



## **CITY OF FLORIDA CITY HURRICANE UPDATES**

### **MAYOR OTIS T. WALLACE DECLARES STATE OF EMERGENCY AS HURRICANE MILTON INTENSIFIES: IMPORTANT PREPARATIONS AND ADVISORY**

The City of Florida City has declared a State of Emergency as Hurricane Milton intensifies into a Category 4 hurricane. This declaration is a follow up to similar actions by the State of Florida and Miami-Dade County. In response, the city's Public Works and Water departments are actively pumping water from flooded areas and clearing drains as part of standard hurricane preparation. Florida City has initiated storm-hardening measures and the Florida City Police are patrolling the streets to ensure community safety. The City continues to closely monitor the storm and is taking all necessary steps to protect the residents and infrastructure.

#### **Important Advisory for Residents:**

- **Sandbag Distribution:** A sandbag distribution will take place for Florida City residents on Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM-3:00PM and Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM. **Residents MUST provide a photo I.D. or a utility bill.** There will be a limit of 5 sandbags per vehicle.

- **The distribution will take place at the following location:**  
Florida City Public Works Compound-428 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue,  
Florida City, FL 33034
- **Solid Waste:** Solid waste collection is scheduled as normal.  
Please stay tuned for updates.
- **Park Facility Hours:** No changes to operating hours have been  
announced. Please stay tuned for updates.
- **Construction and Business Site Safety:** Secure all materials  
and equipment to prevent debris from becoming projectiles.
- **Stay away from Downed Wires & Report Power Outages:**  
Treat all downed power lines as live and extremely dangerous.  
Report downed wire and outages to Florida Power & Light  
at:1-800-468-8243- 1-800-4OUTAGE
- **Residents dependent on electric-**powered, life-sustaining  
medical equipment should finalize their family emergency plan  
for backup power.

#### Resident Safety Tips:

- **Fill up Gas Tanks:** Ensure your vehicle is fully fueled in case of  
power outages or evacuation orders.
- **Charge all Electronics:** Fully charge phones, tablets, and  
portable chargers in case of power loss.
- **Avoid Tree Trimming or Bulk Trash Disposal:** High winds can  
turn debris into dangerous projectiles.
- **Stock up on Essential Supplies:** Prepare at least three days'  
worth of food, water and medicine. A minimum of one gallon  
of water per person per day is recommended.
- **Secure your Home:** Reinforce windows, secure loose outdoor  
items and bring pets inside.
- **Prepare an Emergency Kit:** Include flashlights, batteries, first-  
aid supplies, important documents and cash.

- **Stay Indoors During the Storm:** Avoid driving or going outside until authorities confirm it is safe.
- **Stay Informed:** Follow local weather reports and official City updates for the latest information.

Residents are encouraged to stay updated by following official city communications. For further information please visit the City of Florida City's website at: [www.floridacityfl.gov](http://www.floridacityfl.gov) for updates on Hurricane Milton.