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EXTERNAL MEMO

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

From: Lt. Jeffrey E. Tozzie
Cooper City District Executive Officer
Department of Law Enforcement

Subject: Police Chief's Report – Commission Meeting March 11, 2025

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. **Aggressive Driving Enforcement Campaign Continues in March** – our traffic team will be continuing to staff evening and weekend enforcement campaigns in March to proactively target aggressive driving and speeding throughout our city. As a result of their efforts, (268) citations were issued; 36% were for speeding or aggressive driving.

II. Code Report

- a. The **commercial plaza initiative** continues with weekly maintenance compliance sweeps. Regular and ongoing compliance cases are being opened to maintain standards.

- b. Code Enforcement is working with the city's contracted arborist to start working on commercial plaza site plan reviews. This project in 2025 will be aimed at finalizing the commercial plaza revitalization plan.
- c. The monthly **gate compliance checks** have continued monthly. No new or major issues to report.
- d. **Proactive Code Sweep** – between March 17th and March 22nd, Code Enforcement will be conducting a proactive code sweep throughout the city.
 - 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 inquiries (954-432-9000).
 - Code Enforcement conducted a proactive code sweep throughout the city in the month of February. As a result of the effort, (42) code warnings were issued and eleven citations upon reinspection.
 - **Further**, (10) citations for parking violations were issued and (2) shopping carts returned to commercial plazas; all in furtherance of beautification.

III. Crime Report

- a. **LPR Arrest, Recovered Stolen Vehicle** - on February 17, 2025, deputies were alerted to a stolen vehicle traveling westbound at Stirling Road and SW 118th Ave. Deputies observed the vehicle at 12277 SW 55th Street parked behind a warehouse. The vehicle was vacant, but deputies spoke with a witness who was parked next to the stolen vehicle. Two male suspects were spotted by the McDonalds located at 5986 S. Flamingo Road and there was a positive identification. The key to the stolen Mercedes was found along with the backpack that contained an unloaded firearm along with a small amount of cocaine and drug paraphernalia.
- b. **Felony Capias Arrest** – on February 26, 2025, CST Detectives Santiago and Martinez contacted a known subject, Efrain Garcia, who was known to have an active capias for Felony Aggravated Child Abuse. He immediately fled. A perimeter was established, multiple K-9 units responded and searched the perimeter for the suspect along with the district drone operator. A deputy was able to obtain the suspects cell phone number and telephone the suspect and convince him to surrender.

IV. Community Involvement / Misc. Report

- a. **Tip-A-Cop event** – on Wednesday, March 19th, our Community Involvement Team are hosting our Torch Run, Tip-A-Cop event at Sicilian Oven from 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM.
 - We encourage the public to attend, where they can not only support

a local business and meet their deputies but support Special Olympics in the process!

- b. **Crime Prevention Program** – our team has scheduled another *FREE catalytic convertor etching and painting* opportunity for the public on Saturday, March 22, 2025, from 8am to 11am.
 - This FREE program is a crime prevention program aimed at curbing catalytic convertor theft through proactive marking and registration.
 - To learn more or to sig-up, visit us on Facebook (@CooperCityBSO)
- c. **Crafting with Cops, Rock Painting** – on February 27th our Community Involvement Team hosted 50 participants partaking in a fun filled evening of rock painting alongside of some of their local deputies.
- d. **Cyberbullying Presentation** – on Wednesday February 26th at 11 am, our Community Involvement conducted a Cyberbullying Presentation for 50 middle school students at Lycee Franco-American School at 8900 Stirling Road.
- e. **Community Helpers Week** - our Community Involvement Team on Thursday, February 20th from 9 am to 11:30 am met with the Cooper City Christian Academy, 5201 S. Flamingo Rd, Kindergarten class through fourth grade. All had an opportunity to learn about the different aspects of Law Enforcement. Command staff, Motors, Traffic, Crime prevention and our K9 Bloodhound, Anthem along with Deputy K. Covet were represented.

V. Vacancy Report

- a. *As of the date of this report*, there are four sworn vacancies and two non-sworn vacancies.