

**MINUTES OF THE MARINE ADVISORY BOARD
100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – EIGHTH FLOOR
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA
THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.**

**Cumulative Attendance
May 2017 - April 2018**

<u>Board Members</u>	Attendance	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
F. St. George Guardabassi, Chair	P	2	0
Grant Henderson, Vice Chair	P	2	0
Jimi Batchelor	P	2	0
Cliff Berry II	P	2	0
Zane Brisson	P	2	0
George Cable	P	2	0
Joe Cain	P	1	1
Richard Graves	P	1	1
John Holmes	P	2	0
Ted Morley	P	1	0
Roy Sea	A	1	1
Doukas Siotkas	A	1	1
Ed Strobel	P	2	0
Bill Walker	A	1	1
Jim Welch	P	2	0

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

Staff

Andrew Cuba, Manager of Marine Facilities
Jonathan Luscomb, Supervisor of Marine Facilities
Sergeant Todd Mills, Marine Police Staff
Division Chief Stewart Ahearn, Fort Lauderdale Fire Department
Laura Reese, Budget Manager
Brandy Leighton, Engineering Department
Brigitte Chiappetta, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

Comments to City Commission

Motion made by Mr. Strobel, seconded by Mr. Berry, that more investigation needs to be done on the equitability of the City's proposed dredging program, possibly looking into other funding sources, with consideration that waterfront homeowners already pay substantially more property taxes than their non-waterfront counterparts. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

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

Motion made by Mr. Welch, seconded by Mr. Holmes, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

VII. Waiver of Limitations – Walter Cassell / 333 Sunset Drive

Tyler Chappell, representing the Applicant, recalled that a previous request came before the Board for an adjacent property to the east at 353 Sunset Drive. The request for 333 Sunset Drive would add finger piers to an existing marginal dock. He showed a PowerPoint presentation, noting that the existing dock currently includes 12 slips. On the south side, the maximum vessel size allowed would be 50 ft.

The proposed layout has been slightly revised to occupy a smaller footprint. All areas shown are encompassed within the property's submerged land lease. There are 27 waiver requests for 13 mooring piles, 13 finger piers, and one floating dock, ranging from 12 ft. to 36.7 ft. Extraordinary circumstances include failure to receive 30% of the waterway, which is over 300 ft. wide. Perpendicular docking will allow for safer mooring during high wind events. The Applicant has received three letters of support from surrounding neighbors.

Mr. Chappell clarified that there will be a total of 22 slips on the property. There are no pilings outside the finger piers. Only boats that are 30 ft. to 50 ft. in length may dock at the facility. The property is owned by a condominium association, and slips will be rented only to unit owners.

There being no other questions from the Board at this time, Chair Guardabassi opened the public hearing.

Grace Fang, private citizen, stated that she serves on the board of the nearby Riviera Towers condominium. She was supportive of the projects at both 333 and 353 Sunset Drive.

As there were no other individuals wishing to speak on this Item, Chair Guardabassi closed the public hearing and brought the discussion back to the Board.

Mr. Berry asked if the subject property would require any additional dredging. Mr. Chappell replied that while the property at 353 Sunset Drive would need dredging, the property at 333 would not.

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