



CITY COMMISSION ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION

TITLE: **Ordinance 26-01 (Utilities)**

DATE: **January 13, 2026**

DESCRIPTION: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 19 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED "UTILITIES;" AMENDING ARTICLE III, ENTITLED "WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS;" BY SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 19-74, ENTITLED "APPLICATION FOR SERVICE;" AMENDING SECTION 19-107, ENTITLED "DEVELOPER AGREEMENTS;" AMENDING SECTION 19-143, ENTITLED "BONDING REQUIREMENTS;" PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF DEVELOPER AGREEMENTS AND UTILITY CONNECTIONS FOR PROPERTIES LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE RELEASE OF BONDS FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION; PROVIDING FOR THE DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE CITY MANAGER; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION:

The City Manager recommends that the Commission approve amendments to Chapter 19, Article III, Sections 19-74, 19-107, and 19-143, delegating authority to the City Manager to approve utility service applications for properties within the City, including development agreements and bond reductions upon completion of construction.

BACKGROUND OF ITEM:

The City of Cooper City provides utilities, including water and sewer services, to residents and businesses within the City. The existing City Code authorizes the City Commission to approve applications, developers' agreements, bonds, and bond reductions for new water and sewer connections. However, this process causes delays and unnecessary paperwork, even though the City is obligated to supply water services to its residents. The City Commission aims to delegate to the City Manager the authority to approve these applications for properties located within the City.

ANALYSIS:

Delegating the authority to approve new water and sewer connections within the City to the City Manager is in the best interest of residents. This ordinance change will make the Utility

Department more efficient in handling water and sewer connections and enable it to provide better customer service.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ordinance 26-01