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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: February 17, 2015

TITLE: Granting a Waiver of Limitations at 824 NE 20th Ave. to Construct a Finger

Pier and Install Eight Triple Pile Clusters

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a resolution granting a Waiver of Limitations for the construction of an 80 foot 'x 5 foot' finger pier and the installation of eight triple pile clusters for HG Middle River Investments, LLC., at 824 NE 20th Ave.

Background

The applicant is seeking a Waiver of Limitations (a waiver to allow a dock, mooring structure, or boat lift to extend beyond the maximum distance as defined by City Code) of Sections 47-19.3(C) and (D) of the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) for the construction of an 80 foot x 5 foot finger pier and the installation of eight triple pile clusters extending a maximum of +/-106.3 feet from the property line into the Middle River. The applicant's narrative specifies that the additional distance for these mooring structures is necessary for safely mooring existing vessels as well as the extraordinary width of the waterway at this location. Although there is not a fee associated with obtaining a Waiver of Limitations, an application fee in the amount of \$300.00 is required.

The Marine Advisory Board recommended approval of the application unanimously 12 to 0 (see Exhibit 3).

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Strategic Connections

This item is a Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018 initiative, included within the **Public Places Cylinder of Excellence**, specifically advancing:

• Goal 3: Be a community that finds opportunities and leverages partnerships to create unique, inviting, and connected gathering places that highlight our

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beaches, waterways, urban areas and parks.

- **Objective 1**: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, Riverwalk, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone.
- Initiative 3: Evaluate dock availability to complement our public places

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

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – Application

Exhibit 2 – Section 47 – 19.3 of the Code of Ordinances

Exhibit 3 – January 7, 2015 Marine Advisory Board Minutes

Exhibit 4 – Resolution

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