



# City of Marco Island

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Date: May 18, 2020  
To: City Council  
From: Daniel James Smith, AICP, Director of Community Affairs  
Re: Community Affairs Department

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## **Samantha Malloy, CPRP - Manager of Parks, Culture & Recreation**

### **Community Special Events.**

- No community events are taking place currently.

### **Programming-Racquet Center**

- Both Tennis and Pickleball courts have been unlocked and available for free play, with limitations. They are available on a first come/first serve basis. We hope that everyone will be polite and courteous of each other.

### **Programming – Mackle Park Community Center**

- Our staff have been creating short videos to stay connected to our community. The videos consist of exercises, craft ideas, park reminders, and creative writing prompts.
- Staff continues with our daily park usage checks and park monitoring.
- Dates for recurring programs for next season have been chosen but not yet posted.
- Staff is in the process of planning and providing options for our summer camps that include reduced staff/camper ratios, increased cleaning and sanitizing, daily health monitoring, etc.
- Our “Leader in Training” program has been planned and all applications have been updated. Once we are able to resume programing, we will make available to the public.
- We have one PT Park Attendant position open.

### **Park Usage Reporting**

- Mackle Park – we are seeing groups of 20+ people at times congregating around the bocce courts. Social distancing is a challenge with this sport.
- Mackle Park – For the most part, people are social distancing well in other areas

- such as basketball courts, Dog Park, fields, & walkway.
- Racquet Center – We have not seen an issue with our Tennis players. At times we have a higher volume of Pickleball players which makes it more of a challenge for social distancing, but the players have been cooperative when reminded.
- Winterberry – Daily softball games are being played. We have not seen an issue with social distancing.
- Veterans Community Park – Staff has noticed an increase in usage. People are having picnics, playing catch, dog walking. No social distancing concerns.

#### Facilities Update:

##### **Mackle Park**

- The parking lot has been repaved and resealed.
- The walkway around the lake has been resealed.
- We are continuing to paint areas around the playground.
- Three garbage cans and two picnic tables are being replaced.
- We are in the process of painting the parking blocks.
- Our sidewalk was damaged during field maintenance. Our vendor will be repairing the damage.
- The sink for outside restroom is not working. Our maintenance staff are working on the repair.
- Our staff is completing Crisis Track for hurricane preparedness at all parks.

##### **Winterberry Park**

- No scheduled programs are taking place. Free play only.
- Regular field maintenance continues.

##### **Veterans Community Park**

- Staff is doing regular trash pickup and fountain maintenance.

##### **Racquet Center**

- Progress continues with the restroom renovation.
- Staff is working on painting the benches, railing, & porch floors.
- Regular maintenance continues for the courts.

##### **TBE**

- The baseball field has been raked and cleaned up.
- There is an issue with the reclaimed water. The school has been notified.

##### **Leigh Plummer**

- The pathway has been repaired.

**Building Services – Raul Perez, Chief Building Official**

Plan Review Timeframes (Days to Complete)						
Plan Review Type	November	December	January	February	March	April
Building Review	1.58	1.72	1.93	2.22	3.35	2.13
Plumbing Review	8.62	2.31	1.90	1.66	1.96	2.16
Mechanical Review	5.91	3.00	2.59	2.63	3.06	2.39
Fuel/Gas Review	10.33	2.64	1.88	1.47	2.38	1.88
Electrical Review	7.61	4.16	4.49	3.48	4.64	7.19
Planning Review	5	4.02	2.11	5.30	5.90	6.24
Zoning Review	4.67	4.80	3.02	5.27	7.13	5.05
Environmental Review	1.21	1.86	2.52	2.16	2.36	1.48
Floodplain Review	6.75	5.00	5.03	7.30	9.17	7.72
Fire Review	2.23	2.59	2.55	1.73	3.16	3.96
Public Works Review	3.25	6.20	2.39	3.30	11.00	2.77
Utilities	4.86	3.56	7.20	12.05	12.54	10.83
Inspection Timeframes (Days to Complete)						
Inspection Type	November	December	January	February	March	April
Building Inspections	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day
Mechanical Inspections	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day
Plumbing Inspections	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day
Fuel/Gas Inspections	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day
Electrical Inspections	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day
Fire Inspections	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day
Landscape Inspections	4 Days	7 Days	1 Day	2 Days	1 Day	2 Days
Spot Survey inspection	3 Days	4 Days	6 Days	3 Days	4 Days	5 Days
Final Survey Inspection	16 Days	35 Days	1 Day	5 Days	4 Days	3 Days
Spot Elevation Certificate Inspection	1 Day	1 Day	2 Days	1 Day	4 Days	All Next Day
Final Elevation Certificate Inspection	3 Days	1 Day	4 Day	2 Days	4 Days	1 Day
Pre-Permit Inspections (Enviro)	5 Days	4 Days	5 Days	7 Days	2 Days	1 Day
Public Works Inspections	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day	All Next Day

