



In case you missed it, the following are highlights from the August 26, 2026, Cape Coral City Council meeting.

Council Establishes Final Amounts for the Following Assessments for Fiscal Year 2026-2027:

- **Lot Mowing Program — Resolution 224-26:** This assessment applies only to participating properties in the City's four lot mowing districts. Annual rates are: District 1, \$151.78, an increase of \$5.41; District 2, \$52.99, an increase of \$4.94; District 3, \$56.95, an increase of \$5.51; and District 4, \$48.43, an increase of \$3.80. The program provides mowing and related maintenance services for participating vacant lots.
- **Solid Waste — Resolutions 220-26 and 222-26:** Council approved a 2.75% rate increase for commercial customers and larger multifamily properties. The annual rate for individual residential households remains unchanged at \$384.25.
- **Fire Services Assessment — Resolution 223-26:** Provides a dedicated funding source for fire-rescue services and facilities in the upcoming fiscal year. The flat-fee component decreased from \$349.32 to \$341.63, while the component based on structure value decreased from \$3.47 to \$3.16 per Equivalent Benefit Unit. For the average single-family home, the annual assessment decreased from \$540.17 to \$515.43, a savings of \$24.74, or approximately 4.6%. The assessment continues to recover 81% of eligible fire protection services costs.
- **Stormwater Assessment — Resolution 221-26:** Council approved a \$7 increase in the annual stormwater fee, from \$156 to \$163. Revenue supports the operation, maintenance, and improvement of the City's drainage system, including canals, pipes, street sweeping, inspections, canal dredging, and drainage upgrades intended to manage stormwater and reduce flooding risks.

Upcoming Public Meetings

A Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 2, 2026, beginning at 4 p.m. in Council Chambers.