

#25-0543

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: June 30, 2025

TITLE: Resolution Granting a Dock Permit for Private Use of Public Property

Abutting a Waterway by 909 Beverly, LLC adjacent to 909 SE 2nd Street for two (2) Proposed Wooden Marginal Docks and Authorizing Execution of a

Declaration of Restrictive Covenants – (Commission District 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Commission adopt a Resolution (1) granting a dock permit pursuant to City Code Sec 8-144 for use by private persons of public property abutting a waterway that is adjacent to 909 SE 2nd Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL for two (2) proposed 15' long x 8'3" wide wooden marginal docks and access steps and (2) authorizing execution, by the proper City officials, of a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants (Declaration) relative to the dock permit. Pursuant to City Code of Ordinances (Code), Section 8-144, the City Commission may grant a dock permit for the use by private persons of certain public property abutting or touching a waterway, except at street ends or within a City park.

Background

The applicant is seeking approval for the usage of two (2) proposed 15'+/- long x 8.3'+/- wide marginal wooden docks with steps extending a maximum distance of 5'+/-from the seawall cap on public property abutting the waterway adjacent to 909 SE 2nd Street. ULDR 47-19 (c) allows for mooring structures, including docks, to extend to no more than 25 feet or 25% of the width of the waterway, whichever is less. The canal width is identified as +/- 49'6", allowing for a maximum dock width of +/- 12'4". City Code Section 8-144 authorizes the construction and use of docks on public property and allows for the permit to be issued provided the permit holder agrees to maintain the improvements and seawall.

The property is located within the Beverly Heights RMM-25 Residential Multi-Family Mid-Rise/Medium High Density Zoning District. The dock area is directly adjacent to the Himmarshee Canal with direct access to the New River.

Pursuant to Code Sec. 8-144 (1) (a) the applicant is required to execute a Declaration relative to the dock permit, to ensure compliance with the rules set forth in the Code. The Resolution authorizes the proper City officials to countersign the Declaration. As a

requirement of City Code Section 8-144, approval of the application is contingent upon all improvements to the property being maintained in accordance with City engineering standards and in full compliance with building and zoning regulations including construction permits required for any future electrical and water feeds to the property.

Other than the required \$1,500 application fee, there is no fee associated with obtaining a Waiver of Limitations.

The Marine Advisory Board (MAB) recommended approval of the application 9-0 at the May 1, 2025, MAB meeting.

Resource Impact

Revenue related to the application fee is included in the FY2025 Operating Budget in the account listed below.

Funds available as of June 3, 2025					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	ACCOUNT/ACTIVITY	AMENDED BUDGET	AMOUNT RECEIVED	
	(Program)	NAME	(Character)	(Character)	AMOUNT
10-001-6060-000-347- 200-PKR189	Marine Facilities Administration	Service Charge – Parks and Recreation / Private Dock Fees	\$15,000	\$34,500	\$1,500
,			TOTAL AMOUNT ►		\$1,500

Strategic Connections

This is a 2025 Commission Priority, advancing Public Spaces and Community initiatives.

This item supports the 2029 Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

• The Public Places Focus Area, Goal 5: Build a beautiful and welcoming community.

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

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

- The Public Places Focus Area
- The Parks, Recreation & Open Spaces Area
- Goal 2: Be a community with high quality parks and recreational facilities that highlight the character of our city.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Application

Exhibit 2 – Code Sec. 8 – 144

Exhibit 3 – May 1, 2025, Marine Advisory Board Minutes

Exhibit 4 – Approval Resolution

Exhibit 5 – Denial Resolution

Exhibit 6 - Declaration of Restrictive Covenants

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