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Town contracts with outside company for building services

Town of Fort Myers Beach, FL – To increase service delivery to property owners who are rebuilding after Hurricane Ian, the Town has contracted with Jacobs Project Management Company for permitting, inspections, and building plan reviews.

“Contracting these services brings more personnel in-house to help raise the bar to give the community what it needs to build back faster,” said Town Manager Andy Hyatt. “The first inspector from Jacobs performed 27 inspections his first day on the job which was just a day after the contract was signed.”

Jacobs is providing personnel, some full-time and some part-time, which will include a chief building official and permit technicians. These personnel will work with the current 13 Town staff who are permit and zoning technicians, planners, a floodplain manager, an inspector, and administrative support in the Community Development Department.

“Jacobs brings a world of knowledge and resources to the Town of Fort Myers Beach,” said Jacobs City Services Director Deyanna Respress. “We will help expedite recovery and rebuilding by applying proven best practices and technologies. Our goal is to bring our expertise in construction, engineering, and inspections to help build a stronger community for years to come and enable Town officials to focus on residents’ needs.”

Steve Poposki, former Community Development Director, has been promoted to Town Engineer. Poposki is also a certified Building Official and Electrical Inspector and will continue to support Building Services as needed. Frankie Kropacek is the Town’s Director of Operations and Compliance and will continue to oversee the Community Development Department.

Watch a presentation about Jacobs Engineering by John Dulmer at the November 9, 2023, Management and Planning session of Town Council at this [link](#). Dulmer starts speaking at two minutes and 58 seconds.

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The Town of Fort Myers Beach is on Estero Island off the southwest Florida coast of the Gulf of Mexico. The beach stretches for seven miles and is known for white sand, shell finds, and sunsets. The Town took a direct hit in September 2022 from Hurricane Ian, a category five storm, and is in active recovery. Many shops and restaurants are restored and open for business! The Town has been incorporated since 1995.