



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

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MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
MARINE ADVISORY BOARD
100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
8TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.**

**Cumulative Attendance
January-December 2022**

Ted Morley, Chair	P	8	2
Steve Witten, Vice Chair	P	8	2
Michael Boyer	A	2	2
Robyn Chiarelli (arr. 6:05)	P	6	4
Barry Flanigan	A	8	2
Robert Franks	P	7	0
Elisabeth George	P	3	0
James Harrison	P	9	1
Brewster Knott	P	3	1
Norbert McLaughlin	P	9	1
Noelle Norvell	P	8	2

As of this date, there are 11 appointed members to the Board, which means 6 would constitute a quorum.

Staff

Andrew Cuba, Marine Facilities Manager
Jonathan Luscomb, Marine Facilities Supervisor
Sergeant Travis O’Neil, Fort Lauderdale Police Department
Carla Blair, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

Communications to City Commission

None.

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

Chair Morley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and roll was taken.

II. Approval of Minutes – November 3, 2022

Motion made by Mr. Franks, seconded by Vice Chair Witten, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

There being no further questions from the Board at this time, Chair Morley opened the public hearing. As there were no individuals wishing to speak on the Item, the Chair closed the public hearing and brought the discussion back to the Board.

Motion made by Mr. Franks, seconded by Vice Chair Witten, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

VII. Dock Permit – 1410 SE 11 Street / William Premock & Vivian Alvarez

Vivian Premock, Applicant, stated that she owns a 50 ft. waterfront property and hopes to install a 40 ft. dock. There are 5 ft. setbacks to the north and south. She plans to keep a 39 ft. boat at the property.

Mr. Franks asked if the Applicant's neighbor to the south has any objection to the proposed dock. Ms. Premock replied that her neighbors are aware of the proposal and do not take issue with it.

There being no further questions from the Board at this time, Chair Morley opened the public hearing. As there were no individuals wishing to speak on the Item, the Chair closed the public hearing and brought the discussion back to the Board.

Motion made by Ms. Chiarelli, seconded by Ms. George, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

VIII. Discussion – New River Navigational Concerns

Chair Morley explained that he had requested this discussion be placed on the Agenda because the New River has become very busy for those who work and/or live there. The size of vessels both traveling on and moored along this waterway is increasing, which shrinks the waterway space available and can create navigational issues. He stated that one of the Marine Advisory Board's (MAB's) responsibilities is to recommend actions for activities and operations on the City's waterways.

Chair Morley continued that he hoped the Board would develop a plan they can recommend to the City Commission to help address issues on the New River such as speeding, wake damage, and collisions. He noted that representatives of marine businesses who use this waterway are present at tonight's meeting, as well as representatives of the Marine Industries Association of South Florida (MIASF).

Mr. McLaughlin showed slides of boat traffic on the New River, pointing out that many boats have significantly larger beam sizes than in the past. He advised that boats travel the New River when the current is outgoing, as traveling with the current could lead to collisions. If there is traffic on the river, there is an area in which vessels may lay over. He also noted locations for which applications were submitted to the Board in the past,