



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

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**MINUTES OF THE MARINE ADVISORY BOARD**  
**100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE**  
**COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – EIGHTH FLOOR**  
**FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA**  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.**

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Cumulative Attendance</u> <u>May 2017 - April 2018</u>	
		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
F. St. George Guardabassi, Chair	P	4	0
Grant Henderson, Vice Chair	P	4	0
Jimi Batchelor	P	3	1
Cliff Berry II	A	3	1
Zane Brisson	A	3	1
George Cable	A	3	1
Joe Cain	P	3	1
Susan Engle	P	1	0
Richard Graves	P	3	1
John Holmes (arr. 6:03)	P	2	2
Ted Morley	P	3	0
Roy Sea	A	1	3
Ed Strobel (arr. 6:16)	P	4	0
Bill Walker	A	2	2
Jim Welch (arr. 6:16)	P	4	0

As of this date, there are 15 appointed members to the Board, which means 8 would constitute a quorum.

**Staff**

Andrew Cuba, Manager of Marine Facilities  
Jonathan Luscomb, Supervisor of Marine Facilities  
Sergeant Todd Mills, Marine Police Staff  
Division Chief Stewart Ahearn, Fort Lauderdale Fire Department  
Brigitte Chiappetta, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

**Communications to City Commission**

**Motion** made by Mr. [REDACTED] seconded by Mr. Cain, that the Marine Advisory Board supports the design and scale of the proposed structure at the Cordova Boat Club. The structure will help alleviate the shortfall of mid-sized slips in Broward County and will be a landmark building for Fort Lauderdale. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

There being no questions from the Board at this time, Chair Guardabassi opened the public hearing. As there were no individuals wishing to speak on this Item, Chair Guardabassi closed the public hearing and brought the discussion back to the Board.

**Motion** made by Mr. Cain, seconded by Vice Chair Henderson, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

**VII. Waiver of Limitations – Hal E. Griffith, Manager, HG Middle River Investments, LLC / 800 NE 20<sup>th</sup> Ave.**

Tyler Chappell, representing the Applicant, showed a PowerPoint presentation to the Board, stating that the subject property is located south of Sunrise Boulevard on the Middle River. Permits have been issued for the dock and dredging, and dredging has been completed to a depth of (-10). The Applicant proposes two finger piers, one marginal dock, and a series of triple pile clusters for two vessel slips. The furthest distance into the waterway is 100 ft. from the property line, or a waiver of 75 ft.

Extraordinary circumstances include the location of both structures, which do not exceed 30% of the waterway. The closest structure across the waterway is at a distance of 494 ft. Mooring piles are necessary for the safe mooring of the vessels in perpendicular alignment, particularly during high wind or severe weather events. Mr. Chappell provided letters of support from adjacent property owners and other individuals on 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Mr. Welch asked if the No Wake zone is located north of the bridge. Mr. Chappell confirmed this, adding that an approved waterski area is south of the bridge.

Ms. Engle asked if it is unusual in the surrounding area to place two finger piers at the property line. Mr. Chappell replied that the property owner owns another nearby property and will bring the two docks together as one. In addition, although City Code prohibits location of a vessel in the side yard setback, it allows for structures that provide access to vessels.

There being no other questions from the Board at this time, Chair Guardabassi opened the public hearing. As there were no individuals wishing to speak on this Item, Chair Guardabassi closed the public hearing and brought the discussion back to the Board.

**Motion** made by Mr. Cain, seconded by Mr. Berry, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

**VIII. Waiver of Limitations – Hal E. Griffith, Manager, HG Middle River Investments, LLC / 744 NE 20<sup>th</sup> Ave.**

Mr. Chappell, representing the Applicant, explained that this property is located just north of the property discussed in Item VII. Permits have been issued for the site and