



How the City of Weston Manages a Disaster

2016- An Overview



The City of Weston Municipal Code of Ordinances governs the City's actions during a declared state of local emergency

Chapter 60: Emergency Management

The City Manager

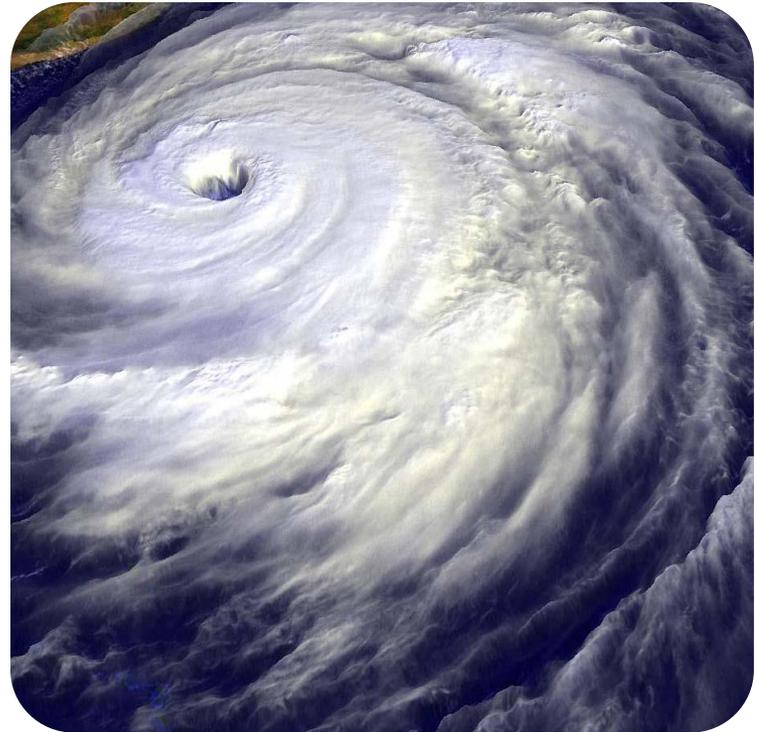
- Is the Director of Emergency Management
- Shall direct the creation, revision and exercise of the City's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan
- May issue Executive Orders necessary for the protection of life and property.

Chapter 60: Emergency Management

The City Manager and the Mayor

- ▶ The City Manager and the Mayor:

Jointly have the authority to declare a state of local emergency, pursuant to Chapter 252 Florida Statutes.



Chapter 60: Emergency Management The City Manager and the Mayor

- ▶ State of local emergency is limited to 7 days and may be extended in 7 day increments.
- ▶ The City Manager and the Mayor jointly establish or remove a curfew during a state of local emergency.



Chapter 60: Emergency Management

The City Commission

- ▶ **Declaration of a state of local emergency:**



The City Manager will call a meeting of the City Commission to appraise them as to the status of the state of local emergency and take any actions necessary.

Chapter 61: Disaster Access & Debris Removal

- ▶ **The City will clear debris from public and private rights-of-way only.**



- During the declared state of local emergency, communities with private rights-of-way, whether gated or un-gated, shall allow access to the City.
- Communities that have gatehouses that are unattended shall keep the gates open 24 hours per day.

Chapter 61: Disaster Access & Debris Removal

- ▶ **The City will not enter upon private properties to remove debris.**
- ▶ Burning of disaster debris is prohibited.
- ▶ The City will not remove stumps or other land cleared debris.



Chapter 61: Disaster Access & Debris Removal

- ▶ Separation is required for structural and vegetative debris.
- ▶ The City is not responsible for damage to sidewalks and mailboxes during debris clearing operations.



Chapter 62: Storm Shutters Regulations

- ▶ **Time of closure** – when the City falls within the Hurricane Center's 5-day Track Forecast Cone It lasts for a period of 10 days after the City is no longer within any 5-day Track Forecast Cone.
- ▶ Shutters must meet the requirements in the Florida Building Code.



Chapter 63: Hurricane Regulations

▶ During a Hurricane Watch: construction sites must comply with the requirements of the Florida Building Code & the City's Code of Ordinances.

- Secure the site or premises
- Removal or securing of potentially hazardous or loose objects
- City has the authority to enter and secure the site and be reimbursed for the cost



COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN



Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan

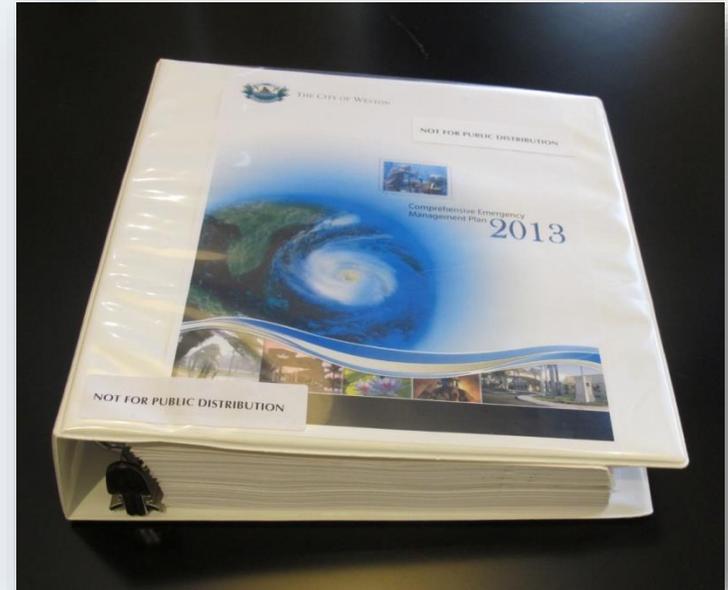
- ▶ Reduce the vulnerability of people and property from large scale disasters.
- ▶ Ensure an effective response to the impacts of critical incidents and disasters.
- ▶ Ensure long-term community recovery.



Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan

- ▶ Complies with:
 - Florida Statutes Chapter 252 (Emergency management powers of political subdivisions)
 - Florida Comprehensive Management Plan
 - Broward County Comprehensive Management Plan

- ▶ The City has adopted NIMS – The National Incident Management System



Training

- City Employees and service providers have NIMS certifications appropriate to their assigned tasks.
 - Continuing NIMS training and education.
 - Periodic disaster scenario table-top exercises & drills.
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Weston Emergency Operations Center

- ▶ Currently at the Weston Police Services Center
- ▶ A new facility is under construction located between City Hall and the Police Services Center.
 - Weston representation by BSO Weston District Law Enforcement and Fire Rescue Executive Officers are sent to the Broward County Emergency Operations Center



Weston Emergency Operations Center



EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER
WESTON, FLORIDA
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PERSPECTIVE VIEW
OPTION 3

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Stormwater Management

Indian Trace

Development District

- ▶ Two pump stations located at the north bank of the C-11 Canal (Griffin Road) that each discharge into the C-11 Canal.



