

# HARBOR COMMISSION

## Director's Report

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### Updates:

- New Public Boat Launch Project – Staff has chosen a finalist to become the City's consultant to design the boat launch. A draft of the contract has been prepared and is being reviewed by the attorneys for both the consultant and city. Staff anticipates bringing the contract to City Council for review either July 16 or August 6.
- International Boardwalk Pavers - New pavers are slated to replace the existing asphalt walkway along International Boardwalk. City Council appropriated approximately one million dollars for the project. Staff has confirmed that construction will begin September 3, 2024, after the Labor Day weekend, which will avoid the busy summer season and will allow time to procure materials. Construction work is anticipated to be 60 days in duration.
- Seaside Lagoon - The Seaside Lagoon remodel project continues to progress. The consultant team continues to work with the Fire Department to work through design options to address fire access concerns along the promenade. Staff and the consultant have identified four options to satisfy fire code requirements and are conceptually designing those options (with anticipated costs) for consideration by Commissions and City Council. Staff anticipates needing a couple of weeks to design those options and upon completion will appear at the Riviera Village Farmers Market at the end of July. The project will appear before the Harbor Commission in August.
- Sea Level Rise Grant Applications – On June 26, 2024, WED staff completed/submitted a grant proposal to the Ocean Protection Council SB1 Grant Program. The OPC has made grant money available for purposes of addressing Sea Level Rise concerns within our shorefront community. Staff plans to use the grant money (if awarded) to update our sea level rise assessment from 2018, incorporate climate change circumstances into the assessment, and update the City's Local Coastal Plan to reflect previous amendments that were adopted by Coastal Commission but never

incorporated into the text. Previous amendments were simply included as attachments to the original LCP, requiring a complicated process of sifting through the attachments to verify applicable text.

- Blade Signs at International Boardwalk – WED staff continues to work with a consultant to install new pedestrian-oriented blade signs for each of the International Boardwalk tenants. Staff anticipates bringing a contract forward for City Council consideration in August.
- Sea Bass Grow Pens – The Harbor Commission and City Council directed staff to coordinate the placement of a seabass grow pen facility located at the Harbor Patrol docks. WED staff have been working with a consultant to establish a scope of work, overall cost, and anticipated schedule for the project. An itemized list of materials with associated costs has been submitted by the consultant. Staff continues to work with the consultant to procure a scope of work and schedule. In the meantime, a contract is currently being drafted. Staff is hopeful to present the contract to City Council in August/September.
- International Boardwalk Storefront Improvement Program – Staff has received three applications from International Boardwalk tenants to take advantage of our matching grant program designed to encourage improvements to the storefronts. All three applications include new windows, siding, paint, and signage. Staff has prepared contracts for two of the applicants and is currently reviewing the third application. Staff anticipates bringing contracts for the first two to City Council on July 16.
- Marina Parking Lot Pay stations Project – WED staff is currently in the process of converting the method in which guests pay for parking within the marina surface parking lot. The project includes eliminating the human operated booth in favor of automated pay stations. The project includes demolition of the existing booth, installation of pay stations similar to those found within the parking structures, new asphalt and striping. In June, a consultant prepared an aerial survey of the site as well as a CASp survey to detail necessary ADA upgrades. Staff is working with Engineering consultants to complete the next phase of the project, which includes incorporating the surveys into drawings for building permit submittal. Phase 3 would consist of construction, which is anticipated to take two weeks. Staff is hopeful to bring a contract for engineering services to City Council in September.

### **Topics for next meeting in August**

- The next Harbor Commission meeting is scheduled for August 12, 2024. Staff anticipates presenting the Seaside Lagoon Renovation project.