City Manager Monthly Report	Jan-20	Feb-20	Mar-20	Apr-20	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	
Completed Permits													
New Single Family	15	11	14	4	9	5	15	4	8	10	7	5	New Single Family
Commercial Buildings	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	Commercial Buildings
Permits Issued													Permits Issued
Single Family - New	6	11	9	5	12	8	9	8	9	8	3	10	Single Family - New
Commercial - New	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Commercial - New
Condo Remodel	32	24	46	59	99	63	68	85	50	28	24	24	Condo Remodel
Seawall or Dock	42	29	45	47	41	30	59	57	38	45	20	32	Seawall or Dock
Sewer Connection	14	12	20	4	10	15	14	7	13	9	2	6	Sewer Connection
Demolition (Teardown)	1	1	3	1	1	2	1	4	3	1	1	1	Demolition (Teardown)
Other	552	414	411	402	720	613	556	647	538	483	392	434	Other
Total Permits Issued	648	492	536	518	883	731	707	808	651	574	442	507	Total Permits Issued
Inspections Performed	2392	2150	2207	1885	2960	2567	2636	2996	2771	3325	2540	2244	Inspections Performed
Permits Applied for	705	609	569	609	907	807	815	740	580	667	428	622	Permits Applied for
Revenue													Revenue
Building Services	\$190,657	\$153,965	\$223,455	\$149,704	\$235,883	\$166,294	\$176,892	\$223,241	\$170,572	\$126,348	\$96,491	\$146,082	Building Services
Collier Impact Fees	\$129,326	\$234,603	\$203,352	\$46,181	\$213,748	\$150,165	\$189,700	\$114,919	\$210,817	\$43,823	\$41,679	\$166,716	Collier Impact Fees
Marco Impact Fees	\$83,534	\$161,301	\$144,920	\$72,814	\$148,616	\$73,545	\$119,584	\$100,943	\$132,122	\$54,545	\$27,721	\$117,749	Marco Impact Fees

## GROWTH MANAGEMENT

Daniel Smith-Director of Community Affairs

Sherry Hoyo, Planner I/Zone Admin.

Mary P Holden, Senior Planner

Tonia Selmeski, Environmental Planner

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Kelli DeFedericis, Flood Plain Coordinator

Sabine Scholz, Planning & Zoning Tech.

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## GROWTH MANAGEMENT UPDATE APRIL 2020

April was an unusual month due to the stay at home order. However, we kept up with reviews, inspections, various virtual meetings, email and phone call inquiries from architects, engineers, contractors, builders, business owners and homeowners discussing proposed projects and projects under construction.

### **Comprehensive Plan:**

We virtually met a few times with our consultants establishing a rough time frame for completion of certain tasks. Such as demographic updates, mapping, and getting the Steering Committee finalized.

### **Planning Board:**

The April and May Planning Board meetings were postponed due to stay at home and COVID 19 concerns. We are on schedule to meet on June 5, 2020 and there will be a four items as of now.

### **Growth Management Work Schedule:**

Growth Management successfully telecommuted. We kept tempo with reviews. Planning reviews took an average of 6.24 days, Zoning reviews averaged 5.05 days, Environmental reviews averaged 1.48 days and Floodplain reviews averaged 7.72 days.

We virtually met everyday, phone calls and emails were promptly returned, we had two virtual pre-application meetings with applicants and except for not being able to meet in person, we addressed the needs of residents, businesses and the development community.

### **Plan Reviews**

Growth Management kept pace with the reviews. As you can see from the following chart, from April 1 through April 30, 2020, Growth Management has completed a total of 434 reviews for permit applications. The breakout is as follows:

Environmental	59
Flood Plain/FEMA	80
Planning	186
Zoning	109
TOTAL	434

## **Environmental Report – May 2020**

Photos by Tonia L. Selmeski



### **Burrowing Owls:**

The Burrowing Owl nesting season typically occurs from February 15<sup>th</sup> thru July 10<sup>th</sup> although owls can nest outside of this timeframe. To date, information provided by Owl Watch indicates that they are monitoring 374 parcels on Marco Island with owl burrows. There are approximately 250 pairs of Burrowing Owls nesting this year. It appears that the owls nested a bit earlier this year and young chicks are already beginning to fledge. We also have had 14 properties participate in the Safe Harbor Management Agreement Program.

