



How the City of Weston Manages a Disaster

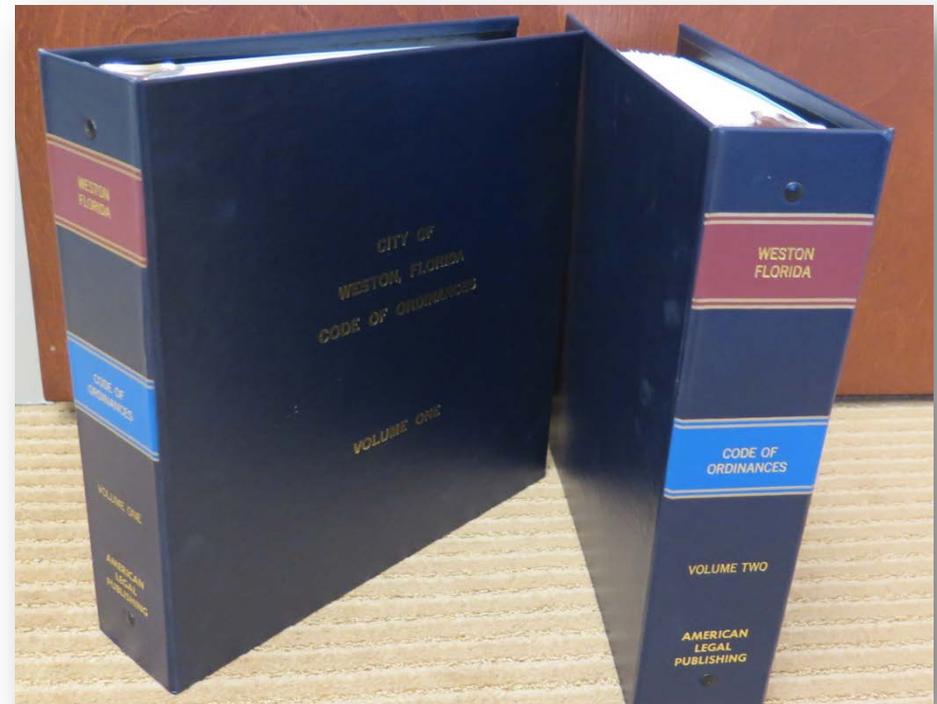
2015 - An Overview

Who Are You Gonna Call?



How the City of Weston Manages a Disaster

- 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.

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The City Manager and the Mayor

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



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The City Manager and the Mayor

- State of local emergency is limited to 7 days and may be extended in 7 day increments.
- May jointly establish or remove a curfew during a state of local emergency.



Chapter 60: Emergency Management

The City Commission

- Upon the 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** – allowed in an occupied home when the City falls within the National Hurricane Center’s 5-day Track Forecast Cone, and 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.

