



# City of Mexico Beach

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## Weekly Report January 23, 2026



### National Pie Day Edition

(I'm sure we all would jump at the chance to have a pie cooked by our grandma again)

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

##### Upcoming Meetings

Monday	January 26	6:00 pm	P & Z Workshop
Tuesday	January 27	9:00 am	City Council
Monday	February 2	6:00 pm	P & Z Regular Mtg
Tuesday	February 10	9:00 am	City Council
Tuesday	February 24	9:00 am	City Council

##### Current Bids

MBARA Reefs	February 9 <sup>th</sup> @ 2:00 pm
Sanitation	February 17 <sup>th</sup> @ 2:00 pm
Lobbyist	Coming soon

##### Duke Energy Reimbursement

The cost to repair the sewer line on Canal Parkway was expensive. We paid for the repairs and billed Duke Energy. We were notified that Duke Energy will cut a check to the city for \$94,083.94. This amount includes payments to Mainline Construction, Kilgore Pavers, Core and Main, Empire and Sullivan Industrial. Once a release is signed by the city, we should see the check within 2 weeks. The only request for future issues, should they come up, is to make sure our invoices from the contractors are itemized.

#### Pier Update

We continue to have positive movement on the pier. EHP has completed their review of the EA (environmental assessment). The notice was sent today and posted on our website, so the 30-day public comment period has begun.

#### Lift Station Bypass Pump Project

Change orders were signed and sent to contractors. Anchor will coordinate the notice to proceed with Razorback and Mainline.

#### CASUNA & Ocean Plantation

The subject will be on the January 27th agenda.

#### 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 reviewing.

We anticipate approval by the end of January, which means we can bid out the project and have bids received in March with construction expected to begin in mid-April with a 9-month construction period. We are working to coordinate the construction so as not to greatly interfere with summer activities and events.

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

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

#### Public Works Water Tank Mixer System

Anchor reached out to Cyber electric for a meeting to coordinate timeline (pre-install testing, installation, start up, post install testing, etc).

#### 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 4<sup>th</sup> Street Stormwater project.

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

Bids were opened on 1-16-26. Bids for 7<sup>th</sup> Street at around \$138,000 and Sunset Park at \$145,000. Anchor reviewing bids for completeness and accuracy and will make a recommendation for the February 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### Amphitheater

BGN has now received all materials for the amphitheater. They are securing the project area with fencing.

### Water Street Seawall

Seawall has failed or has not installed correctly. Some of the soil is leaking into the canal. A stern letter was sent to the owner by the Building Department. We will keep on with this issue.

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

Nanook – Mainline is waiting on Pump materials.

14<sup>th</sup> Street – Change order from Mainline on January 27<sup>th</sup> agenda for the installation of 100' feet of conduit, wire and other materials. We discussed moving the gate to better facilitate our vac truck access to the site.

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

Work to begin either next week or the week thereafter. Pre-construction meeting was held on Tuesday.

### The Palms

The applicant will be sending the stormwater report.

### Additional Walkover

Proposal for the walkover review, conceptual design and public comment will be on the January 27<sup>th</sup> agenda.

### Sunset Park

Bonavic Construction will be getting a purchase order from the city so they can begin ordering materials and schedule repairs. The under-roof decking will probably take about 6 – 8 weeks, so that order has been submitted.

## **UTILITY DEPARTMENT**

Garret Garland

- Transformer outside of the water plant blew and caught fire. Duke energy said the cause is one of the legs went out. Generator kicked on. Duke came and replaced the pole and transformer. Got Wise Electric to check if the rotation was correct before Duke was able to reconnect line power.
- Continued replacing the 600 meters that was approved by council and also replaced any dead meters as they came up.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Kathy Lyons

1. Delivered new Food Truck Ordinances 877, 878 to Food Truck owners.
2. Fence being installed no permit. Contacted the contractor will come to City Hall to fill out fence permit.
3. Fence installed incorrectly will be back in January to correct.

4. Checked on 7<sup>th</sup> Street house, roof completed.
5. Received several Special Events request for weddings on the beach.
6. Received approximately 5 fence permit requests.
7. Notice of Violation sent for unsafe boat dock.
8. Removed several snipe signs and signs bolted to telephone poles.
9. Checking for Bad Mama Jama wants to install a sign on the lot.

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT

### Issued Permits

Permit Issued Date: 01/16/2026 - 01/22/2026

Permit Issued Date	Property Address	Permit Number	Contractor	Category	Valuation	Subdivision
Permit Type			Electric Permit			
Permit Status			In Progress			
01/16/2026	104 22ND ST N, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0005	Current Solutions - EC13007319	One Stop	\$140,000.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT #3 235C4
01/21/2026	103 29TH ST N, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0006		One Stop	\$1,500.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT 4 235C2
<b>Count: 2</b>					<b>Total: \$141,500.00</b>	
Permit Type			Pool / Hot Tub (Residential Alteration)			
Permit Status			In Progress			
01/20/2026	116 37TH ST A, MEXICO BEACH	25MB-RB0162	Cox Pools - CPC1459628	Residential Alteration	\$74,708.00	
<b>Count: 1</b>					<b>Total: \$74,708.00</b>	
<b>Total Permits: 3</b>			<b>Valuation Total: \$216,208.00</b>			