



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING**

**#13-0457**

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

**FROM:** Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE:** April 2, 2013

**TITLE:** Public Hearing/Resolution approving a Waiver of Limitations for LaScala  
Townhomes LLC/ 91 Isle of Venice via ULDR Sec. 47 -19.3 D & E

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**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution authorizing a Waiver of Limitations of twelve (12) proposed mooring pile clusters extending a maximum of 35 feet into the Rio Grande Waterway at 91 Isle of Venice.

**Background**

The applicant is seeking a resolution authorizing approval for the installation of twelve mooring piles extending 35 feet into the Rio Grande Waterway at 91 Isle of Venice. Although the Applicant sought to install the pilings 45 feet into the waterway (see **Exhibit 1**), a compromise was reached at the Marine Advisory Board meeting of March 7, 2013, for an agreed maximum distance of 35 feet (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 and securing mooring vessels perpendicularly to the bulkhead, as is typical on this canal.

The City's Unified Land and Development Regulations (UDLR), Section 47-19.3.D limits the maximum distance of dolphin or mooring pilings to 30% of the width of the waterway, or 25 feet, whichever is less. Section 47.19.3.E authorizes the City Commission to waive this limitation based upon a finding of extraordinary circumstances.

The Marine Advisory Board recommended approval of the application unanimously (12:0) (see **Exhibit 4**).

**Resource Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action

Attachments

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Exhibit 1 – Application (unanimously approved by Marine Advisory Board 3/7/13)  
Exhibit 2 – Revised Memo with Reduced Distance of Mooring Pilings  
Exhibit 3 – Code Sec. 47-19.3  
Exhibit 4 – 3/7/13 Marine Advisory Board Draft Minutes  
Exhibit 5 – Resolution

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