



City of Mexico Beach

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Weekly Report May 8, 2026



National Give Someone a Cupcake Day Edition
(Chocolate please. And maybe bigger than the one in the picture)

CITY ADMINISTRATOR Mell Smigielski

Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday	May 12	9:00 am	City Council
Monday	May 18	6:00 pm	P & Z
Tuesday	May 26	9:00 am	City Council

Bids/RFQ's/RFP's

RFP for Boat Ramp & Expansion	2:00 pm	May 15
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15th Street Pedestrian Bridge

Striping is complete. Harders is scheduled to lay the remaining sod next week.

Sunset Park Pavilion

Work continues on the pavilion. Siding has been replaced and painted. Roof work continues. We still anticipate the work to be completed ahead of the Memorial Day holiday.

Lift Station Bypass Pump Project

Public Works will deliver the pumps to each site today. Razorback will set the pumps on 5/11. Work is expected to be completed by the end of May.

Emergency Training Exercise

Bay County EOC in conjunction with the countywide entities, are holding a training exercise on May 27, 28 & 29. Very timely due to the fact we are knocking on the door to hurricane season.

On Thursday, Chief Walker arranged for our senior staff to get refresher training on procedures and forms so those new to the area are not blindsided during the May exercise.

Jetty

The updated pricing for the jetty project takes the total FEMA-obligated price from \$4,267,436.00 to \$4,333,732.33. The \$66,296.33 increase is only 1.5% of the original total, so we should be good because FEMA may allow for up to 20%. The increase is not due to the contractor, but to the increase in costs from their material suppliers. Contracts with the contractor and our consulting engineers should be approved by the Council on Tuesday. The notice to proceed will be issued once the contractor obtains their bonds and insurance. The project, once started, will be for a period of 200 days.

Pier

Now that FEMA is fully functional, the process is moving forward. I won't bore y'all with the red tape details, but we are shooting for a notice to proceed on September 1. In the meantime, the contractor is in the process of updating pricing with their suppliers.

Sunstop

The annexation of the Sunstop convenience store is moving forward. Ordinances have been prepared and scheduled.

Boat ramp

Addendum #2 has been posted. Bid opening on May 15. Army Corps is reviewing the revised permit drawings.

Dune Walkovers at 7th and Sunset Park

Anchor is working with environmental consultants and permitting agencies to determine when MKM can begin construction as the turtle nesting season began on 05/01. FDEP officials commented they are amenable to allow construction, but we are not sure what that means on a practical level. In other words, what precautions do we take to protect the turtles.

Nanook and 14th Street Lift Stations

Nanook Rd – Final walk through was completed on 05/04 with no issues. Anchor is reviewing the final pay application.

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

Dune Walkover #3

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

4th Street Stormwater Project

Mainline sent over final as-builts and are being reviewed by Anchor.

Amphitheater

Concrete pile installation has been completed. BGN's schedule for this week shows sitework. The actual pavilion should be erected between May 25 to June 12 with a substantial completion date of June 22.

Bay County Antenna

We received the agreement with Bay County to allow the city to install our equipment on the County owned antenna on the 25-acre site. This equipment will allow our Utility Department to automatically read all our water meters without the need to drive around in a truck to each neighborhood to pick up the signal from the meters.

MBARA Reefs

This from MBARA and the latest reef deployment: This project is funded by a grant from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and City of Mexico Beach/Mexico Beach Artificial Reef Association.

The City of Mexico Beach is scheduled to deploy 30 prefabricated artificial reef structures manufactured and placed by Walter Marine on one trip/voyage during the week of 15 Jun 2026. This will take place in 6 sites off the coast of Mexico Beach, FL. The sites have current/active permits issued by USACE and FL DEP as applicable. All planned placements listed meet the permitted 40-foot reef top to MLLW water surface requirements as applicable.

Pickleball Courts

The courts have been open for a couple of weeks, but earlier this week we added some bleachers. The fence is complete, the slats are in the fence and the netting is up. All those involved did an awesome job.



Here are the bleachers. Even the water fountain has been refurbished with new parts that allow cool water (a professional photographer would have moved the broom from the picture, but you get what you get).



FLOODPLAIN CONSULTANT

We have issued 604 minor floodplain reports/permits and conducted 119 compliance inspections to date.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Issued Permits

Permit Issued Date: 05/01/2026 - 05/07/2026

Permit Issued Date	Property Address	Permit Number	Contractor	Category	Valuation	Subdivision
Permit Type			Detached Single Family			
05/05/2026	464 Town Village Way, Mexico Beach	25MB-RB0152	Holiday Builders CGC058770	Residential New	\$335,000.00	
05/06/2026	118 42ND ST S, Mexico Beach	26MB-RB0042		Residential New	\$623,058.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT # 7
Count: 2			Total: \$958,058.00			
Permit Type			Electric Permit			
05/05/2026	444 TOWN VILLAGE WAY, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0044		One Stop	\$356,779.90	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
05/05/2026	414 WATER BEND WAY, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0045		One Stop	\$356,779.90	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
Count: 2			Total: \$713,559.80			
Permit Type			Mechanical Permit			
05/04/2026	444 TOWN VILLAGE WAY, Mexico Beach	26MB-M0045		One Stop	\$356,779.90	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
05/04/2026	414 WATER BEND WAY, Mexico Beach	26MB-M0046		One Stop	\$356,779.90	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
Count: 2			Total: \$713,559.80			
Permit Type			Plumbing Permit			
05/07/2026	610 Georgia Avenue, Mexico Beach	26MB-P0035	Plumbazing Plumbing Services CFC1430491	One Stop	\$260,000.00	
Count: 1			Total: \$260,000.00			
Permit Type			Pole Barn / Shed			
05/05/2026	205 5TH ST, Mexico Beach	26MB-RB0041		Residential Alteration	\$8,200.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT #12
Count: 1			Total: \$8,200.00			
Total Permits: 8			Valuation Total: \$2,653,377.60			