



City of Mexico Beach

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Weekly Report February 6, 2026



National Pay a Compliment Day Edition

(Time to spread positivity and not work against others)

CITY ADMINISTRATOR Mell Smigielski

Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday	February 10	9:00 am	City Council
Tuesday	February 24	9:00 am	City Council
Monday	March 2	6:00 pm	P & Z
Tuesday	March 10	9:00 am	City Council
Tuesday	March 24	9:00 am	City Council

Current Bids

MBARA Reefs	February 9 th @ 2:00 pm
Sanitation	February 17 th @ 2:00 pm
Lobbyist	February 20 th @ 2:00 pm

Public Works Director

After meeting with Sam Buccieri this morning, he graciously accepted the permanent position of Public Works Director. Help me congratulate him and give him your full support and cooperation.

JLAC Audit

The follow-up audit entrance conference is scheduled for next week. We also received an additional list of items they requested. Have I mentioned how awesome it is to have a competent Financial Director?

Beach Water Sampling

The County Health Department periodically samples our beach water in four locations. The latest samples from earlier this week had no elevated levels of bacteria.

Wastewater Capacity Meeting

Our staff has a meeting scheduled in a couple of weeks with Bay County Utilities about ways to obtain needed future capacity for our wastewater system.

Amnesty Day

Our staff has discussed holding an Amnesty Day as we have in the past. This will be in conjunction with the Bay County event being held in April. More to follow when details are available.

St. Joe Company Meeting

Our staff held a meeting with a couple of St. Joe Company officials to update them on the projects going on in our fair city and got some insight into their potential plans. We were relieved they have no plans to take back the 25-acre tract of land given to us for the Fire/Police station. They were interested in other potential plans for increased recreational opportunities as well as connecting Joe Drive to the future Fire and Police facility (after FEMA has concluded their part in the project).

CASUNA & Ocean Plantation

Anchor will review sidewalks in CASUNA with trip hazards and provide a rough cost estimate.

Lift Station Bypass Pump Project

Razorback sent submittals to Anchor for review. Asked Razorback for their bonds. A design question was received and will be reviewed and responded to by the end of the week.

Boat ramp

FWC is doing an internal review of the amendment. Will send to the city when ready for signatures.

Project was submitted for Environmental Permitting on 11/18/25. FDEP is still reviewing.

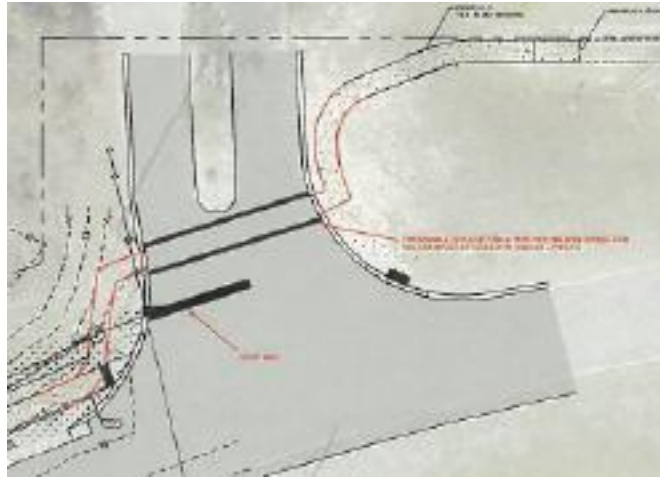
St. Joe Gas

We were previously working with the understanding that when St. Joe Gas ruptures one of our utility lines, we don't charge them for the repair and in return, they don't charge us for repairs when we rupture one of their lines. You might call it professional courtesy. I got a visit from one of the SJG representatives who presented a couple of invoices and insisted, 'they expect to get paid'. He said they haven't hit one of our lines in twenty years. We have processed the payments to them, and we are in the process of crafting a couple of invoices to them for two instances where we had to repair damage to our lines in 2025.

15th Street Pedestrian Bridge

Coordination and installation efforts continue. Bridge to be delivered in February.

As you can see below, the crosswalk at Joe Drive on the northwest side of the pedestrian bridge will be situated behind the vehicle stop bar, which is a little abnormal. But most people are not going to continue to walk a curvy sidewalk to cross the street further to the south.



Public Works Water Tank Mixer System

The mixer system has been installed. The precautionary boil water order remains and should be lifted in the next few days.

MBCDC Tilling and Escarpment Leveling

This project should be completed by the end of this week.

Mobile Dog/Pet Wash

I thought this was interesting: We had an inquiry from a gentleman who wishes to start a business in which they will go to a customer's home and wash their pets. It would be in a trailer, so they can park in the driveway. I cautioned them to stay out of the public right-of-way so as not to create a traffic issue. They won't be operating out of their home, so there is no need for permission for a home-based business. If they decide to proceed, they will get an occupational license (business tax receipt). I also cautioned them there will be no soliciting door to door.

Cul-de-sac at Canal Parkway

The Mainline proposal for \$35,852.60 was approved at the December 16 council meeting and will be a change order on the 4th Street Stormwater project.

Additional Walkover

The phase one task order was approved by the Council. Anchor will begin reviewing possible locations.

Walkovers at Public Access at 7th and Sunset Park

Bids are scheduled for consideration at the February 10th meeting. The offer of funding the construction from the MBCDC was for the previous fiscal year, so we will have to work with the MBCDC and the successful bidder to find a way to pay for the construction.

