



MEXICO BEACH MONTHLY

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“If there’s a heaven for me, I’m sure it has a beach attached to it.”

- Jimmy Buffett



WEBSITE UPDATES

We’ve been busy updating the website! Check out the new Ordinances and Resolutions pages under the Government menu at the top. We’ve also uploaded the most recent financial report and updated the project list.

CANAL MAINTENANCE

Public Works is continuing their efforts to clean out all reachable canals in preparation for the rainy season. Stormwater management is at the top of our minds as a City! Ensuring our canals can receive (and move) water from a major storm helps keep flooding to a minimum. We are still working on an overall stormwater management plan.

BEACH RENOURISHMENT

The renourishment project has begun and is being run by the CDC. It will run 24/7 through 4/15. Visit mexicobeach.com for more info.

PIER, POLICE, AND FIRE UPDATE

The pier project is still moving forward. Although we’re moving as fast as we can, FEMA doesn’t have the same urgency. It remains on track, however, with the next step being to put the project out to bid to determine costs. Meanwhile, the Police and Fire Department facility project has hit a snag. Despite initially approving relocation, FEMA has since decided we should rebuild where it was, a decision we’ve appealed.



Exhibit A

City of Mexico Beach
2019-2023
Five-Year
Capital
Improvement
Plan

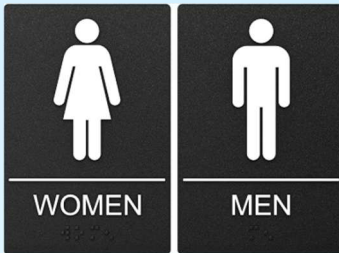


CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

A Capital Improvement Plan plays a vital role in shaping the future of a municipality by outlining essential repairs, upgrades, and renovations to its infrastructure and equipment. Our most recent plan (Ordinance 694) began in 2019 and expired at the end of 2023. We are now in the very early stages of updating it by creating a list of needs identified by our departments. Later phases of the process will provide opportunities for public input before ultimately being presented to the Council for approval.

TAKE PRIDE IN MEXICO BEACH

Our new motto at City Hall is 'Take Pride in Mexico Beach'. We have a beautiful little city and provide services far above what other cities provide; we need to take pride in that. This means taking actions that include everything from ensuring we always have someone at our front counter to repairing ruts in the right-of-ways, repairing storm drains, and painting stop lines and crosswalks. If we take enough pride in our city to notice and repair the little things, the bigger things will happen by default.

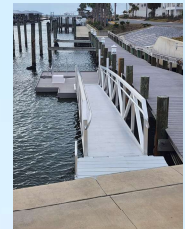


PARKER & UNDER THE PALMS PARKS RESTROOMS

We've been hard at work prepping the sites for restrooms at Parker and UTP! The new prefabricated restrooms should be in place before the end of the month, barring any unforeseen issues. We're still working out what to do with the current restrooms at Parker; they may be used during special events to provide additional capacity.

KAYAK LAUNCH

Our kayak launch is complete and is open for business! Everyone is encouraged to use the new parking lot across Canal from the launch. We'll schedule an official ribbon cutting ceremony once all signage has been installed.



SHELLS AND DEBRIS AT THE BOAT LAUNCH

The overflow parking area at the boat launch is going to be used to store shells and other debris dredged up as part of the renourishment project. One condition of the grant is that that material must be used for government purposes; it cannot end up on private property. We currently have several options in mind, depending on the quantity and quality. We do ask residents to please not remove any material from the lot; we can't jeopardize the grant.

