



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

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MEETING MINUTES  
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
MARINE ADVISORY BOARD  
100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE  
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
8<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM  
THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.**

**Cumulative Attendance  
January-December 2023**

Ted Morley, Chair	P	3	0
Steve Witten, Vice Chair	P	3	0
Michael Boyer	A	2	1
Tyler Brunelle	P	1	0
Robyn Chiarelli (arr. 6:13)	P	2	1
Barry Flanigan	P	3	0
Robert Franks	P	3	0
Elisabeth George	P	3	0
James Harrison	P	2	1
Brewster Knott	P	2	1
Norbert McLaughlin	P	3	0
Noelle Norvell	P	2	1

As of this date, there are 12 appointed members to the Board, which means 7 would constitute a quorum.

**Staff**

Andrew Cuba, Marine Facilities Manager  
Jonathan Luscomb, Marine Facilities Supervisor  
Sergeant Travis O'Neil, Fort Lauderdale Police Department  
Carla Blair, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

**Communications to City Commission**

None.

**I. Call to Order / Roll Call**

Chair Morley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and roll was taken.

**II. Approval of Minutes – February 2, 2023**

**Motion** made by Vice Chair Witten, seconded by Ms. Norvell, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

### **III. Statement of Quorum**

It was noted that a quorum was present at the meeting.

New Board member Tyler Brunelle introduced himself at this time.

### **IV. Waterway Crime & Boating Safety Report**

Sergeant Travis O'Neil of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department's Marine Unit reported the following activity from February 2023:

- 28 calls for service
- 3 accidents
- 1 burglary
- 62 citations

Chair Morley requested a status update on recent thefts of Garmin devices. Sgt. O'Neil replied that a group was arrested in Miami-Dade County, although they have not yet been linked to the Fort Lauderdale thefts. Burglaries have decreased since the group's arrest. Marine Unit Staff has also reached out to homeowners on the City's canals to encourage them to secure their Garmin devices or install cameras as deterrents.

Mr. Flanigan noted that Marine Unit Staff has expanded to eight Officers. Sgt. O'Neil added that two Officers will complete training next week and one retired Officer will be replaced at the end of the month.

It was suggested that the message to secure Garmin devices or install cameras include the marine industry as well as homeowners. Chair Morley stated that this could be communicated to the Marine Industries Association of South Florida (MIASF).

### **V. Dock Permit – 1109 Cordova Road / Andrew & Amy Shook**

David Nutter, representing the Applicants, showed a PowerPoint presentation on the Application, which requests private use of public property, specifically the installation of a 65 ft. floating dock on the subject property. He showed multiple views of the property. The dock is 10 ft. wide and will include an access platform across the seawall cap, as well as ramps to this platform and the floating dock. The Applicant's boat will be approximately 14 ft. wide and will not impede waterway traffic.

Mr. McLaughlin asked if there is a roadway drain on or near the property. Mr. Nutter replied that he did not know.

It was noted that the Applicants' proposed platform would not be attached to the City's seawall, but would extend over it.

Mr. Harrison requested clarification of the size of the boats to be docked at the property. It was noted that the boat is 43 ft. in length according to the Applicants' backup materials.

There being no further questions from the Board at this time, Chair Morley 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. McLaughlin, seconded by Ms. George, for approval. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

**VI. Dock Waiver – 87 Isle of Venice / Salvatore Cannizzaro, JDSFC Properties, LLC**

Jennifer Robbins, representing the Applicant, showed a PowerPoint presentation on the Application, including several views of the property, which is a multi-family development with perpendicular slips. There is currently a concrete marginal dock with four 10 ft. wooden finger piers, as well as mooring piles which extend the maximum of 37 ft. from the property line into the waterway.

The Applicant proposes to remove the existing structures and install a new concrete panel seawall with batter piles, as well as four composite finger piers that are 18 ft. long and 3 ft. wide. They also plan to install 18 wooden mooring piles, 9 of which extend 35 ft. from the property line. The Application requests a distance waiver for the mooring piles that extend further than the 25 ft. allowed. The requested structures are consistent with other existing structures along the waterway and will accommodate eight perpendicular slips.

Ms. Robbins showed a rendering of the waterway's navigational channel, pointing out that the vessels to be docked at the property would not extend into that channel. The structures and mooring piles would not exceed 30% of the width of the waterway. The residents will be able to safely moor their vessels during high wind events and severe weather.

The Applicant has received two letters of support from neighbors to the south of the subject property. Ms. Robbins also provided a list of existing waivers issued to other properties in the vicinity, including waivers that allow structures to extend 35 ft. into the waterway.

Chair Morley noted that the new seawall would be constructed in front of the existing seawall, and requested clarification of the property line in relation to the face of the new seawall. Ms. Robbins replied that the property line is landward of the wet face of the proposed new seawall. The Applicant wishes to replace the existing seawall because it is not structurally sound.