



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING**

**#24-0883**

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the  
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM:** Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

**DATE:** October 15, 2024

**TITLE:** Motion Authorizing Execution of a Five-Year Dockage Facility Use Agreement with Coastal Conservation Association, Inc. - (**Commission Districts 2 and 4**)

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve a motion for a Dockage Facility Use Agreement with Coastal Conservation Association, Inc. (CCA), a Florida not-for-profit corporation, at no cost, in substantially the form attached hereto, and authorize execution thereof by the proper City officials.

**Background**

CCA, in collaboration with local volunteers, desires to conduct an Oyster Pilot Program (Program) in the City to record data on oyster recruitment along City seawalls in the New River over a five (5)-year period. The Dockage Facility Use Agreement (Exhibit 1) provides CCA access to specific City marine facilities (Exhibit 2) so that CCA may suspend oyster rings, ropes, mats, and other similar tools from City cleats, and to periodically adjust and relocate oyster recruitment substrate as well as monitor and record oyster growth. All activities conducted by CCA will be done in compliance with applicable regulations.

CCA will share all data collected while administering the Program and will provide the City with an annual report with raw and summarized data, a summary of performance metrics, and demonstration of expected improvement in waterway quality.

The City may terminate this agreement at any time for convenience and without cause by written notice provided by the City Manager.

**Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

### **Strategic Connections**

This item is a FY 2024 Commission Priority, advancing the Infrastructure and Resiliency initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure and Resilience Focus Area, Goal 3: Be a sustainable and resilient community

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035* Vision Plan: We Are Ready

This item supports the Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan specifically advancing:

- The Neighborhood Enhancement Area
- The Conservation Element
- Goal 3: Conserve, protect, and appropriately utilize the City's terrestrial and marine habitats.

### **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Dockage Facility Use Agreement

Exhibit 2 – Location Map

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