



City of Mexico Beach

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Weekly Report May 22, 2026



National Don't Fry Day Edition

(We are not talking about chicken, shrimp or hamburgers)

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Mell Smigielski

Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday	May 26	9:00 am	City Council
Monday	June 1	6:00 pm	P & Z
Tuesday	June 9	9:00 am	City Council
Tuesday	June 23	9:00 am	City Council

15th Street Pedestrian Bridge

We completed the final walk through and discovered a 1.5" expansion gap at each end of the bridge, which is wider than the ADA allows. A thin aluminum plate is proposed that will span the gap and still allow the bridge to move as needed. The structural engineer has reviewed and finds the solution acceptable. Harders will hopefully fill the gap today, so the contract completion date (05/23) can be honored.

Sunset Park Pavilion

The only thing left is the roof, gutters and utilities. Roof materials were not available, so we are looking at another week and a half. But we are soooo close.

Lift Station Bypass Pump Project

Mainline has started piping installation at LS 9.

Sanitation Notice

We've officially wrapped up delivery of the new city garbage containers — Thank you everyone for your patience during the rollout!

Starting June 1, 2026, all household trash must be placed in the city-issued containers. Any trash left outside of a city-issued container may result in an excessive garbage charge. In other words, if you're still using your old cans or putting trash bags next to the street, your trash could be considered "extra" — and nobody likes surprise fees!

We also wanted to clear up a little confusion about containers storage and enclosures:

- Garbage containers must be kept out of sight from the road except on trash pickup day.
- Enclosures are not required — whether you build one is completely your choice.
- If you do decide to build an enclosure, please be sure it includes a gate.

One last reminder: If you'd like us to dispose of your old garbage containers, just give City Hall/Public Works a call at 850-648-5700 ext. 3 and we'll be happy to help take care of them.

Thank you again for helping keep our community looking great!

Sunstop

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

Boat ramp

Bid opening was held on May 19. HG Harders is the apparent low bidder. Anchor is reviewing the bids and putting together a recommendation for award letter. Action is expected to take place at the June 9 city council meeting. Army Corps is reviewing the revised permit drawings.

Dune Walkovers at 7th and Sunset Park

FDEP officials are reviewing options for MKM to begin construction during turtle nesting season. The process, if allowed, would require an amended permit. Rest assured the city has no desire to adjust the dunes in any way (contrary to a report by a local TV station).

Nanook and 14th Street Lift Stations

Nanook Rd – Anchor will send over the final pay application.

14th Street – Startup/dataflow was completed on May 12th. Mainline will send report.

Dune Walkover #3

Survey is underway. Pre-app meeting has been requested with FDEP & FWC. FWC is reviewing conceptual layouts.

Amphitheater

BGN's is still forming concrete footers and running conduit for electrical. Next step will be to erect the pavilion.

Strategic Pan RFQ

Proposals have been received and the request made to city council members to rate the proposals so we can move forward with getting the process moving.

1100 HWY 98 Development Application

The application for a beach store is running through P & Z and being reviewed by our consultants. The owner will temporarily put in a coffee food trailer and rent golf carts, umbrellas and chairs until the process is complete.

Pier

Gorman is getting updated pricing on materials from their suppliers so we can give an updated figure to FEMA.

FLOODPLAIN CONSULTANT

We have issued 606 minor floodplain reports/permits and conducted 122 compliance inspections to date.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Issued Permits

Permit Issued Date: 05/15/2026 - 05/21/2026

Permit Issued Date	Property Address	Permit Number	Contractor	Category	Valuation	Subdivision
Permit Type			Electric Permit			
05/18/2026	136 CANAL PKWY, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0049		One Stop	\$75,000.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT #7
05/18/2026	610 Georgia Avenue, Mexico Beach	26MB-E0050		One Stop	\$260,000.00	
Count: 2			Total: \$335,000.00			
Permit Type			Mechanical Permit			
05/21/2026	136 CANAL PKWY, Mexico Beach	26MB-M0049		One Stop	\$600,000.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT #7
Count: 1			Total: \$600,000.00			
Permit Type			Plumbing Permit			
05/19/2026	107 CIRCLE DR, Mexico Beach	25MB-P0081	K&C SONS	One Stop	\$280,000.00	
Count: 1			Total: \$280,000.00			
Permit Type			Pool / Hot Tub (Residential Alteration)			
05/15/2026	136 CANAL PKWY, Mexico Beach	26MB-RB0043		Residential Alteration	\$75,000.00	MEXICO BEACH UNIT #7
05/19/2026	481 SALT CREEK LN, Mexico Beach	26MB-RB0047		Residential Alteration	\$84,950.00	SALT CREEK AT MEXICO BEACH PH2
05/20/2026	54 1ST ST, Mexico Beach	26MB-RB0045		Residential Alteration	\$122,500.00	MEXICO BEACH U-9
Count: 3			Total: \$282,450.00			
Permit Type			Residential New Roof			
05/18/2026	216 KIM KOVE, MEXICO BEACH	26MB-RR0041	Standing Seam Roofing LLC CCC1333346	One Stop	\$550,000.00	
Count: 1			Total: \$550,000.00			
Total Permits: 8			Valuation Total: \$2,047,450.00			