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The Marathon City Council, joined by Marathon Fire Rescue Chief Shana Rogers and personnel from Station #14, proclaimed Friday, Sept. 11, as Patriot Day in honor of those lost in the 9/11 attacks in 2001.

City Council OKs Williams as city manager

MARATHON, FL (Sept. 9, 2026) – The Marathon City Council on Tuesday, Sept. 8, addressed a variety of key issues, including approving a modified contract to hire City Attorney Steve Williams as the new city manager, during its $2^{1/2}$-hour meeting.

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Following a period of public comment regarding Williams' contract for the position and the interim city manager offering explanations of the process, the council voted 3-2 to approve the contract. Council member Lynn Landry and Kenny Matlock voted against the hiring, with each noting caveats due to provisions in Williams' contract.

In other action, discussion was held regarding issues at the Harbor Drive boat ramp, one of three city ramps. Residents talked about problems in the area, such as vehicles not following traffic patterns, parking options, and lack of visible supervision.

Enforcement of traffic and parking violations was stressed by the council, and Williams said the city will address added staffing at the ramp, which is designed only for launch and retrieval.

Many items up for first and second public hearing and enactment were passed unanimously, while most resolutions were on the consent agenda. Council member Matlock requested Resolutions 2026-84 and 2026-85, regarding accepting the transfer 50 early evacuation workforce affordable housing allocations to Marathon from the cities of Key Colony Beach and Layton, respectively, be tabled for further discussion.

Early in the meeting, a moment of silence was held in memory of former mayor and council member Mike Cinque, who passed away during the holiday weekend.

Proclamations marking Patriot Day (Sept. 11), Diaper Need Awareness Week (Sept. 14-20), and National Scenic Byways Day (Sept. 22) also were held early in the meeting.

To watch this and previous City Council meetings, visit https://cloud.castus.tv/vod/city-of-marathon. For information on upcoming meetings, visit the city's website at https://www.ci.marathon.fl.us.

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The Marathon City Council, along with Keys AHEC, proclaimed Sept. 14-21 as Diaper Need Awareness Week.

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The Marathon City Council, along with city Planning Director Brian Shea, proclaimed Sept. 22 as National Scenic Byways Day.

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