

# City of Marco Island

**Date:** October 20, 2025

To: City Council

**From:** Fire Rescue Chief Chris Byrne

**Through:** Mike McNees, City Manager

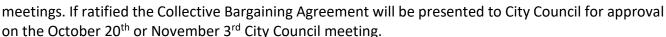
**Re:** Fire Rescue Monthly Report

#### **Day of Service Award**

On September 12<sup>th</sup>, Engineer Paramedic Brad Underwood received the Day of Service Award for Outstanding Achievement at Collier County Readiness Summitt for his leadership and bravery during an offshore marine rescue incident. Brad received the award on behalf of the entire crew, Battalion Chief Cory, Firefighter Paramedic Brandon Sierra and Firefighter Paramedic John Chimpoulis.

# **Contract Negotiations**

A Collective Bargaining session was conducted with the Professional Firefighters of Marco Island on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. An Agreement was reached on a proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement. The Union is currently scheduling ratification



# September 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Ceremony

Approximately 75 members of the community and City staff attended the City's September 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Ceremony hosted by the Fire Rescue and Police Departments. The solemn ceremony served as our commitment to "Never Forget" the innocent victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attack.



#### Fire Apparatus

Engine 50 : Was removed from service on September 9<sup>th</sup> due to an injector failure. The Engine remains out of service, 23 days to date.

# **Public Education/Community Outreach**

- The Department conducted four (4) CPR / AED Classes, instructing forty (40) students.
- Thirty-one (31) packages of NARCAN distributed.
- Firefighter Paramedics provided safety standby during a MIA Football game at Winterberry Park on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

## **September Fire Rescue Incident Statistics**

|                      | September | 2025 YTD |
|----------------------|-----------|----------|
| Total Incidents      | 271       | 2,978    |
| Total Unit Responses | 462       | 4,594    |

## **Incident Detail**

| Alarm Responses                 | September | 2025 YTD | September | 2024 YTD |
|---------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
|                                 | 2025      |          | 2024      |          |
| 100 - Fire                      | 2         | 39       | 1         | 32       |
| 200- Overpressure / Rupture     | 0         | 2        | 0         | 0        |
| 300 – EMS / Rescue              | 135       | 1900     | 149       | 1890     |
| 400 – Hazards Condition         | 11        | 86       | 14        | 68       |
| 500 - Service Calls             | 19        | 306      | 26        | 343      |
| 600 – Good Intent               | 35        | 218      | 24        | 236      |
| 700 - False Alarm               | 66        | 407      | 75        | 541      |
| 800- Weather / Natural Disaster | 2         | 4        | 0         | 1        |
| 900 - Special Incident          | 1         | 16       | 4         | 19       |
| Total                           | 271       | 2,978    | 293       | 3,130    |

## **Training Division**

• Fire Prevention staff provided a Hideaway Fitness Center familiarization walkthrough to all Firefighter personnel

# **Training Topics**

- Medical: SW FL Regional Guidelines; Cyano kit administration.
- Fire Operations: Hose Operations; Tools and Equipment; Forcible Entry; Pre Planning
- **Driver Operator:** Apparatus Operations
- Officer Development: Captain Officer Development EMS QA/QI & Report Writing
- **Hazmat:** Haz-Mat Monitors
- Marine: Marine Firefighting.

| Training Division Activity | September Training<br>Hours | 2025 YTD |  |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|--|
| Fire Operations            | 82                          | 1855     |  |
| Officer Training           | 5                           | 201      |  |
| Driver Training            | 44                          | 240      |  |
| Medical Training           | 246                         | 1281     |  |
| Hazmat Training            | 2                           | 241      |  |
| Marine Operations          | 25                          | 561      |  |
| Total                      | 328                         | 4,865    |  |

# **Response Survey Cards**

The Fire Department sends a survey card to individuals who call 911 for an emergency. Thirty-one (31) responses were received during September representing an 11% return rate.