Bonaventure

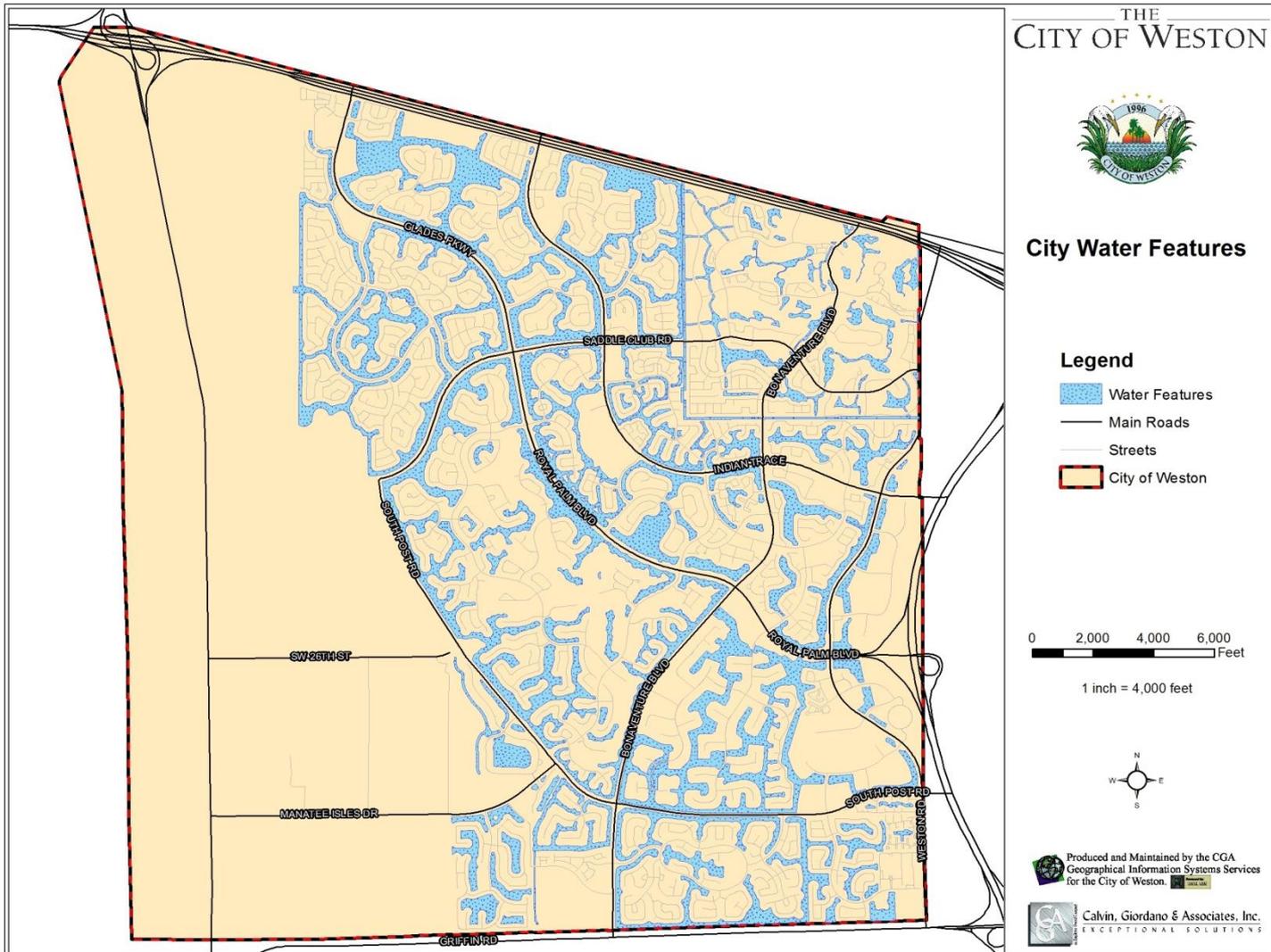
Development District

- ▶ Two pump stations located along St. Rd. 84 that discharge under I-75 to the New River Canal.

Discharge Rate

The rate of discharge of water is governed by permits issued by the South Florida Water Management District.

Stormwater Management



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Storm drains

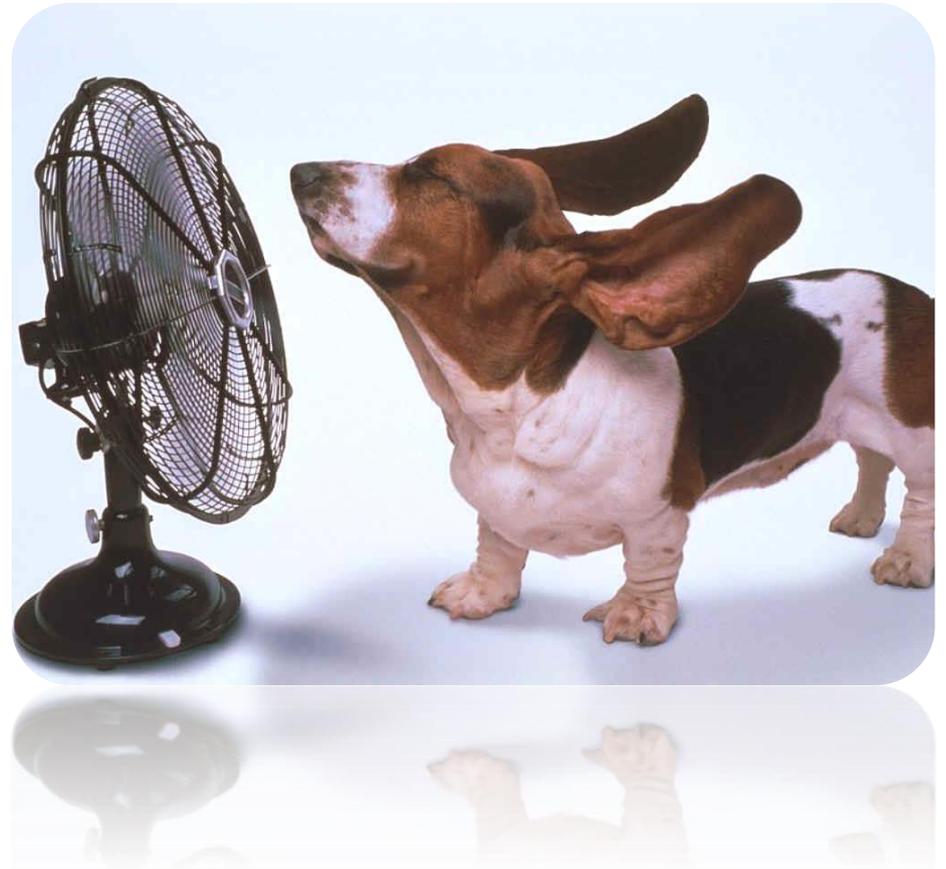
Residents are encouraged to keep catch basins near their home clear of debris.

In gated communities the HOA is responsible for maintenance.



Utilities

- ▶ **Electricity** –
Underground electric service is no guarantee of the power not going out. All electric service starts overhead.
- ▶ **Water** –
Service is dependent upon electric service at the plants in Sunrise and trees not uprooting water lines.



Debris Removal

- ▶ The City has contracts with three contractors for debris removal.



Hurricane Francis in 2004 – staging area for debris

Debris Removal

- ▶ The City has provisions within its grounds maintenance and tree trimming contracts for those contractors to be available for debris removal as needed.



- The City contracts with two contractors for debris monitoring.

Hurricane Wilma – Bonaventure Blvd.



After Hurricane Wilma

Trees saved, after quick response by contractors



Funding

- ▶ Disaster Management Appropriation
- ▶ Disaster Management Fund
- ▶ Stand-by Letter of Credit
- ▶ FEMA Reimbursement: 24 months...



Communications



Final Thought

- ❑ Someone will be first
- ❑ Someone will be last
- ❑ **Everyone** will be cared for

