

# CITY OF MARATHON PUBLIC WORKS

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: April 12, 2022

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: The project is proceeding, and approximately 80% complete.
Contractor will begin the finishing for the work and installation of data system. We are still on schedule to be substantially complete by the end of May.

- Marina & Station 14 Generators: The generators have been ordered, and we have been informed it will take about 6 months for delivery due to issues with supply chain.
- **Bridge Repair Projects:** The repairs to the 116<sup>th</sup> Street and 112<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge are near completion.

The repair of the Coco Plum Bridge has now changed to a full replacement of the Bridge. As previously discussed, the City was pursuing a grant from the Federal Government, which said grant, if awarded would be in November of this year. We determined that the long wait, and unknown status of this grant is extremely detrimental to the services to the resident in the Coco Plum area, and after consultation with our Finance Director and City Attorney, we have determined that the funding from ARPA can be used for infrastructure projects due to loss in revenue the City experienced during COVID. As a result, the funds are currently available, and we are proceeding with the design of the replacement. We will be processing a change order with our bridge contractor, which will save month the completion of the project.

• Community Park Amphitheater: Work has begun on the repair, and the fabric material has been removed. The steel structure will now be refurbished, and painted, and upon completion of this process, the fabric will be re-installed with new cabling and hardware.

## **Upcoming Projects:**

- 33<sup>rd</sup> Street Re-Development: We have received the survey for the parcel distribution and have sent them to the County and School District for their approval. Once approved, the agreement between the City, County, and School District will be prepared and brought to Council for approval and implementation. Within the next couple of months, the initial meeting with all stakeholders with interest in the community center will be held, and our consultant will begin the programming for the corridor.
- Seven Mile Marina: The site work for the site will begin in the next couple weeks to prepare the parking area and place the temporary building to be used by Pigeon Key while the existing building is renovated. Design for the repair of the docks has begun, and we are applying for TDC funding to assist with the cost of the dock repairs.

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

• Oceanfront Park: Or crews are continuing the work of cleaning out the existing berms along the perimeter of the project, and other areas of the park. Staff has received positive response to the work. We have approved a proposal for the installation of new landscaping to be installed in the areas where invasive species have been remove, and expect this work to begin in the next few weeks.

#### Misc.

- **Building Plan Review:** The Public Works & Engineering department has processed 38 permits reviews, and over 32 inspections for projects requiring engineering review and inspections in the last month.
- Boat Ramp and Beach Parking: We have almost all pieces of the puzzle in place to implement the collection of fees for usage and parking at the boat ramps and parking at Sombrero Beach. The fee structure proposed, to be discussed and approved by council, is as follows:

**Boat Ramps** \$20 per use of ramp

\$20 for parking

City of Marathon Residents \$100/year unlimited use of ramp and

parking

**Sombrero Beach** \$5.00- First 4 hours

\$2.00 each additional hour

City of Marathon residents can request a permit for \$10/yr

We are requesting a confirmation to proceed with the implementation of the parking fee system.

# **Stormwater Report:**

This month the City responded to one illicit discharge complaint, one an illegal dewatering, and the other an illegal oil dumping in the R/W. Stormwater structures are back on a rotating system to be cleaned out throughout the City.