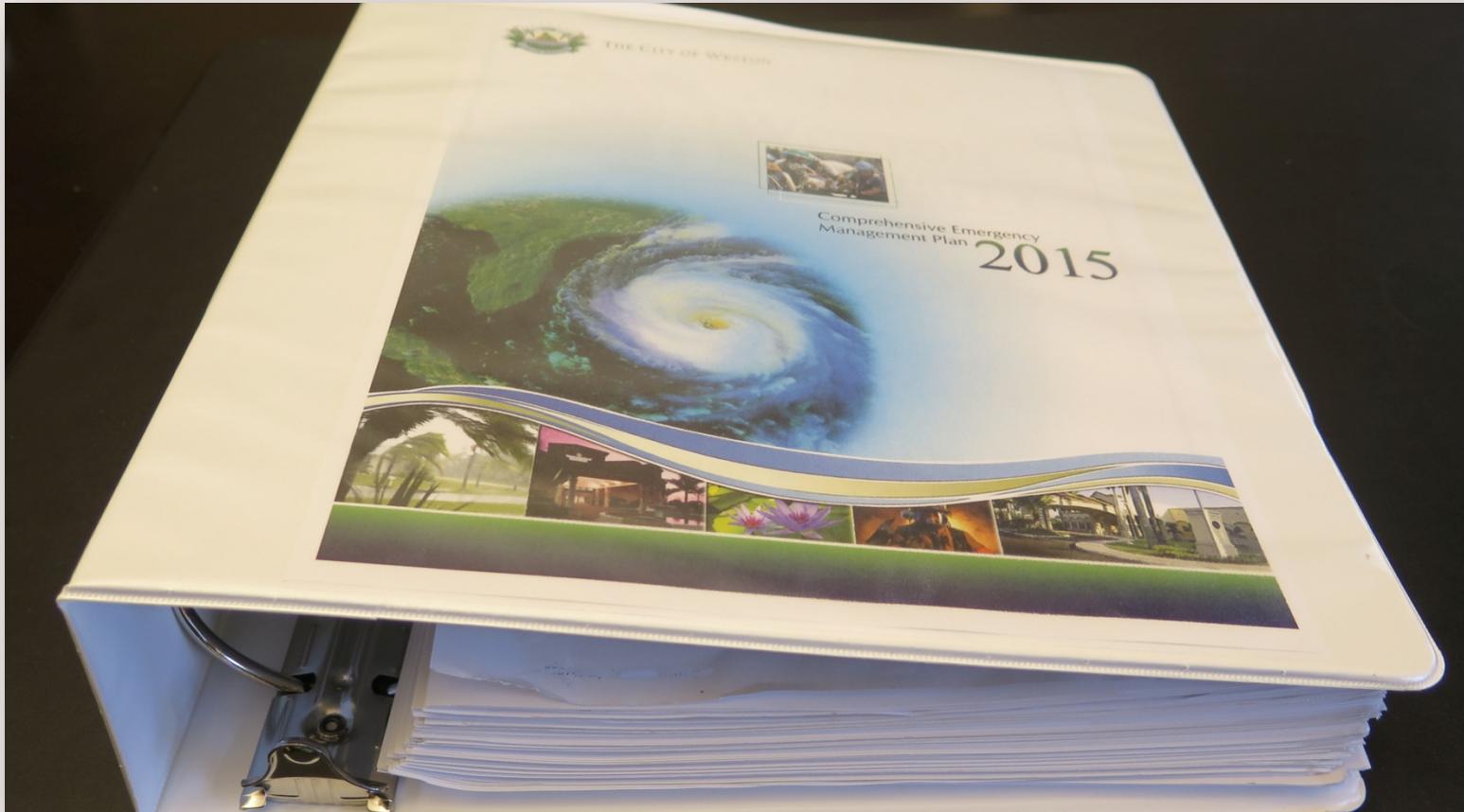


Chapter 63: Hurricane Regulations

- 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.

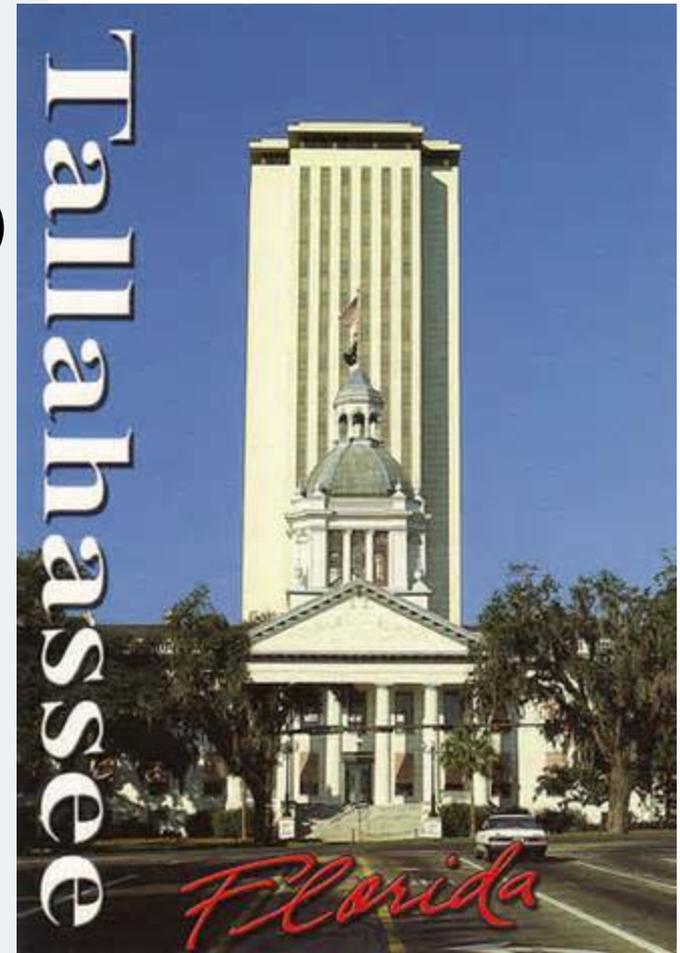


Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan

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



- Weston representation by BSO Weston District Law Enforcement and Fire Rescue Executive Officers are sent to the Broward County Emergency Operations Center

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.



