



# City of Mexico Beach

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## Weekly Report November 14, 2025

### National Pickle Day Edition



(This is the thing in which we often find ourselves)

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

##### Meetings this month

Tuesday	November 18	9:00 am	City Council
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##### Current Bids

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

##### Boat ramp

Revised drawings sent back to FWC for third party reviewer.

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

Ongoing coordination with HG Harder and St. Joe Gas due to the gas line being in a different location than what the survey shows. FDOT will need to provide comment on the bridge shifting slightly to move away from the gas line.

##### The Palms

Waiting for the drainage report and grading and drainage plan.

#### Public Works Water Tank Mixer System

Materials were delivered to the Public Works Department. Cyber Electric will provide a project schedule before the end of the month. Tentatively plan to begin work the first or second week of December.

#### Lift Station Bypass Pump Project

Razorback sent proposed change order to remove piping from each lift station scope. Anchor responded requesting justification for costs and Razorback is putting that together.

#### Cul-de-sac at Canal Parkway

Mainline construction is pricing this as a change order to the 4<sup>th</sup> Street stormwater project.

#### Nickle Creek

Anchor working on analysis.

#### Amphitheater

BGN requested a coordination meeting with all parties including their design team and geotechnical engineer.

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

14<sup>th</sup> Street: Piping work underway for water service connection.

Nanook: Pump selection finalized. Drawdown test complete.

Mainline may need more time on this project due to waiting on Duke Energy to determine if more time is needed. Duke Energy is still working on redesign.

#### CASUNA & Ocean Plantation

Anchor working through inspections.

#### Sewer Line and MX-1 Relocation

Anchor is working on cost estimate.

#### Pier

No movement due to the federal shutdown. We'll see if Wednesday's biweekly TEAMS meeting will be held.

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

Mainline to set a project schedule with a tentative Notice to Proceed date of December 1. Anchor is reviewing project submittals from Mainline.

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

7<sup>th</sup> St: Anchor finalizing drawings and bid package.

Sunset Park: Finalizing drawings and bid package. Once bidding is complete, we will have to coordinate walkover construction with the rebuild of Sunset Park. Don't want two contractors on site at the same time.

#### Stormwater Permit

We asked Anchor to utilize their contacts to help find the stormwater permit for the Mexico Beach Shopping Center. The City Council requested the permit to ensure the stormwater permit is sufficient to handle stormwater for the area before they look to approve the proposed overlay district.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

### **Kathy Lyons**

- Having problems with people crossing the rope barrier and climbing the shells.
- Notice of Violation to cut lot on 8<sup>th</sup> St.
- J. Warren construction signs need to be removed from lots; Sam was able to remove the signs.
- Construction site told them to get a container to store the trash.
- Calls regarding debris from tornadoes on people's lots.
- Notice of Violation sent for lot on S. 39<sup>th</sup> St

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

### **Mark Steele**

#### Public Works Weekly Report

##### Beach Projects

- Daily inspections and cleaning of the beach are being conducted by the department.
- Maintenance and monitoring of the 8th Street Canal are ongoing.
- Normal dredging operations in the mouth of the canal are underway.
- Beach raking is underway and monitoring the Red Tide is still underway.

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##### Traffic and Safety Improvements

- Roads and Street Personnel are checking and repairing all street signage that was damaged by the tornadoes.
  - The "One Way" upgrades and marking on Oleander are near completion.
  - Shoulder repairs along 15<sup>th</sup> Street are underway.
  - 15<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge is closed for the installation of the pedestrian bridge and road closures should be completed by the Thanksgiving holiday.
  - Street light repairs are being completed and carried out with Duke Energy.
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## Parks and Recreation

- Unfortunately, Sunset Park is temporarily closed due to damage caused by the tornadoes. We are working as quickly as possible to get repairs completed and hope to have it opened as soon as possible.
  - Pickleball Courts are also closed due to damage and repairs are also being scheduled.
  - Routine maintenance and updates are ongoing across all park facilities.
  - The landscaping in the median of Florida Avenue is still underway. This is part of our initiative for the Tree City Designation that we have proudly earned every year for the last four years.
  - Park upgrades and repairs are constantly evaluated to ensure the best parks and public spaces in Bay County.
  - The Public Works Dept. has started the Christmas decorations, and the preparations for the holidays.
  - Trees damaged by the tornadoes are being reviewed for stabilization and/or replacement.
  - All beach access points have been reviewed for safety.
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## Sanitation

- The new Sanitation Truck is ready and pending the approval of the final lease agreement.
  - The new City trash cans are being manufactured and are still on target for a rollout by December 1.
  - Storm debris pick-up has been completed.
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## Storm Repairs

- The Public Works fence is currently being repaired.
- The pole barn that collapsed has been picked up and the yard has been placed back in operation.
- Three public works vehicles were severely damaged, and two are out of service. Measures are underway to determine if they will be replaced or repaired.
- One mower has been repaired and the second damaged by the tornadoes is still underway.
- All the tractors have been repaired for operations, but other repairs are pending for parts and approval.
- Infrastructure repairs are being evaluated.

