



CITY OF MARATHON PUBLIC WORKS

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 14, 2023

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 & Station 14 Generators:** The new estimated delivery date for the fire station generator is March of 2024.
- **117th Street & 116th Street Bridge Replacement:** We have a resolution for a contract on this agenda for the design services for the two bridges. We expect design work to begin in December and anticipate beginning of construction in late summer for the 117th Street Bridge. The construction funding for the 116th Street bridge is set for the summer of 2026.
- **112th Street Bridge:** We have a resolution on this agenda for acceptance of the ranking for design services for the decking replacement of this bridge. Construction for this project is scheduled to begin in August of 2025.

Upcoming Projects:

- **Seven Mile Marina:** Our CMAR is currently reviewing the plans to provide any value engineering. We expect to bring the contract for pre-construction services at the December meeting for this project, and anticipate starting construction in early 2024.
- **Quay Property Redevelopment** We have requested that all work on this project stop until further notice. We will proceed with internal discussion as to the path forward and are investigating all options for the development of the property including the expansion of the boat ramp.
- **Quay Restroom:** Regardless of the development options for the quay, we are moving forward with the construction of the restroom for this property. We currently have a TDC grant for this work. The restroom will be required on this site regardless of

whether the property is developed as a park or expanded boat ramp. Prior to construction, the location of the restroom will be finalized so that either option for development will not impact this building.

- **City Hall Office Renovation:** The plans have been issued to the CMAR, and we plan on bringing a resolution to council for this work at the December meeting. As previously mentioned, the work will add two office spaces at City hall, secure the receptionist area allowing for full access to the lobby by the public, and provide a small meeting room in the lobby area for staff to meet and resolve issues with the general public. Larger meetings will still be held in the larger conference room.
- **City Hall Air Conditioning Replacement:** Work inside the building for electrical and miscellaneous mechanical work will begin this month in anticipation of delivery of the units in early December.
- **Marina Storage Loft:** As requested by the Ports Director, we've had plans prepared to construct a loft over the storage room to provide additional storage for the facility. We are in the process of receiving proposals for this work and intend to begin work in December.

General Public Works Issues and update:

- **Building Plan Review:** The Public Works & Engineering department has processed 53 permits reviews, and 56 inspections for projects requiring engineering review and inspections in the last month.
- **Boat Ramp and Beach Parking:** The revenue collected from parking and user fees for the month of October was \$61,058.65. The net income for September from a gross income of \$67,030 is \$63,550.60.
- We are almost at full capacity with regards to employment. Beginning this week, we will have a Public Works employee canvassing the City streets, in conjunction with emptying the trash receptacles throughout the City, to pick up trash, in particular along Sombrero Beach Road, Aviation Blvd and Coco Plum Drive. We will also be keeping the bike path clear of gravel and dust as they will be cleaned on a weekly basis.

Stormwater Report:

We have a system in place to address the sever ponding on Sombrero Blvd. after a heavy rain event. We will be pumping water into our system draining to our injection well at Sombrero Blvd and 53rd Street, which is at a higher elevation. This is a temporary measure until we move forward with a permanent plan to address this area. We are in the process of meeting with our consultants to provide options and preliminary cost and will be bringing these options to council in December, January at the latest.