



CITY OF MARATHON
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 9th, 2025
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
FROM: Paul Bartnk, Public Works Director
THROUGH: George Garrett, City Manager
SUBJECT: Public Works Update

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

- **Boat Ramp and Beach Parking:** The revenue collected from parking and user fees are as follows.

November Gross Income	\$88,743.00
2025 Gross Income YTD:	\$1,191,867.45

- **Radar Speed Sign:** We have begun installing the permanent speed radar signs. Installation has been completed on Coco Plum Drive and Aviation Dr. In addition, we continue to relocate the portable speed trailer to various areas to help determine where additional permanent signs may be needed.
- **Oceanfront Bike Path Relocation:** Public Works crews have finished all preparation necessary to relocate the bike path at Ocean Front Park in support of the new pickleball court installation. The project is now pending paving by the contractor.
- **Invasives Removal:** Public Works staff have begun to remove the invasives encroaching in the dunes at Sombrero Beach. We will be planting additional Sea Oats to fill in the gaps.
- **Sombrero Beach Coconut Tree Trimming:** Public Works crews have completed coconut tree trimming at Sombrero Beach. Crews are now transitioning to the next phase of work, which includes the other parks and city buildings.
- **Citywide Vegetation Cutbacks:** Public Works crews have initiated the citywide vegetation cutback program. Vegetation is being trimmed to a depth that ensures clear

visibility for motorists and reduces the frequency of required maintenance. Completion of this task may take additional time this cycle as we have assumed maintenance responsibilities along the US-1 corridor.

- **Upgrades to Oceanfront Park Boardwalk:** Public Works crews have begun replacing the cap rails on the Oceanfront Park boardwalk. The existing rails had deteriorated to the point of becoming a safety concern. We selected Ipe wood for the replacement, as it offers significantly greater durability and longevity compared to traditional pressure-treated lumber. Crews also installed a paver walkway connecting the bike path to the stairs, providing improved and convenient access.