

CITY OF MARATHON



Memorandum

Meeting Date: April 11, 2023

To: Honorable Mayor Luis Gonzalez and City Council Members

Through: George Garrett, City Manager

From: Ted Lozier, P.E. Code Compliance Director

Subject: Code Compliance Report

The Code Department had 7 notices for the March hearing; 2 cases were withdrawn by compliance, 2 cases were continued, and the remaining 3 cases were heard and found to be in violation.

The Code Hearing for April is scheduled for April 21, 2023, at 2:00 PM at Marathon City Hall Council Chambers, 9805 Overseas Highway, Marathon, FL. Nine cases have been noticed for the hearing. Thirty-six code complaints were investigated, 26 new code cases were opened, and 17 code cases were closed.

March Code Hearing – cases noticed	7
April Code Hearing – cases noticed	9
New Code cases	26
Code Cases closed	17

Code Responses: 270

In March, staff investigated and responded to 270 code inquiries received by telephone, email, online, or in-person. Not all the complaints received resulted in open cases as they were either resolved, unfounded, civil in nature, or subsequent complaints on an existing code case. Most of the complaints resulting in opened code cases were related to construction activities without proper permits, operating vacation rentals without licenses, zoning issues, and property standards (tall grass/weeds, debris/junk, lack of maintenance).

Highlighted Activity

Trash Collection Services – Since January 1, 2022 265 locations have been identified for violations related to trash collection procedures. Staff continue informing residents and vacation rentals (agents and owners) about the proper procedures for solid waste, recycling, and yard waste pick-up.

Vacation Rental Properties - Two staff from other city departments are assisting in reviewing vacation rental properties for compliance, and we have two new full time staff that will be starting soon (1 in April and 1 in May).