

#23-0433

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: July 5, 2023

TITLE: Public Hearing – Quasi Judicial Resolution Denying a Waiver of Limitations

at 801 SW 6th Street, for the installation of three (3) triple mooring pile

clusters extending a maximum of 50'+/- – (Commission District 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a Resolution denying a Waiver of Limitations for the installation of three (3) triple mooring pile clusters extending a maximum of 50'+/- into the New River located at 801 SW 6th Street.

Background

The applicant is seeking a resolution granting a Waiver of Limitations (a waiver to allow piles to extend beyond the maximum distance as defined by City Code) of Section 47-19.3 D of the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) for the installation of three (3) triple mooring pile clusters extending a maximum of 50'+/- from the property line into the New River.

The applicant's Summary Description specifies that the proposed structures are necessary for safely mooring resident's vessels due to significant boat wakes along the New River, as well as during extreme weather events.

Although there is not a fee associated with obtaining a Waiver of Limitations, an application fee in the amount of \$1500 is required.

The Marine Advisory Board (MAB) recommended denial of the application 6 to 5 (see Exhibit 3) at the April 6, 2023 MAB meeting. The MAB was concerned with potential impacts these pilings would have to navigation within the New River at this location. This area is a critical staging and passing area for vessels.

Resource Impact

There is a positive fiscal impact in the amount of \$1,500. Revenue related to the application fee is included in the FY2023 Operating Budget in the account listed below.

Funds available as of June 12, 2023					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AMOUNT RECEIVED (Character)	AMOUNT
10-001-6060-575-347- 200-PKR189	Marine Facilities Administration	Service Charge – Parks and Recreation / Private Dock Fees	\$147,800	\$21,000	\$1,500
TOTAL AMOUNT ▶				\$1,500	

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.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Application

Exhibit 2 - Code Sec. 47-19.3

Exhibit 3 – April 6, 2023 Draft Marine Advisory Board Minutes

Exhibit 4 – Approval Resolution

Exhibit 5 – Denial Resolution

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