



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#23-0342

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

FROM: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

DATE: April 18, 2023

TITLE: First Reading of Ordinance - Amending Section 8-91 Mooring Structures
(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt on first reading an amendment to the City of Fort Lauderdale Code of Ordinances reflecting a definition change in Section 8-91 (a) *Mooring Structures* to ensure consistency with definitions in the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR), Sections 47-19.3 (a) (1) and (2) *Boat slips, docks, boat davits, hoists and similar mooring structures*.

Background

On March 23, 2023 (CAM 23-0168), the City of Fort Lauderdale Commission adopted amendments to ULDR Section 47-19.3 *Boat slips, docks, boat davits, hoists and similar mooring structures* including modification of the definitions of mooring device and mooring structure. To ensure consistency of definitions across the code, Section 8-91 (a) *Mooring Structures* also needs to be modified.

The ordinance (Exhibit 1) being proposed includes the following key modifications:

- (1) Mooring ~~device devices means a subset of~~ are devices attached to mooring structures as defined herein, including boat davits, hoists, boat lifts and similar items. ~~devices that are erected on or adjacent to a seawall or dock and upon which a vessel can be moored. A mooring device does not include docks, slips, seawall or mooring pile.~~
- (2) Mooring structure means a dock, marginal dock, slip, seawall, ~~boat davit, hoist, boat lift, mooring pile, finger pier,~~ or a similar structure attached to land more or less permanently to which a vessel can be moored.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *2022 Top Commission Priority*, advancing the Infrastructure and Resilience initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan*, specifically advancing:

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- Goal 1: Build a sustainable and resilient community.
- Objective: Reduce flooding and adapt to sea level rise.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Ready*.

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

- The Infrastructure Focus Area
- The Climate Change Element
- Goal 2: Achieve a climate-resilient community through the protection and adaptation of public infrastructure, services, and natural resources from adverse climate change impacts.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Ordinance

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