



# City of Mexico Beach

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## Weekly Report October 17, 2025



### **National Pasta Day Edition**

(a life without noodles seems im-pasta-ble)

#### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR Mell Smigielski**

##### Current Bids

Grant Writer	October 31	2:00 pm	City Hall Conference Room
Pier	November 19	2:00 pm	City Hall Conference Room
Lobbyist	Coming soon		
Sanitation	Coming Soon		

##### Pier CEI Bids

We received four submittals for the pier CEI (construction, engineering and inspection). They include:

1. North Florida Professional Services
2. Rummel, Klepper & Kahl
3. DRMP
4. Baskerville-Donovan

Once each submittal is vetted for completeness, we will have the City Council members rate the submittals and choose the firm they deem to be the most qualified. We will then negotiate a contract and fees.

### Police/Fire Facility

City staff met with Dag Architects, Dewberry and Atkins-Realis to begin the conceptual design of the new facility that is required for FEMA to move forward in our process in rebuilding. The main area of emphasis is to ensure the entrance road and any buildings do not disturb a floodplain area.

### Bay County Chamber

The Chamber announces Al McCambry as new President & CEO effective immediately.

### 15<sup>th</sup> Street Pedestrian Bridge

Bridge Brothers is working on material procurement which will set the delivery schedule; they will be in touch with a fabrication/delivery schedule.

### Boat ramp

Updated drawings and draft agreement were sent to FWC for review.  
Quarterly report for FWC sent to city and consequently filed with FWC.

### Public Works Water Tank Aeration System

Now that the Council voted to approve the system purchase, Anchor will reach out to Cyber Electric on the next steps.

### Lift Station Bypass Pump Project

Anchor met with Dina and Ryan at Atkins-Realis to discuss the project, requirements for funding/reimbursement, timeline and get additional project information available. Anchor is working through the documentation and information from Atkins as well as working through Razorbacks' questions from last week's meeting. There will be a change order from Razorback.

### Cul-de-sac at Canal Parkway

Anchor will put together a proposal to complete specifications and bid documents for asphalt with base per discussion at the 10/14 council meeting.

### Nickle Creek

Anchor starting analysis.

### Amphitheater

Update from BGN: "The structural engineer is still coordinating with the Geotech engineer to get the answers he needs. In the meantime, the architectural team is finalizing their design so they can add the electrical. Once the structural engineer has confirmed the information he needs with the Geotech engineer, we can finalize the slab design, incorporate into the overall plan set, and send it your way."

### Nanook and 14<sup>th</sup> Street Lift Stations

14<sup>th</sup> Street: Delay in the schedule is due to manufacturing issues. Mainline will provide an updated schedule once they receive the new delivery date for the materials.

Nanook: Anchor reviewing submittal.

## CASUNA & Ocean Plantation

Anchor beginning inspections.

## Seaside Market Development Order

After the P & Z recommended approval, the City Council gave final approval at the 10/14 Council meeting.

## Sewer Line

Anchor is studying MX-1 relocation and sewer line task order.

## Pier

No movement due to the federal shutdown.

## HWY 98 and 4<sup>th</sup> Street Project

Anchor putting together award package for Mainline Construction.

## Dune Walkovers at Public Access at 7<sup>th</sup> and Sunset Park

Anchor working on 90% construction bid set and ITB package. City staff inquired about the potential location of a memorial bench at Sunset Park to honor those who lost their lives during Hurricane Michael.

## Flooding at the end of some streets

Anchor visited some of the drainage issue sites after the Council meeting on 10/14 and will continue to work with public works for possible solutions.

## Light at Joe Drive

We had a request for a streetlight at Joe Drive and 15<sup>th</sup> Street to assist pedestrians who walk during evening hours. They noted the beach side of the curve where the future pedestrian bridge will be is sufficiently lighted, but the east side is too dark. Public works will check with Duke Energy to see if there is a current pole on which to place a light. If not, we will wait to request the installation of a pole after the pedestrian bridge is completed so there is no interference with bridge installation.

## Boat Ramp Trash

The public works department has noted that the dumpster removal is working well. Boaters are using the provided trash cans with very little excess trash. Due to this action, there has been a reduction in trips to the transfer station.

## Employee Handbook

We sent our employee handbook to Prosper-HR for their review and suggestions. We previously sent all of our HR forms and received a few comments to make some edits.

## Lawsuit

We were notified the lawsuit against the city by former Mayor Miller has been dropped.

## Beach Planet Sign

Beach Planet has applied for a pylon sign to be placed between Hwy 98 and their store.

## Farmdale Phase II

You may recall, the Farmdale (or Sugar Sands) horizontal infrastructure was installed under Bay County rules. The amount of fill placed on the residential section (45 lots) of Phase II is at 10 feet. Our Floodplain Ordinance requires 10.5 feet. The developers wish to apply for a LOMR-F (letter of map revision) to take the area to an X zone, which will negate the requirement for future owners to get flood insurance. This LOMR-F application requires the governmental agency where the development is located to sign an acknowledgement form. This action should have taken place while under Bay County control. Our floodplain consultant refuses to sign (and rightfully so) the form because if FEMA agrees to the application, the area will be in the X zone, and we will have little ability to enforce our floodplain ordinance. The developers are working through a work-around.

