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MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 10, 2024

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 generator at the fire station has been installed, and all work is substantially completed. We are in the process of finalizing and closing the project out with one outstanding item. We have one pending item to resolve with the Contractor, and all payments are being withheld until the issue is resolved.
- **117th Street, 116th Street & 112th Street Bridge Replacement:** The 60% plans for the 117th St and 116th St bridges are complete and awaiting responses from FDOT from their review. We are scheduled to have the design completed for all three bridges and ready for bidding in late Spring of 2025. FDOT has agreed to bundle the construction of all three bridges, and also advanced the funding of the 116th St bridge, so that the City will be reimbursed as the bridges are replaced instead of advancing the funding for a year. We have opted to transfer the funding for CEI services towards the construction, which FDOT notified us that they concurred. The reasoning being that the estimates for these bridges were done prior to 2021, and inflation since then is likely to significantly increase the cost. By bundling the bridges, we anticipate substantial savings, and the additional CEI funding towards construction, we feel the cost should be covered. The City will cover the cost of the CEI services; however, we would not have to follow FDOT's procurement process, which adds to the cost, and again the bundling of these services for all three bridges will substantially reduce the cost.

- **Quay Restroom:** Construction progressing as scheduled. Site utilities have been installed, and the building pad completed. Project is expected to be completed in by December 31 of this year.
- **Coco Plum Overflow Parking:** The overflow parking lot is completed.

Upcoming Projects:

- **Seven Mile Marina:** We are completing the contract documents to place the project out to bid.

We are awaiting the issuance of the permits from the FDEP and ACOE. All comments have been addressed and permit applications are deemed complete.

- **Quay Property Re-Development:** We are reviewing the final plans for the upland portion of the work. Once the final review is complete, and any minor changes made, we are ready to put the project out to bid. The plans for the ramp and seawall restoration are complete and submitted to the agencies.
- **Oceanfront Park Tiki:** All site work in preparation for the new Tiki Structure is complete. The contract for the Tiki Structure is issued, and work is estimated to be completed by the end of the month.
- **Oceanfront Pickleball Courts:** The Engineering Department is preparing plans and contract documents for the construction of new pickleball courts. We expect to put the project out to bid before the end of the month.
- **Community Park Maintenance Building:** Staff is preparing the site plans and bid for the installation of a metal maintenance building at Community Park to house all the required facility maintenance equipment. The building will be located in the open area next to the tennis court and restroom.
- **Oceanfront Park Exercise Station:** New exercise equipment has been purchased, and the PW staff will be installing the equipment by mid-January.
- **Community Park Baseball Field Modification:** PW staff will be cutting back the grass in the infield of both fields to create a 70 foot base path to accommodate the additional division for the youth club.

General Public Works Issues and updates:

- **Building Plan Review:** The Public Works & Engineering department has processed 44 permits reviews, and 45 inspections for projects requiring engineering review and inspections in the month of August.
- **Boat Ramp and Beach Parking:** The revenue collected from parking and user fees for August is \$102,349.75.00.
- PW staff have begun the vegetation cutbacks throughout the City beginning with Grassy Key. We will continue to work from east to west throughout the City.
- The Public Works department has begun the maintenance of the Park landscaping and other facilities maintenance. We have met with all personnel to ensure an efficient transition for the PW department responsibility of all facilities including janitorial services.
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