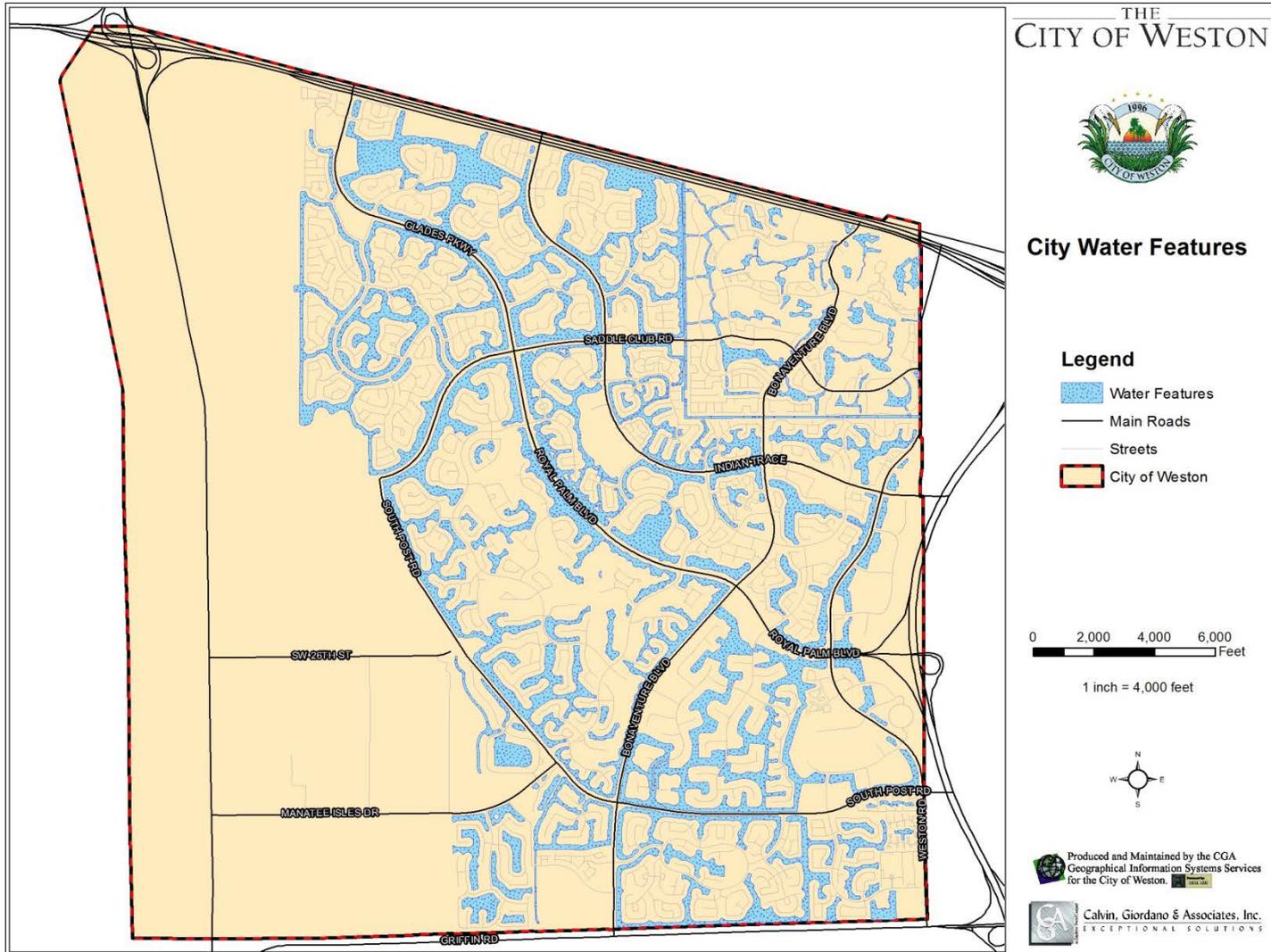
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Discharge Rate

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



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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.

**“ADOPT
A CATCH BASIN”**



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 – Weston Road



After Hurricane Wilma:
Approaching N. Corporate
Lakes Blvd.



Trees and hedges
restored with replanting
project (same location)

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

