



CITY OF MARATHON
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MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 8, 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:** We have received bids for the replacement of the 117th Street bridge. Staff have reviewed the bids and supporting information, and is prepared to recommend award to the lowest responsive bid from General Asphalt Co, Inc. While we have an agenda item for the recommendation on this agenda, we need concurrence from FDOT before we can award the contract and are awaiting said concurrence. Upon award of the contract, sufficient time will be provided for the execution of the contract and bonds before the Currently we anticipate Pre-Construction meeting to be scheduled in early October, with construction beginning in November. The project has a 240-day final completion timeline.

Plans for the 116th St bridge have completed the 60% review by FDOT, and comments from said review have been addressed. The 90 % plans have been submitted to the District for review. The 30% plan for the 112th Street bridge plans are submitted to the District and received comments.

- **Quay Property Re-Development:** Work has commenced on the Quay property. While the NTP was issued over four weeks ago, the Contractor opted to wait until after Mini-Season and the first week of lobster season before he mobilized. The storm sewer system is approximately 80% complete, and the contractor has begun the driveway base. Completion is schedule for Late January.
- **Sombrero Beach Information/Security:** Work is proceeding on the project. We encountered an issue with the existing roof, as damage to the sheeting and framing

from an apparent leak was encountered, and we have asked the contractor to replace the entire roof, instead of half the roof area.

- **Seven Mile Marina Docks:** The contractor is complete with the work except for the cover over the boat lift, which has been on back order and is expected within the next two weeks. Public works staff have also completed some additional work on the property for both integrity and aesthetics. The docks should be ready for leasing by the middle of September.
- **Seven Mile Marina Building Re-Development:** We are still holding off on bidding the project, 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 park is complete and all landscaping is installed. As of the time of this report, the only outstanding item is the second layer of asphalt, which we requested to be performed in two separate lifts as we felt the new asphalt may be damaged by the heavy equipment used for the project.
- **Community Park Splash Pad:** The Site plan is complete, and we are expecting the final engineering plans for all piping and splashpad equipment by the middle of September for submission to the building department. The site has been brought up to grade and utilities in place.
- **Skate/Splash Facility Restroom:** The design for the new restroom building is at 90% and staff has provided the final comments to the architect. The site plan and sewer pumping station design is being performed in-house by the engineering department and will be completed with the final architecture plans. We expect to submit for permitting in mid-September and put out to bid by the end of September.
- **US 1 Beautification Project:** We received three bids, and after evaluation of all submittals, we are recommending award of the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder VisualScape. We anticipate the pre-construction meeting to be held in early October and construction to begin in mid to late October.

- **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:** 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.** Staff is proceeding with the design of the site and other features and have the project to bid, particularly reaching out to local contractors to perform the work. The project is expected to be completed in four months.
- **Coco Plum Trail Lighting Project:** Staff have completed our negotiations with McFarland-Johnson for the design of trail lighting from US 1 to Ave. K. The construction of this project is funded by FDOT under the LAP program in an amount of \$1,000,000. We expect design to begin in October and will go through the review process with FDOT. Construction is scheduled for the fall of 2027.

General updates:

- **Building Plan Review:** The Engineering department has processed 61 permits reviews for Engineering, and 47 total inspections for projects requiring engineering reviews in the month of August.
- **FDOT LAP Re-Certification:** The City received the re-certification for LAP from FDOT, which allows us to continue to receive grant funding from FDOT for future projects, including the approximately \$8.5 Mil we currently have in committed funding.