## **FLOODPLAIN CONSULTANT**

We issued 533 minor floodplain reports/permits and conducted 98 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 June 30th, 2025 to discuss pier public restroom.
- Meeting held October 24th, 2025 with FDEM to discuss CAV status.

Reviewed & Feedback Provided - Pending new information:

- Forgotten Coast Villas (Development Order- Structures)
- 113 N 35<sup>th</sup> St- LOMR-F Request (Single Family Residential Lot)

Approved/ Approved with Comments:

- LOMR-F Application for Sugar Sands Phase II (Fill was not included in review as it was previously permitted by Bay County by annexed into the City after placement).
- The Palms - 1008 15th St. Units 12 A-D (Building Application)
- 3114 Hwy 98 - Seaside Market Place (Development Order & Building Application)
- 5501 Hwy 98 Hotel (Building Application)
- 102-104 14th St Replat Application
- 2902 Hwy 98 Mixed Use Building (Development Order & Building Application)
- 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 (Building Application)
- The Driftwood Inn Chapel (Building Application)
- 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- Bathroom & Pool (Building Application)
- Salt Creek Townhomes Ph. 2 (Preliminary Plat)
- Aquas Esmeralda (Preliminary Plat)
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- Sweetwater at Mexico Beach (Preliminary Plat)
- Cape & Coast Office: 3016 Hwy 98 (Building Application)

# BUILDING DEPARTMENT

## Issued Permits

Permit Issued Date: 11/07/2025 - 11/13/2025

Permit Issued Date	Property Address	Permit Number	Contractor	Category	Valuation	Subdivision
Permit Type			Commercial Remodel C/C			
Permit Status			In Progress			
11/12/2025	3300 Hwy 98, Mexico Beach	25MB-CB0007	C-Sharpe Co	Commercial Alteration	\$9,049.00	
11/12/2025	3702 Hwy 98, Mexico Beach	25MB-CB0008	C-Sharpe Co	Commercial Alteration	\$4,361.00	
11/12/2025	3606 Hwy 98, Mexico Beach	25MB-CB0009	C-Sharpe Co	Commercial Alteration	\$11,325.00	

**Count: 3**

**Total: \$24,735.00**

Permit Type			Commercial Re-Roof			
Permit Status			In Progress			
11/12/2025	1024 15th Street, Mexico Beach	25MB-CR0007	Gordon Andrews Construction, LLC/RP25255552, 8, ER13015622, CCC057787, CGC1507514	One Stop	\$26,000.00	

**Count: 1**

**Total: \$26,000.00**

Permit Type			Detached Single Family			
Permit Status			In Progress			
11/07/2025	2115 HWY 98 4, Mexico Beach	25MB-RB0061	Crest Enterprises	Residential New	\$585,429.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT #3 (8.02)

**Count: 1**

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Permit Type			Electric Permit			
Permit Status			In Progress			
11/12/2025	216 KIM KOVE, MEXICO BEACH	25MB-E0097	Current Solutions - EC13007319	One Stop	\$550,000.00	

**Count: 1**

**Total: \$550,000.00**

Permit Type			Plumbing Permit			
Permit Status			In Progress			
11/07/2025	226 KIM KOVE RD, Mexico Beach	25MB-P0075	RODOLFO ORTIZ PLUMBING INC CFC1428723	One Stop	\$450,000.00	GRAND ISLE UNIT 15 235C4
11/13/2025	112 CANAL PKWY, Mexico Beach	25MB-P0076	KEITH MCNEILL PLUMBING - CFC1427457	One Stop	\$30,000.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT #7

**Count: 2**

**Total: \$480,000.00**

Permit Type			Residential New Roof			
Permit Status			In Progress			
11/12/2025	416 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	25MB-RR0078	ARCHER EXTERIORS	One Stop	\$325,000.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
11/12/2025	428 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	25MB-RR0079	ARCHER EXTERIORS	One Stop	\$330,000.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2

**Count: 2**

**Total: \$655,000.00**

**Total Permits: 10**

**Valuation Total: \$2,321,164.00**