

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE MARINE ADVISORY BOARD FORT LAUDERDALE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

528 NW 2ND STREET, STATION #2
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33311
3RD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 2024 – 5:00 P.M.

Cumulative Attendance January-December 2024

Steve Witten, Chair	Р	6	0
James Harrison, Vice Chair	Α	3	3
Tyler Brunelle	Α	5	1
Robyn Chiarelli	Α	3	3
Jason Dunbar	P	3	0
Barry Flanigan	Р	6	0
Robert Franks	Α	4	2
Elisabeth George	Р	6	0
Brewster Knott	Α	3	3
John Lynch	P	5	. 1
Norbert McLaughlin	P	6	0.
Noelle Norvell	Α	3	3
Ed Rebholz	Α	4	2
Bill Walker	Р	4	2
Robert Washington	Р	5	1

As of this date, there are 15 appointed members to the Board, which means 8 would constitute a quorum.

Staff

Andrew Cuba, Marine Facilities Manager Jonathan Luscomb, Marine Facilities Supervisor Sergeant Travis O'Neil, Marine Unit Supervisor

Communications to City Commission

None.

I. Call to Call Call

Chair Witten called the meeting to at 6:00 p.m.

II. Statement of Quorum

VII. Dock Waiver – 700 SW 4th Place / Scott Eric Jordan and Erin Mary Myers

Tyler Chappell, representing the Applicants, showed photographs of the site, pointing out that the existing dock is dilapidated and falling apart. The property lines of most properties on the north side of the river are interior of existing seawalls. The Applicants plan to raise their seawall height to 5 ft., as their back yard is subject to flooding during king tides.

Mr. Chappell reviewed the dimensions of the requested structures, noting that a waiver of 1.5 ft. is requested for the 26.5 ft. floating dock. Extraordinary circumstances include the fact that all structures would fall within the 30% limitation of the waterway. The section of the New River in the subject area is roughly 225 ft. to 230 ft. wide as measured from wet face to wet face of the seawalls. This section of the waterway has significant boat traffic.

The subject property has been vacant for some time, and the Applicants propose a boat lift at the site. They also plan to dock a 60 ft. boat at the outside slip. Mr. Chappell provided letters of support from neighboring property owners and reviewed the distances associated with other waivers that have been granted in the area.

Mr. McLaughlin requested clarification of the size of the vessel to be placed on the boat lift. Mr. Chappell replied that the interior vessel is approximately 24 ft., with the outside vessel will be 60 ft.

It was asked whether there is a waiver associated with the existing piles at the property. Mr. Chappell replied that he had not seen any waiver associated with the piles. It was further clarified that the piles had been properly permitted, but were incorrectly installed and not recorded thereafter.

There being no further questions from the Board at this time, Chair Witten 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. Walker, seconded by Mr. Flanigan, to approve. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed unanimously (8-0).

Old / New Business

Chair Witten states of the Board's meeting in July is scheduled for Tuesday, July 9, 2024 due to the Independent Day holiday the previous week. No meeting is scheduled in August.

Chair Witten also noted that Board members Robert Brewster Knott, John Lynch, and Ed Rebholz have been reappointed for another term.