



# City of Mexico Beach

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## Weekly Report May 1, 2026



### **National No Pants Day Edition**

(Donald Duck didn't wear pants, so why should we?)

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

##### Upcoming Meetings

Monday	May 4	6:00 pm	P & Z
Tuesday	May 12	9:00 am	City Council
Tuesday	May 26	9:00 am	City Council

##### Bids/RFQ's/RFP's

RFQ for strategic planning consultant services	2:00 pm	May 6
RFP for Boat Ramp & Expansion	2:00 pm	May 15

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

Almost done...but not quite! The crosswalk should be completed today (unless it rains). Some sod was installed, but more to come next week. Hopefully we are just a week or two from opening the bridge. Duke Energy has a little work to do with one of the poles, but that won't interfere with the opening date.

##### Sunset Park Pavilion

Work continues on the pavilion. We still anticipate the work to be completed ahead of the Memorial Day holiday.

## Cul-de-sac at Canal Parkway

The original plan was to go cheap and spray the existing white parking stripes with black paint. As you can see in the first picture, that was not acceptable.



We signed a change order for \$7,800.00 to coat the whole cul-de-sac and stripe the area properly. We can all agree the finished product is much better. Thanks to Sam, the PWD and Juli for catching the original process before it got started.





## Pier

Great News! The EA (environmental assessment) has been completed by FEMA. EHP (Environmental Planning and Historical Preservation) is in contact with the USACE (U. S. Army Corp of Engineers) and is providing the EA to them. The project is turned back to the CRC (Consolidated Resource Center) for the cost revision (taking the original estimate and approving the bid price). We have a meeting scheduled for Monday with FEMA to get any updates. Our concern now is a price increase because the contractor, by contract, held bid pricing until April 15.

## Lift Station Bypass Pump Project

Anchor has asked Razorback for an installation date for each pump. City will need to have the pumps delivered to each site once we get installation date confirmation. Not an easy task due to the size and weight of the pumps. We may need to rent a heavy piece of equipment to accomplish the task.

## Boat ramp

Addendum #1 has been posted. Bid opening on May 15. Revised drawings sent back to the Army Corp for permit review.

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

FDEP Permits have been received and plans approved. Anchor is working with environmental consultants and permitting agencies to determine when MKM can begin construction as the turtle nesting season began today.

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

Nanook Rd – Startup report is good. No comments or issues found after Anchor's review. Mainline has requested a final walk through to be scheduled with Mainline, City and Anchor.

14<sup>th</sup> Street – Startup/dataflow scheduled for May 12<sup>th</sup> per Mainline.

## Dune Walkover #3

Anchor has requested a pre-application meeting with permitting agencies (FDEP & FWC) to discuss layout prior to full design.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Street Stormwater Project

Mainline is finalizing the remaining scope, complete as-builts, and will send over pipe videos.

Mainline has requested a final walk through to be scheduled with Mainline, City and Anchor.

#### Amphitheater

Concrete pile installation has been completed. Anchor has coordinated with BGN and is good with an electrical change from 400 to 200 amps. The next three weeks will be spent on site preparation. The actual pavilion should be erected between May 25 to June 12 with a substantial completion date of June 22.

#### Bailey Lane

We are working with our legal counsel to determine a method to acquire Bailey Lane and ultimately rebuild the bridge to allow golf cart traffic. This action will benefit the property owners as it relieves them of any liability from any accidents on the pavement. The owners will be contacted before any action is taken once a process has been determined.

#### Joe Drive

The St. Joe Company has previously indicated they wish to give Joe Drive to the city. We contacted them to say our attorneys will be working to accomplish that goal.

#### Lawsuit

The city has been served with a lawsuit from former administrator Hubbard. The matter has already been turned over to our insurance carrier, and a Panama City firm has been given the case.

#### Jetty

Now that FEMA is open and the jetty obligated, we await current pricing from the contractor so we can move forward with the project.

