

CITY OF MARATHON PUBLIC WORKS

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MEMORANDUM

DATE:	February 9, 2021
TO:	Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
FROM:	Carlos A. Solis, P.E. Director of Public Works & Engineering
THROUGH:	George Garrett, City Manager
SUBJECT:	Public Works Update

The following is an update of the status of Public Works projects and related issues:

Capital Infrastructure Projects

- Marina Office Modification and Improvement Project: We are still on track to have the project put out to bid and ready to begin construction at the end f April when the season slows down. We are also generating plans to install a permanent generator for the Marina building and bath house, which is partially paid for by a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant.
- Sombrero Area Stormwater Project: The Notice To Proceed is issued, and contractor is waiting on the delivery of the structures to begin the installation. We will be adding two additional top slab replacement for existing well structure to the project, as we have discovered damages to an additional structure on Tingler Lane and Coco Plum Drive. The cost should be covered by our grant, as our contract is less than the approved grant amount.
- **Community Park Office Renovation:** The project has been rebid, and we expect to have the revised bids in before the next Council Meeting.
- Sunset Park Grassy Key Kayak Launch Project: We have added the repair for the boardwalk facility behind City Hall to the bid of the kayak dock, as the work is very similar, thus reducing the time effort and cost to bid and manage two separate contracts.

- **City Wide Fire Hydrant Installation Project:** We are beginning the design work for the next round of hydrants. In the next couple of months, we will coordinate with the Fire department for the locations of the next round of new fire hydrants to be installed throughout the city.
- **Bridge Repair Projects:** Plans are generally complete for the repair of the Coco Plum, 116th Street and 112th Street bridges. The project will likely go out to bid in the next few weeks and expect to have a recommendation of award in the March or April council meeting.

Upcoming Projects:

- **Restroom at Sunset Park & Quay Property:** The TDC has approved partial funding for the restroom at the Quay property in the amount of \$75,000.00 but did not fund our request for funding for a restroom at Sunset Park in Grassy Key. We will be working with finance and looking at any other opportunity to find funding for this project in the next fiscal year.
- Quay Property Grant Application: The grant request was not scored high enough in the competing application for this project. As mentioned above, we received \$75,000 from the TDC for a restroom on the property, which we can begin after October, beginning of new fiscal year.

General Public Works Issues and update:

- Sombrero Blvd. Parking: Parking of trailers and boats is becoming more of a problem along Sombrero Blvd. The use of the grass area is damaging the sod and makes it almost impossible for our crews to efficiently maintain this area. The area is primarily used by the residents of the condominiums along the area that have limited parking. In an attempt to solve the problem while also understanding the predicament they have; we offer this as a solution. Create a few designated parking zones along the boulevard, which consist of stabilized gravel parking areas, and restrict all parking in the remainder of the roadside. The attached sketch depicts six area we would propose to designate as allowable parking stabilized gravel surface. If approved by council, we can incorporate portion of the project with the Sombrero Area stormwater Project, and City staff can install the gravel in the remaining areas.
- Street R/W Maintenance: Our crews have begun the roadside vegetation cutbacks in Grassy Key and will be working their way through Marathon over the next couple of months. We are training a couple new employees in this process, resulting a little slower pace at the beginning, but should be back to full speed in a couple of weeks.

