



CITY OF MARATHON
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 14, 2026
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
FROM: Carlos A. Solis, P.E. Director of Engineering
THROUGH: Steve Williams, Interim City Manager
SUBJECT: Engineering and Capital Project Update

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

Capital Infrastructure Projects

- **117th Street, 116th Street & 112th Street Bridge Replacement:** the 117th Street bridge is out to bid. Based on the timeline for FDOT to approve our recommendation of award, it is expected that the resolution to award the contract will be brought to council at the September meeting, with the Notice To Proceed to be issued by the end of September. The project has a contract time of 240 days. The 116th and 112th Street bridges are expected to go out to bid in December of this year.
- **Quay Property Re-Development:** Contractor has submitted their shop drawings for approval and is expected to mobilize this week. The contract time is set for completion in January 2027.
- **Sombrero Beach Information/Security:** Work is proceeding on the project, with work to be completion by or before July 28th. The project is funded by a TDC grant.
- **Seven Mile Marina Docks:** Utility work for the water and electric conduits to the docks is complete. We are waiting on the FKAA to install the new water meter for connection, and the dock phase of the project will be complete, and docks slips ready to be leased.
- **Seven Mile Marina Re-Development:** We are still holding off on bidding the site, as we have several ongoing construction projects, and want to ensure our limited project management staff is not overwhelmed. Upon the near completion of these projects, we are ready to bid the building re-development. The project will renovate

the existing building to provide for the permanent reception for Pigeon Key, along with an office for Marina personnel use. We will also have an additional area for lease within the building. In addition to the mentioned uses, we will also provide an area for enclosed lockers for use by the charter boat captains.

- **92nd Street:** The has completed the 60% plans, and we anticipate coordinating a neighborhood meeting later in July, to inform the residents of the proposed design and impacts due to the road being raised. We are still pursuing funding for the construction phase of the project. The project design and permitting should be completed by the end of the year.
- **Community Park Skate Park:** The Skate park construction is complete, and we had a soft opening while the landscaping and irrigation around the skate park is completed, which is expected this week. Work for the site preparation of the Splashpad and restroom building continue. The final layer of asphalt is expected to be completed in the next two weeks.
- **Community Park Splash Pad:** The contract for the splash pad has been executed, and the design is expected to be completed within the next three weeks and submitted for permitting. Once the permit is issued and materials and equipment delivered, the project is expected to take 6-8 weeks to complete.
- **Skate/Splash Facility Restroom:** The design for the new restroom building is near completion, and we expect to submit for building permit in the next three weeks. The project will be let to bid upon issuance of the final construction documents by our consultant. The building is expected to be complete and operational before the next Seafood Festival.
- **US 1 Beautification Project:** We have put the project out to bid. However, prior to award or Notice To Proceed, we are waiting for the utility contractor to complete their work and restoration of the area. The project provides enhanced landscaping along the airport corridor between the highway and the bike path. The City has a \$100,000 grant from FDOT for the project.
- **Boat Ramp Dock Repairs:** The reconstruction of the docks at both the 33rd Street and Quay boat ramps is complete. The Quay dock was re-built 18” higher than the previous ramp, as the King tides were reaching the dock.
- **Community Park Soccer Fields Re-Sodding:** Work is complete; however the contractor is still engaged in resolving issues with weeds and worms that were apparently embedded in the topsoil brought in. The final payment is being held until the City is satisfied with the installation and all issues are resolved.

- **Sombrero Beach Road Bike Path Improvements:** Our consultant is proceeding with the design. We expect to have 60% plans completed in 2 months. Prior to submittal to FDOT, the City will host a community outreach meeting so that residence can be informed of the upcoming project, and our consultant can address any reasonable input from the public. We anticipate construction to begin in late summer 2027.
- **Aviation Blvd. Trail Lighting Project:** We are proceeding with the design of the project and have 90% plans near completion. The project construction is funded by a \$959,400 grant from FDOT. The project is slated for construction in the summer of 2027.
- **Oceanfront Pickleball Courts:** The Pickleball Courts are complete and open to the public.
- **Community Park Buildings Maintenance Building.** Work is proceeding with the project, with the City coordinating with specialty contractor and self performing some work, thereby providing cost savings for the project. The project is expected to be completed in four month.
- **Tower at Community Park Demolition/Repair:** The Tower at the Community Park Pavilion has been removed, and the failing column supporting a portion of the pavilion replaced.

General updates:

- **Building Plan Review:** The Engineering department has processed 51 permits reviews for Engineering, and 59 total inspections for projects requiring engineering reviews in the month of May.
- **FDOT LAP Re-Certification:** Staff is in the process of completing our re-certification with FDOT for LAP, which is the process allowing us to receive grant funding from FDOT. The process is cumbersome, requiring several hours of courses and individual certification, followed by a formal interview with FDOT. This process is repeated every three years.