



MEMORANDUM

To: Douglas Harbor Authority

From: Greg Salinas, Interim Director of Public Works
Sean Homyen, Planning & Zoning Administrator

Date: March 17, 2026

Re: Union Street Boat Launch – Parking Constraints Update

The Department of Public Works and the Planning & Zoning Office would like to provide the Douglas Harbor Authority with advance notice of ongoing challenges related to vehicle and trailer parking at the Union Street Boat Launch.

This memorandum is intended to serve as an informational update in advance of a more detailed discussion that will be provided at the March 17, 2026 DHA meeting.

Parking Configuration Challenges

The City has received direction from the adjacent property owner indicating that the currently placed parking blocks must be relocated approximately ten (10) feet further back from their shared property line.

This requested adjustment will reduce the available maneuvering and staging area for vehicles with trailers utilizing the launch facility.

Operational Impacts

The reduced parking depth will present challenges for larger trucks and vehicles towing boat trailers when attempting to align for launching or retrieval.

While the launch facility includes limitations on the size of watercraft that may be launched, it is anticipated that the revised parking configuration will still impact users with larger tow vehicles.

Next Steps

DPW and Planning & Zoning staff are reviewing potential parking layout adjustments to maintain safe access and maneuverability within the revised site constraints.

Additional details regarding property line considerations and possible operational impacts will be discussed at the DHA meeting.

Greg Salinas and Sean Homyen will be present at the March 17, 2026 DHA meeting to provide further information regarding this matter and to respond to any questions from the Authority.