## **FLOODPLAIN CONSULTANT**

We have issued 519 minor floodplain reports/permits and conducted 91 compliance inspections to date.

Major applications (Commercial, Subdivisions, Plats etc.) listed below have either been reviewed and feedback provided, are pending more information from the applicant, or have been permitted. Please see the lists below for status details:

### Pending Application/ Meetings Held:

- Sweetwater at Mexico Beach: Preliminary meeting held June 25th, 2024.
- Harmony Lakes preliminary meeting held August 28th, 2024.
- Meeting held 6/30/2025 to discuss pier public restroom.

### Reviewed & Feedback Provided - Pending new information:

- LOMR-F Application for Sugar Sands Phase II- revisions requested
- The Palms - 1008 15th St. Units A-D
- Forgotten Coast Villas (Development Order- Structures)

### Approved/ Approved with Comments:

- 3114 Hwy 98- Development Order for Seaside Market Place
- 5501 Hwy 98- Development Order for Hotel
- 102-104 14th St Replat Application
- 2902 Hwy 98 Development Order for Mixed Use Building
- Salt Creek Final Plat Approval

- Cottages at Paradise Cove (Preliminary Plat, Final Plat, & Development Order)
- 480 15th St. - Restaurant (Playa De Mexico)
- 712 Highway 98- Restaurant
- The Driftwood Inn Chapel
- Salt Creek Temporary Parking Lot
- Villas at Mexico Beach (Development Order)
- 100 42nd St. S (Preliminary Plat)
- 314, 316, 318 Hatley Dr. Duplex
- Toucans- 719 Hwy 98 (Development Order- Structure Only)
- 4101 Hwy 98 (Development Order)
- El Governor (Development Order) - Bathroom & Pool
- Salt Creek Townhomes Ph. 2 (Preliminary Plat)
- Aquas Esmeralda (Preliminary Plat)
- Aquas Esmeralda (Development Order)
- Sweetwater at Mexico Beach (Preliminary Plat)
- Cape & Coast Office: 3016 Hwy 98 (Development Order)

# BUILDING DEPARTMENT

## Issued Permits

Permit Issued Date: 10/10/2025 - 10/16/2025

Permit Issued Date	Property Address	Permit Number	Contractor	Category	Valuation	Subdivision
Permit Type			Electric Permit			
Permit Status			In Progress			
10/13/2025	200 HWY 98, Mexico Beach	25MB-E0086	J&J Electric, Inc - EC13005413	One Stop	\$60,000.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT #1
10/15/2025	451 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	25MB-E0087	Richardson Enterprise of N.W.FI. INC.	One Stop	\$320,000.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
10/15/2025	443 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	25MB-E0088	Richardson Enterprise of N.W.FI. INC.	One Stop	\$303,000.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2

Count: 3

Total: \$683,000.00

Permit Type			Mechanical Permit			
Permit Status			In Progress			
10/16/2025	106 26TH ST, Mexico Beach	25MB-M0053	Miller Heating & Air - CAC1817359	One Stop	\$312,500.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT 4 235C2

Count: 1

Total: \$312,500.00

Permit Type			Plumbing Permit			
Permit Status			In Progress			
10/15/2025	416 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	25MB-P0069	Hobbs Plumbing	One Stop	\$325,000.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
10/15/2025	428 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	25MB-P0070	Hobbs Plumbing	One Stop	\$330,000.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
10/15/2025	304 BAILEY LN, Mexico Beach	25MB-P0068	Plumbmazing Plumbing Services CFC1430491	One Stop	\$130,000.00	23 6S 12W -23-MAP 235C4

Count: 3

Total: \$785,000.00

Permit Type			PV System (Residential Alteration)			
Permit Status			Completed			
10/13/2025	101 42nd ST D, Mexico Beach	25MB-PVR0003		Residential Alteration	\$20,000.00	

Count: 1

Total: \$20,000.00

Permit Type			Residential New Roof			
Permit Status			In Progress			
10/15/2025	451 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	25MB-RR0070	ARCHER EXTERIORS	One Stop	\$320,000.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
10/15/2025	443 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	25MB-RR0071	ARCHER EXTERIORS	One Stop	\$303,000.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2

Count: 2

Total: \$623,000.00

Permit Type			Residential Re-Roof			
Permit Status			In Progress			
10/15/2025	114 16TH ST, Mexico Beach	25MB-RR0072	Hall Roofing Company, LLC - CCC1336577	One Stop	\$175,000.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT #2

Count: 1

Total: \$175,000.00

Total Permits: 11

Valuation Total: \$2,598,500.00