



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.

Cumulative Attendance
May 2017 - April 2018

Board Members

	Attendance	<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. Morley, 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.

dredging has been completed. The Applicant proposes triple pile clusters, two finger piers, and a marginal dock. Maximum distance to the pile clusters is 133.5 ft., resulting in a waiver request of 108.5 ft.

Extraordinary circumstances include the width of the New River at this location and the need to safely moor vessels and prevent damage during storm events. Letters of support from neighbors of the property were provided.

Mr. Welch asked to know the size of the boats likely to be moored at this property. Mr. Chappell replied that due to the submerged land lease, boats may not extend beyond the lease line. The anticipated vessel size would be no more than 120 ft.

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 Vice Chair Henderson, to approve. ~~By a~~ voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

IX. Waiver of Limitations – Paul and Caroline M. McGee / 801 Middle River Drive

Mr. Chappell, representing the Applicant, showed a PowerPoint presentation, stating that the subject property is a single-family residence with an existing vessel and boat lift. The Applicant plans to purchase a larger boat, which will mean the existing vessel will be realigned to provide access to the dock and boat lift. A new seawall cap is also being constructed per City Code. The waiver request for the finger pier is 13 ft., with mooring piles at 52 and 50 ft. Letters of support from neighbors and a nearby condominium board were provided.

Mr. Welch asked if the single mooring pile would be equipped with a reflector. Mr. Chappell confirmed that a reflector would be placed on the pile. Chair Guardabassi recalled that the Board had recommended the addition of lights to some applications earlier in the year. Mr. Cuba pointed out that the lights were recommended due to specific concerns regarding entrance to an inlet.

Mr. Strobel commented that there is significant boat traffic in the area, and that it could be possible to overlook the mooring pile, particularly after dark. Mr. Batchelor added that he did not feel a reflector would be sufficient, and suggested that the Applicant be required to provide lighting as well.

There being no other questions from the Board at this time, Chair Guardabassi opened the public hearing.

Ned Stone, private citizen, advised that he lives next door to the subject property. He stated that he was not consulted for an endorsement of the Application and did not currently have an opinion on the proposed waiver.

Norbert McLaughlin, private citizen, asked whether or not a Coast Guard permit is required to place lighting in navigable waters. Mr. Strobel stated that this permission is required.

Mr. Chappell advised that the Applicant would need to apply for this permit. Mr. Cuba confirmed that the Board may place this condition of approval on the Application if they wish.

As there were no other 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. Holmes, to approve. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed 10-0.

X. Dock Permit – