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

**FROM:** Greg Chavarria, City Manager

**DATE:** May 16, 2023

**TITLE:** Joint Workshop with the Marine Advisory Board Regarding New River  
Navigational Concerns - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

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**Background**

Staff along with representatives from the Marine Advisory Board, will discuss issues raised at the May 2, 2023 Commission meeting regarding navigational concerns along the New River. The Marine Advisory Board's May 2, 2023 Communication to the City Commission (Exhibit 1) recommended a suspension of Dock Waivers of Distance Limitations until the City Commission discussed it at a Conference Meeting or at a public workshop.

**Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

**Strategic Connections**

This item is a 2022 Top Commission Priority, advancing the Parks and Public Places initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Build a healthy and engaging community
- Objective: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, waterways, parks and open spaces for everyone

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

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

- The Public Places Focus Area
- The Parks, Recreation & Open Spaces Element

- Goal 1: Be a community where persons of all ages are able to partake in a fun and healthy lifestyle.

**Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – 5/2/23 MAB Communication to Commission

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