### **Fertilizer Ordinance:**

Per the Marco Island Fertilizer Ordinance 16-02, fertilizer use is prohibited during the rainy season from June 1<sup>st</sup> thru September 30<sup>th</sup>. Staff is coordinating with Code Enforcement in notifying the public of this upcoming ban by conducting outreach through social media, email blasts, and the posting of notices in local hardware stores.

### **Water Quality Testing Program:**

Below are the water quality results for April (March samples were not taken due the lab being shut down due to Covid-19). The total nitrogen counts continue to exceed the FDEP standards at all 14 sites. The FDEP threshold for nitrogen is .30 mg/L.

JH_PARK	0.674
HC_CENTER	0.561
COLLIER_BRIDGE	0.726
KENDALL	0.581
BARFIELD_BRIDGE	0.58
LANDMARK	0.675
W_WINTERBERRY_BRIDGE	0.561
MCILVAINE	1.96
WINDMILL	0.796
HUMMINGBIRD	0.753
HOLLYHOCK	0.792
E_WINTERBERRY_BRIDGE	1.6
SWALLOW	0.694
OLDE_MARCO	0.725

## Iguanas:

The Iguana Trapper continues to work on the Island once a week. A total of 391 iguanas (adults & juveniles) have been removed from properties since January 1<sup>st</sup>. There are over 270 properties that the Iguana Trapper rotates visits to, and properties continue to be added to the list on a weekly basis.

## Sea Turtle Nesting Season:

Sea Turtle nesting season is off to a great start! As of May 4<sup>th</sup>, there are a total of 46 nests documented in Collier County with 5 of those nests located on Marco Island.

Beach	Nests		False Crawls		Hatched Nests		
	This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year	Disoriented
Barefoot	6	4	7	0	0	0	0
Delnor Wiggins	0	1	4	1	0	0	0
Vanderbilt	3	1	5	1	0	0	0
Parkshore	8	6	12	9	0	0	0
City of Naples	10	3	8	2	0	0	0
Keewaydin Island	4	3	4	5	0	0	0
Sea Oat Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marco Island	5	0	9	1	0	0	0
Kice & Cape Romano	5	0	6	0	0	0	0
10,000 Islands	5	0	8	3	0	0	0
<b>Collier County Totals</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Red Tide/Algae Blooms:

As of May 1, 2020, water sampling results from Collier County did not detect the presence of red tide. There are no dead fish or respiratory irritation are being reported. The next sample collection will be Thursday, May 7th, 2020. Results should be available late Friday, May 8th, 2020.

However, Collier County did notify the public that there is currently a bloom of *Trichodesmium* algae along the County coastline from Bonita Beach to Gordon Pass. It appears it was also present along Hideaway Beach over a week ago. The County indicated that this bloom can appear brown, green, and reddish pink in color. Per the County notification, the algae typically blooms offshore every year, but occasionally wind and currents bring it to our beaches and even some back bays. Researchers have not documented any negative effects of *Trichodesmium* on marine life or people in Florida.

Additional information on this algae can be found at:

<https://myfwc.com/research/redtide/general/trichodesmium/>. Below is a photo provided by the Collier County Pollution Control Lab showing the algae at Wiggins Pass on May 4, 2020.



### **Permit Applications**

Staff is currently revising existing permit applications in an effort to update the documents and streamline the review process. These applications include Beach Vendor, Vehicle on the Beach, Vegetation Trimming/Removal, Landscape Registration, and the Fertilizer Permit. The new permits will be posted on the city website and available to the public in June.

### **Trainings/Meetings/Workshops/Volunteer Opportunities:**

The monthly volunteer beach clean-up will be held on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at South Beach. It will be sponsored by the Beach & Coastal Resources Advisory Committee in partnership with the Marco Island Area Association of Realtors.

Tonia Selmeski will be participating in a Zoom meeting on May 15th with the UF/IFAS Extension. The meetings will discuss Stormwater BMPs and Educational Strategies.

Tonia Selmeski will be participating in a Zoom meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup> with Greenscape Alliance.