



TO: Honorable Mayor & Members

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee Feldman, City Manager

DATE: November 6, 2012

TITLE: QUASI-JUDICIAL - DOCK WAIVER APPLICATION: 1) 3355 Port Royale

Blvd.; 2) construction of twenty-one finger piers and associated piles extending a maximum of 55' from the property line into the abutting waterway overlaying the privately owned submerged land within the yacht

basin.

<u>Recommendation</u>

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution authorizing the request by ERP Operating Limited Partnership & EQR Port Royale Vistas, Inc. for the construction of twenty-one finger piers/associated piles extending a maximum of 55' from the property line into the abutting waterway overlying the privately owned submerged land within the private yacht basin.

Background

The applicants are seeking approval for the construction of twenty-one finger piers/associated piles (Exhibit 1). The Public Hearing requirement of advertisement on two dates (October 18th and October 25th) has been met.

City Unified Land and Development Regulations (ULDR), Section 47-19.3. c. and d. (Exhibit 3) limits the maximum distance of mooring structures to 25' or 25% of the width of the abutting waterway and the maximum distance of dolphin or mooring piles to 30% of the width of the waterway, or 25', whichever is less. Section 47-19.3.e. authorizes the City Commission to waive this limitation based upon a finding of extraordinary circumstances. The applicants' narrative specifies that the proposed finger piers/piles will allow for a minimum of 1' vessel bottom clearance as required by the permitting agencies. In addition, the proposed design should minimize impacts associated with adjacent oyster beds. Staff recommendations requires adherence to all governmental agencies permitting requirements.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action

Attachment(s)

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Exhibit 1 – Application (unanimously approved by Marine Advisory Board 10/4/12)

Exhibit 2 – Draft Marine Advisory Board Minutes

Exhibit 3 – Code ULDR Sec. 47-19.3

Exhibit 4 – Resolution

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