayor, and commissioners who were in attendance.
- b. **Vacation Home Watch REVAMPED** – our team has worked hard to research and implement a newly revamped home watch program for the residents of Cooper City. We are excited to share that a new online application of this program will now be forthcoming! The new inclusion will provide opportunity for streamlined communication and direct updates to the resident requesting the home watch. Please look to our Facebook page for the release of the new application (@CooperCityBSO)
- c. **Chanukah Celebration, Decorating w/ Deputies** – in anticipation of the late December Chanukah celebration, our team is inviting the community to an early kickoff on **December 4** to join us with a *donut decorating contest* at the Cooper City District / Police Station. This is a free event for up to fifty residents. Preregistration required. Join us in decorating a fun, kosher donut to gear up for Chanukah (@CooperCityBSO for more details).
- d. **Crafting with Cops, Ornament Making** – on **December 10** we will be hosting a free *crafting with cops* event at the Cooper City District / Police Station. Residents may sign-up to create their very own Christmas ornament alongside their local law enforcement team. This is a family / kid friendly event. We encourage you to register and join us for holiday fun (@CooperCityBSO for details).
- e. **SANTA LETTERS IS BACK** – the BSO Cooper City Police Explorers and Advisors are pleased to announce a return of *Santa Letters* to help bring in the holidays with fun and joy! Santa's mailbox will appear in the police station lobby on November 25th thru December 17th. Residents can drop off their kid(s) letter(s) to Santa any time during this period, and they can expect to receive a personal delivery from the *North Pole Elves* who may be escorted "lights and sirens" by the finest Santa helpers you can find. Residents are encouraged to support the Police Explorers with a special donation along with their letter. For more information, see our Facebook.

V. Vacancy Report

- a. As of the date of this report, I have one sworn vacancy and no non-sworn vacancies.