| September 2025                    |           |      |      |      |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|------|------|------|
| MIFD Personnel                    | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor |
| Helpfulness of Employees          | 90%       | 10%  | 0%   | 0%   |
| Speed of service                  | 90%       | 6%   | 3%   | 0%   |
| Appearance of Personnel           | 94%       | 6%   | 0%   | 0%   |
| Sensitivity of Personnel          | 90%       | 6%   | 0%   | 3%   |
| Communication skills of Personnel | 90%       | 10%  | 0%   | 0%   |
| Medical care given by Personnel   | 87%       | 13%  | 0%   | 0%   |
| Handling your emergency           | 94%       | 6%   | 0%   | 0%   |
| 911 call taker                    | 96%       | 4%   | 0%   | 0%   |
| Hospitals                         |           |      |      |      |
| NCH-Downtown                      | 86%       | 0%   | 14%  | 0%   |
| PRH- Collier Blvd                 | 84%       | 16%  | 0%   | 0%   |



# City of Marco Island Fire Rescue Department

Fire Prevention Division – Monthly Report | Reporting Period: September 2025

**Division Revenue Summary** 

| Revenue Source                        | September 2025 | FYTD 2025    | September 2024 | FYTD 2024    |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| Fire Plan Review                      | \$17,075.39    | \$219,165.02 | \$14,118.70    | \$234,031.06 |
| <b>Permit Fire Inspections</b>        | \$18,683.19    | \$305,761.01 | \$14,264.35    | \$263,999.58 |
| Fire Technology Fee                   | \$1,614.95     | \$25,005.51  | \$1,280.50     | \$25,486.02  |
| Fire Impact Fee                       | \$4,514.16     | \$55,838.02  | \$2,471.95     | \$83,028.44  |
| Existing Building Insp – False Alarms | \$12,318.00    | \$253,836.75 | \$6,117.00     | \$148,416.25 |
| Total                                 | \$54,205.69    | \$859,606.31 | \$38,252.50    | \$754,961.35 |

**Summary:** Revenue increased across most categories compared to September 2024, with notable gains in Permit Fire Inspections and False Alarm Fees. Fiscal year-to-date (FYTD) revenue shows a 14% overall increase from the same period last year.

## **Division Activity Summary**

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|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| Activity                             | September 2025 | FYTD 2025 | September 2024 | FYTD 2024 |
| Fire Plans Review                    | 187            | 2,014     | 184            | 2,151     |
| <b>New Construction / Permitting</b> | 473            | 3,394     | 562            | 2,652     |
| Inspections                          |                |           |                |           |
| Existing Buildings / Annual          | 137            | 1,514     | 101            | 1,573     |
| Inspections                          |                |           |                |           |
| Violations Cited                     | 110            | 1,038     | 73             | 1,395     |
| Fire Investigations                  | 1              | 12        | 1              | 18        |
| Fire Inspector Training              | 45 hrs.        | 531 hrs.  | 0 hrs.         | 85 hrs.   |
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**Summary:** Inspection and plan review volumes remained steady, while FYTD training hours show significant growth, reflecting ongoing staff development efforts.

#### **Notable Highlights & Activities**

#### 1. Fire Investigation

On September 18, 2025, a vehicle fire investigation was conducted at 560 Coconut Avenue. The involved Hyundai Santa Fe had been fully extinguished by fire crews and was determined to be a total loss. Fire patterns indicated an engine compartment origin, with burn-through and downward charring consistent with leaking fluids. The fire spread rapidly from the front to the rear of the vehicle, consuming the passenger compartment and causing severe heat deformation to exterior panels. Radiant heat scorched nearby turf and landscaping where the vehicle had been parked. No injuries were reported.

#### 2. Code Conformance Support

Fire Prevention staff participated in eleven (11) coordination meetings with contractors and design professionals to guide projects toward compliance with fire and life safety codes during design and construction phases.

#### 3. Knox Box Retrofit Project

On Monday, September 29, 2025, in coordination with the Fire Marshal, Knox Company representatives retrofitted e-core cylinders in ninety-three (93) Knox Boxes across the Island. The new cylinders improve weather resistance and prevent corrosion. The project incurred no additional costs.

#### 4. Professional Development

Fire Inspector Borrego successfully completed BFST/ATPC2111 Fire Chemistry, a 45-hour course that satisfies part of the requirements for Fire Inspector II and Fire Investigator certification.