#### Beach Parking

We have been in contact with Dr. Spillers who owns the property at 2600 HWY 98. He indicated he would be willing to lease the property to the city and talk about the terms of the agreement that was considered in 2023. If an agreement can be reached, the city would apply crushed shells on the property to create a solid base for parking and add parking bumpers to better organize parking.

## **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

Sam Buccieri, PWD

The removal of two dead palm trees on Canal Parkway is scheduled for next week.

Bleachers for the pickleball court are expected to be delivered on Monday.

Sod installation began today on the north side of Joe Drive and is anticipated to be completed by Tuesday. We are currently awaiting the contractor's schedule for sod installation on the south side of Joe Drive; no confirmed timeline is available at this time.

Relocation of beach trash cans—from the street side to the beach side of access points—is planned for next week.

The cul-de-sac on Canal Parkway was fully completed.

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Kathy Lyons

Several courtesy violations were issued at the boat launch.

Notice of Violations sent to cut lots.

Received call from a person on 386 complaining we were destroying her driveway and putting in a pipe for drainage. Told her to call Gulf County we were not doing work on her property.

Lots of trash being thrown out on 8<sup>th</sup> & Florida, spoke to owner they were cleaning out his Aunt's house who passed away said one of the trash guys told him they will pick up the trash. Yes, we will pick up the trash, and you will receive a bill from Public Works.

Complaint trash can holder in right of way, will notify homeowner to remove the holder.

Received a check for the fine given for fence incorrectly erected.

This is now Turtle season please make sure you have the correct light fixtures during this season.

# BUILDING DEPARTMENT

## Issued Permits

Permit Issued Date: 04/24/2026 - 04/30/2026

Permit Issued Date	Property Address	Permit Number	Contractor	Category	Valuation	Subdivision
Permit Type			Commercial Minor			
04/27/2026	102 CANAL PKWY, Mexico Beach	26MB-CM0001		Zoning		MEXICO BEACH UNIT # 7
<b>Count: 1</b>			<b>Total:</b>			
Permit Type			Detached Single Family			
04/24/2026	109 27TH ST S, Mexico Beach	26MB-RB0034		Residential New	\$1,828,000.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT 4 235C2
<b>Count: 1</b>			<b>Total: \$1,828,000.00</b>			
Permit Type			Fire Alarm			
04/30/2026	5501 Hwy 98, Mexico Beach	26MB-FA0001		One Stop	\$253,826.00	
<b>Count: 1</b>			<b>Total: \$253,826.00</b>			
Permit Type			Generator			
04/30/2026	113 20th Street, Mexico Beach	26MB-GEN0001		One Stop		
<b>Count: 1</b>			<b>Total:</b>			
Permit Type			Patio Enclosure			
04/27/2026	473 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	26MB-RB0024	Godwin Project Solutions CRC1333071	Residential Alteration	\$2,300.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
<b>Count: 1</b>			<b>Total: \$2,300.00</b>			
Permit Type			Plumbing Permit			
04/24/2026	106 37th St South Unit B, Mexico Beach	26MB-P0032		One Stop	\$550,000.00	
04/24/2026	106 37TH ST S A, Mexico Beach	26MB-P0033		One Stop	\$550,000.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT 5 BEG AT ELY
04/27/2026	234 Nannook Rd, Mexico beach	26MB-P0034	M and L Plumbing CFC1432572	One Stop	\$440,310.36	
<b>Count: 3</b>			<b>Total: \$1,540,310.36</b>			
Permit Type			Pool / Hot Tub (Residential Alteration)			
04/29/2026	107 12TH ST N, Mexico Beach	26MB-RB0036		Residential Alteration	\$52,280.00	MEXICO BEACH BUSINESS CENTER
<b>Count: 1</b>			<b>Total: \$52,280.00</b>			
<b>Total Permits: 9</b>			<b>Valuation Total: \$3,676,716.36</b>			