



## CITY OF MARATHON PUBLIC WORKS

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### MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 13, 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

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

### Capital Infrastructure Projects

- **Marina Office Modification and Improvement Project:** The Notice To Proceed has been issued and the project is expected to be completed before the end of December.
- **Marina & Station 14 Generators:** The project was let out to bid, and one bid was received. A resolution for recommendation of award is included in this agenda package.
- **Sombrero Area Stormwater Project:** The project is proceeding. We are waiting for the additional structures requested by the City to be delivered to proceed with the installation and completion of the project.
- **Community Park Office Renovation:** We have all seen the rapid increase in construction material cost, in particular wood, and recently wood production has increased followed by an estimated 41% drop in wood cost. However, the cost reduction has not yet reached the retail sector, which directly affects the bid cost. We are continually monitoring the situation and are ready to re-bid the project once we have confirmation that the price reduction has reached the retail market.
- **Sunset Park Grassy Key Kayak Launch and Oceanfront Park Repair Project:** The work at Oceanfront Park is complete. The dock at Sunset Park is partially complete. The gangway was delivered last week, and the contractor is waiting for

the delivery of additional material to finish the project. We are also in the process of generating a change order to have the contractor repair the existing Kayak dock at Oceanfront Park, which consist of replacing all deteriorating hardware for the platform.

- **Bridge Repair Projects:** We received all required permits, and plans updated based on the most recent FDOT inspection. The project has been placed out to bid and we expect to bring a recommendation of award at the next council meeting for the Coco Plum, 116<sup>th</sup> Street, and 112<sup>th</sup> Street bridges repair.

The 117<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge is also in need of replacement. We are currently on the list with FDOT for funding to replace the bridge decking, which is estimated at approximately \$1,000,000.

### **Upcoming Projects:**

- **Restroom at Sunset Park & Quay Property:** The required tourism study, as required by the TDC as part of the grant, is complete and submitted to the TDC for approval. Upon confirmation, we will begin the restroom project. In the interim, we are providing portable toilets to serve the users of the property.
- **Coco Plum Road Repair:** The plans prepared in-house are complete and the project is being advertised for bid. We expect to bring a resolution for recommendation to award the repair project at the next council meeting.

### **General Public Works Issues and update:**

- **Street R/W Maintenance:** Our crews will continue with vegetation cutbacks, as our tractor needed some repairs and we were waiting for delivery of parts. We will continue the area behind the airport and will continue moving west throughout the city.
- **33<sup>rd</sup> Street Boat Ramp:** We have applied for a Boating Improvement Fund grant from Monroe County to replace the damaged trench drain at the boat ramp. If approved, funding should be available after October 1 to complete the work

### **Misc.**

- **Building Plan Review:** The Public Works & Engineering department has processed 31 permits and inspections for projects submitted to the building department.
- **K-Mart Shopping:** We have forwarded the easement agreement to KIMCO, the owners of the shopping center for their review and approval. Upon confirmation of their acceptance, we will proceed with the construction of the shelter.