

## 151008 Council Update

### Gulf Coast Marine Fisheries Enhancement Center

- DEP issued the RFQ for architectural and engineering services for the Bruce Beach hatchery project October 6.
- No plan to do any preliminary soil removal.
- Anticipate construction start in Q1 2017.

### Ferry Landing Project at Commendencia Slip

- Selection Committee for choosing an A&E firm for the Ferry Landing project met Wednesday. Anticipate FDOT approval of selection in November.
- Working on an agreement with the National Park Service for management of the facilities. County will have a separate agreement for its facilities at Quietwater Beach.
- On track for a Spring 2016 opening.

### M/WBE program

- The application for M/WBE program certification is now available on the Purchasing website.
- Businesses on the City's SBE list will be receiving information about the M/WBE program via email and postal service mail.
- Staff will hold workshops for the Gulf Coast African American Chamber of Commerce and other organizations to explain the program and assist with certifying eligible businesses.

### 17<sup>th</sup> Street Trestle

- Plans for construction of the pedestrian underpass are moving forward. CSX controls the timeline but we anticipate that construction will begin in Q1 2016.
- Complaints about the spread of graffiti and parking are being addressed.

### Bayview Center

- Demolition work began this week.
- Neighborhood association has been notified.

### FEMA update

- Received official notification that the PW submitted for work on Baywoods Gully was denied. That project was valued at \$3 million. We have started the appeal process.

### Recycling

- The closure of the iREP facility in Montgomery has no effect on the City's recycling program. Our recyclables are sent to a facility in Loxley.

### Surveys and Assessments

- WFRPC has started work on its study to develop a parking strategies that support current and future development and businesses. Anticipate that the study will be complete in early 2016.
- HMM has been selected to conduct the lighting survey and is waiting on a notice to proceed.

- UWF's Haas Center will start conducting phone and intercept surveys this week to gather information about citizen satisfaction with core city services and the relative importance of those services to taxpayers.

#### Stormwater Improvements

- Observations made after the last heavy rains confirm that the repairs made to Piedmont Road are performing excellently.
- 311 Center and Public Works has also not received complaints about known hotspots – indicating that improvements are having their desired effect.