



CITY OF MARATHON
PUBLIC WORKS

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 14th, 2026
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
FROM: Paul Bartnk, Public Works Director
THROUGH: Steve Williams, Interim City Manager
SUBJECT: Public Works Update

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

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

March Gross Income	\$131,357.55
2026 Gross Income YTD:	\$335,560.35

- **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.
- **Citywide Vegetation Cutbacks:** Public Works crews have completed 50% of 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 Dog Park:** Public Works crews have begun renovations at the Oceanfront Dog Park. Initial work has included repairs to irrigation and water lines in preparation for the installation of new sod. Upcoming improvements will include the addition of a new dog water fountain and agility equipment to enhance the park's amenities.
- **City Street Sign Replacement:** Public Works crews have begun replacing multiple street and road signs throughout the City. This work includes street name signs, regulatory signs, and caution signs located within City-owned rights-of-way and at City

facilities. Our crew dedicates 1-2 days a week to install and replace signs, while still providing for other maintenance requirements and small projects performed by our facilities/infrastructure maintenance crew.

- **Boat Ramp Seaweed Removal:** Public Works crews are actively removing seaweed from the Quay and 33rd Street boat ramps. Due to persistent north winds, seaweed accumulates on the ramps and creates hazardous conditions for launching and retrieving boats. Crews address this buildup regularly and remove the seaweed as needed.
- **Pickleball Lighting Installation:** Public Works crews have completed the first phase of the installation, which included constructing the foundations for each light. The project is now pending asphalt installation by the contractor. A representative from the lighting company will be on site to assist with the final installation once paving is complete.
- **69th St. Property Demolition:** The City owns the property located at 892 69th Street, which was acquired several years ago through a code enforcement case. The existing structure on the property is currently in a dilapidated condition and presents a safety concern. The proposed plan for the site is to repurpose the lot into a fenced in sod farm to support maintenance needs for the City's soccer fields. Discount Rock and Sand has been selected as the contractor to complete the necessary work associated with this project. Discount Rock and Sand has completed the demolition phase of the project. Public Works crews are now installing an irrigation system to support the upcoming installation of new sod.
- **33rd St. Boat Ramp Dumpster Enclosure:** Public Works crews will begin installing a new dumpster enclosure at the 33rd Street boat ramp, where no enclosure currently exists. This improvement will help better manage debris and refuse in the area. Completion of the project is anticipated by the end of April.