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## **EXTERNAL MEMO**

Date: 11-09-22

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To: Mr. Joe Napoli  
City Manager  
City of Cooper City

From: Captain Christopher De Giovanni   
Cooper City District Chief  
Department of Law Enforcement

Subject: Police Chief's Report – Commission Meeting November 15, 2022

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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. We submitted a grant through our Grants Department to apply for the 2022 AAA Florida Traffic Safety Grant. The project presented was to install additional solar signage to assist with traffic control at key intersections and high-impact areas. If the grant is awarded, I will notify the manager and coordinate the project completion, accordingly.

### **II. Code Report**

- a. Code Enforcement conducted a proactive sweep to address quality-of-life issues last month, as previously shared. The results of the sweep were very positive: (89) total warning citations issued for various violations, to include commercial vehicles, parking on the lawn and over a catch basin. Upon re-inspection, eighty-two complied; only seven received violation citations. In addition, (31) parking citations were issued.
- b. The commercial plaza initiative continues with weekly maintenance

compliance sweeps. No major concerns or developments.

- c. Gate compliance: inspections and follow-up inspections have continued. Eleven locations complied, while twenty-five are working towards compliance. The remaining locations have until December to comply.

### III. Crime Report

- a. On November 3, 2022, we were notified of several break-ins that occurred at the Lighthouse Self Storage facility off Griffin Rd. Within hours, our detectives identified the suspect and obtained a search warrant for his nearby unit. Much of the stolen property was recovered and a warrant is being applied for his arrest.
- b. On November 7, 2022, we received a call of a burglary to a residence in-progress. Our deputies quickly responded to the scene and apprehended the suspect. This was an isolated incident and found to be domestic-related.
- c. On November 8, 2022, we were alerted of a stolen vehicle entering our city via one of our newly installed LPRs. The team was able to locate the vehicle and detain the occupants for investigation. The city's new technology is quickly making a positive impact to our public safety mission and response.
- d. The newly formed **Priority Service Unit (PSU)** has continued to make an immediate impact in public safety. Since the last report, they have made numerous arrests to include, narcotic-related, warrants, and stolen vehicle(s). In addition, they located and apprehended a suspicious U-Haul that was found to be loaded with stolen merchandise from numerous departmental stores.

### IV. Community Involvement Report

- a. Our Community Involvement Team participated in numerous Halloween events and festivities since my last report. In addition, our Halloween Operational Plan, which included a doubling of our road patrol staffing for visibility, was very successful. Our deputies handed out over two hundred bags of candy to kids during their patrols. We received numerous commendations from the public for our presence and involvement.
- b. We held a "Senior Safety Seminar" on November 3, 2022, to share holiday safety tips with our seniors ahead of the upcoming season.
- c. **Santa Letters** – we are excited to bring back the Explorer's "Santa Letters" this year! Cooper City residents may bring their children to the police station the day after Thanksgiving to start delivering their "letters to Santa". Our Police Explorers, along with the advisors, will be serving as Santa's elves and delivering personalized replies to each kid on behalf of Santa Claus! Call the police lobby or check our Facebook page (Cooper City BSO), for more info.

### V. Vacancy Report

- a. I have two non-sworn vacancy (CSA).
- b. There are no sworn vacancies.

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