



PEMBROKE PINES CITY  
COMMISSION

**Angelo Castillo**  
MAYOR  
954-450-1020  
acastillo@ppines.com

**Michael A. Hernandez**  
VICE MAYOR  
DISTRICT 4  
954-450-1030  
mihernandez@ppines.com

**Thomas Good, Jr**  
COMMISSIONER  
DISTRICT 1  
954-450-1030  
tgood@ppines.com

**Jay D. Schwartz**  
COMMISSIONER  
DISTRICT 2  
954-450-1030  
jschwartz@ppines.com

**Maria Rodriguez**  
COMMISSIONER  
DISTRICT 3  
954-450-1030  
mrodriguez@ppines.com

**Charles F. Dodge**  
CITY MANAGER  
954-450-1040  
cdodge@ppines.com

## A Hurricane Preparedness Message From Mayor Angelo Castillo

The 2025 hurricane season is now upon us. This season is expected to have above normal activity with 17 storms, nine of which will become hurricanes and four of which will reach Category 3 status or stronger. The storm numbers and predictions will continue to be updated as the season progresses, but these reports are simply a tool to help you realize the seriousness of being prepared for any storm.

The National Hurricane Center (NHC) last year launched a new experimental hurricane cone that runs together with the traditional cone we've come to know which includes tropical storm and hurricane watches and warnings for the counties in the hurricane's path, so they are in a single graphic. This allows us to understand the hazards and potential wind impact of a hurricane that can spread dozens of miles in all directions. This year they are expanding this concept to also show where these watches and warnings are simultaneously in effect. With new technology being introduced each year, we are learning that we need to pay more attention to the entire cone, not just the center line, to understand the full scope of storm hazards and how they will impact us.

Please don't wait for a storm to develop before undertaking preparations to protect your home, your family and yourself. Create an emergency plan now and assemble a hurricane supply kit, so you're ready if a storm is expected to impact our area. Remember to have a three- to five-day supply of food and water, with at least one gallon of water per person per day. Also have non-perishable food that is ready to eat, a battery powered flashlight, a battery-powered radio, a first-aid kit, and a reserve of prescription medicine.

The City of Pembroke Pines has additional helpful hurricane preparation information, videos, and resources translated into Spanish and other languages on the city's website under Pembroke Pines Prepared. You can easily access it at [www.ppines.com/hurricane](http://www.ppines.com/hurricane). The website itself can translate into different languages by clicking the Select Language button on the bottom left of the website. We want everyone to be informed and prepared. We, as a city, are prepared and want you to be also. Please remember that being prepared can save lives and property when disaster strikes.

Sincerely,

Angelo Castillo  
Mayor