



CITY OF MARATHON
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 11, 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 60% of plans for the 116th bridge have been submitted to FDOT and 30% of plans for the 112th Street bridges. We are proposing to bundle these two projects and expect to go out to bid in December of this year.
- **Quay Property Re-Development:** The Notice to Proceed is issued, and the contractor is waiting for after mini season and the first week of lobster season to mobilize on the site. .
- **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:** We expect to close out the contract and have the finger docks available for leasing within the next 2-3 weeks. Staff are self-performing a couple of minor items to minimize the cost of the project.
- **Seven-Mile Marina Re-Development:** We are still holding off on bidding for 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 for 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 landscaping is to be completed this week and final layer of asphalt to be placed within the next week. The contractor has completed the site preparation for the splashpad and the future restroom. We anticipate having a formal Gran Opening within the next couple of 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 are delivered and the Notice to Proceed is issued, 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 out 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.
- **Sombrero Beach Road Bike Path Improvements:** Our consultant is proceeding with the design. We expect to have 60% of 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:** Our consultant has submitted the 100% plans to FDOT for approval. Once approved by FDOT, the project will be ready to go out

to bid in the summer of 2027, which begins FDOT's 2028 fiscal year. The project construction is funded by a \$959,400 grant from FDOT. The project is slated for construction in the summer of 2027.

- **Community Park Buildings Maintenance Building.** Work is proceeding with the project, with the City coordinating with specialty contractors and self-performing some work, thereby providing cost savings for the project. The project is expected to be completed in four months.

General updates:

- **Building Plan Review:** The Engineering department has processed 73 permits reviews for Engineering, and 40 total inspections for projects requiring engineering reviews in the month of July.
- **FDOT LAP Re-Certification:** Staff had our interview with the FDOT Committee, and it went very well with the committee recommending full certification for the next three years. This will enable the City to receive funding and prosecute projects with FDOT LAP funding.