



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

FROM: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: May 7, 2013

TITLE: Quasi-Judicial/Public Hearing/Resolution granting a Waiver of Limitations
for John C. Jr. & Cheryl J. Gorman / 720 NE 20th Avenue via ULDR
Sections C., D. and E.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution granting a Waiver of Limitations for the installation of three (3) triple pile clusters and the relocation of an existing finger pier and associated single pile at 720 NE 20th Avenue.

Background

The applicant is seeking a resolution granting a waiver of the limitations of Unified Land and Development Regulations (ULDR) Sec 47-19.3 for the installation of three (3) triple pile clusters and the relocation of an existing finger pier and associated single pile, extending a maximum of 80' into the Middle River, at 720 NE 20th Avenue (see **Exhibit 2**). Although there is not a fee associated with obtaining a waiver of limitations, an application fee in the amount of \$300 is required. The applicant's narrative specifies that the additional distance of these piles is necessary for safely mooring vessels, particularly during inclement weather.

The City's Unified Land and Development Regulations (UDLR), Section 47-19.3 C limits the maximum distance of finger piers to 25 feet or 25%, whichever is less, and Section D limits the maximum distance of dolphin or mooring pilings to 30% of the width of the waterway, or 25', whichever is less. Section 47.19.3.E authorizes the City Commission to waive this limitation based upon a finding of extraordinary circumstances. A Waiver of Limitations authorizes an applicant to permit and/or construct a mooring structure/device beyond the restrictions specified in the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR).

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action

Attachment(s)

Exhibit 1 – Application

Exhibit 2 – Application (unanimously approved by Marine Advisory Board April 4, 2013)

Exhibit 3 – Code Sec. 47-19.3

Exhibit 4 – April 4,2013 Marine Advisory Board Minutes

Exhibit 5 – Resolution

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