Amphitheater

We did have a coordination meeting with the contractor (BGN) this week. We have been concerned for a long time that the coordination between the contractor and the engineer for the foundation was languishing. The contractor has now put 'all hands on deck' and will proceed as quickly as possible. The date for substantial completion is February 15. Liquidated damages at \$250.00 per day kicks in after that date. We will be holding the contractor responsible for the damages, but if they can meet their new project deadline, we will drop the damages. Their new deadline is May 22nd. The lead time for concrete pilings is 4 – 6 weeks (which is included in the timeline). If wood pilings are used, the time frame could be shortened by 3 - 4 weeks. We were told that wood pilings when underground and not subject to oxygen, they are very effective and are not hampered by groundwater. Anchor is studying the issue to make sure that information is correct.

Nanook and 14th Street Lift Stations

Nanook – Mainline is waiting on Pump materials.

14th Street – Anchor sent over the change order for the installation of 100' feet of conduit, wire and other materials. Anchor is waiting for feedback from Mainline regarding time extension to be included with the change order. Anchor is reviewing the gate shift for vac truck access to the site.

HWY 98 and 4th Street Project

Work began on the project and as you might expect, an unmarked line was hit due to no fault of the contractor and repairs had to be made to a fire hydrant and the accompanying lines. A change order was required, and we did not want to stop the whole project waiting for the next council meeting for approval. The amount required is under my spending authority, so we decided to move forward.

This project as well as the Canal Parkway roundabout is expected to be completed in late April according to the Gantt chart provided by the contractor.

The Palms

The applicant will be sending the stormwater report.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Issued Permits

Permit Issued Date: 01/30/2026 - 02/05/2026

Permit Issued Date	Property Address	Permit Number	Contractor	Category	Valuation	Subdivision
Permit Type			Commercial Pole Barn			
Permit Status			In Progress			
02/02/2026	108 31ST ST, Mexico Beach	26MB-PB00001		Commercial Alteration	\$20,000.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT 4 235C2

Count: 1

Total: \$20,000.00

Permit Type			Electric Permit			
Permit Status			In Progress			
02/02/2026	228 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0014		One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
02/02/2026	248 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0011	ASAP Air & Refrigeration LLC	One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
02/02/2026	244 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0012		One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
02/02/2026	240 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0013		One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
02/03/2026	116 37TH ST A, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-E0015	CATES ELECTRIC - EC13004174	One Stop	\$74,708.00	
02/04/2026	203 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-E0016	ASAP Air & Refrigeration LLC	One Stop	\$154,535.00	Salt Creek
02/04/2026	207 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-E0017		One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK
02/04/2026	211 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-E0018		One Stop	\$143,194.00	Salt Creek
02/04/2026	215 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-E0019		One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK
02/04/2026	219 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-E0020	ASAP Air & Refrigeration LLC	One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK
02/04/2026	223 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-E0021	ASAP Air & Refrigeration LLC	One Stop	\$154,535.00	Salt Creek
02/04/2026	1405 HWY 98, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0022	Current Solutions - EC13007319	One Stop	\$1,200,000.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT # 2 235C4
02/05/2026	112 6TH ST, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0010	BYRD'S CONSTRUCTION ER0012943	One Stop		MEXICO BEACH U-1 236A2 (11.1)

Count: 13

Total: \$2,729,330.00

Permit Type			Mechanical Permit			
Permit Status			In Progress			
02/02/2026	223 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-M0015	Gulf Coast Air CAC1819258	One Stop	\$154,535.00	Salt Creek
02/02/2026	219 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-M0016	Gulf Coast Air CAC1819258	One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK
02/02/2026	215 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-M0017	Gulf Coast Air CAC1819258	One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK
02/02/2026	211 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-M0018	Gulf Coast Air CAC1819258	One Stop	\$143,194.00	Salt Creek
02/02/2026	207 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-M0019		One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK
02/02/2026	203 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-M0020		One Stop	\$154,535.00	Salt Creek

Count: 6

Total: \$881,846.00

Permit Type			Plumbing Permit			
Permit Status			In Progress			
02/02/2026	228 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	26MB-P0013		One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
02/02/2026	240 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	26MB-P0012		One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
02/02/2026	244 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	26MB-P0011		One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
02/02/2026	248 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	26MB-P0010	ASAP Air & Refrigeration LLC	One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
02/04/2026	223 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-P0019	ASAP Air & Refrigeration LLC	One Stop	\$154,535.00	Salt Creek
02/04/2026	219 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-P0018	ASAP Air & Refrigeration LLC	One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK
02/04/2026	215 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-P0017		One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK
02/04/2026	211 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-P0016	ASAP Air & Refrigeration LLC	One Stop	\$143,194.00	Salt Creek
02/04/2026	207 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-P0015	ASAP Air & Refrigeration LLC	One Stop	\$143,194.00	SALT CREEK
02/04/2026	203 SALT CREEK LANE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-P0014	ASAP Air & Refrigeration LLC	One Stop	\$154,535.00	Salt Creek

Count: 10

Total: \$1,454,622.00

Permit Type			Residential Re-Roof			
Permit Status			In Progress			
01/30/2026	1909 HWY 98, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-RR0008	Resolute Roofing LLC CCC1332887	One Stop	\$27,403.96	
01/30/2026	428 7TH ST, Mexico Beach	26MB-RR0009	SOUTHERN SAFE CONSTRUCTION	One Stop	\$17,636.36	MEXICO BEACH UNIT 14

Count: 2

Total: \$45,040.32

Permit Type			Water Heater			
Permit Status			In Progress			
02/03/2026	111 Sea Street, Mexico Beach	26MB-WH0002		One Stop	\$3,434.00	
01/30/2026	301 HATLEY DR, Mexico Beach	26MB-WH0001	Paradise Home Services - CAC1815060	One Stop	\$1,900.00	NORTH LAKE ESTATES 235D3

Count: 2

Total: \$5,334.00

Total Permits: 34

Valuation Total: \$5,136,172.32