

City of Key Colony Beach

# **Seawall Owner's Manual**

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# TIPS FOR SEAWALL OWNERS

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1. Seawall repairs or replacement may be very expensive, for more information, contact a licensed Marine Contractor. As most seawalls on Key Colony Beach are at least 75 feet in length, this could become a major cost for property owners. Undeveloped (vacant) lots provide reasonable access for contractor's equipment and materials. However developed lots present access problems, often requiring work to be done from a barge. The presence of a house, dock, davits, trees, other landscaping, sprinkler piping or other pipes or electric conduits will add to the repairs, as these items will either limit access or require removal and replacement.
2. Prospective water-front property owners should have a thorough inspection of the seawall by a competent Professional Engineer, registered in the State of Florida before purchase. This may help reduce future repairs by bringing attention to needed work before purchase is completed.
3. Always be aware of signs of rust or corrosion, particularly on the cap. This is a major telltale sign of potential future problems.
4. Often an underwater inspection by a diver will uncover hidden problems.
5. ALL repairs, and particularly major repairs, require a permit from the City. A plan submitted by a qualified professional engineer registered in The State of Florida is necessary in some cases. Completed work is inspected for compliance with City ordinance and code.

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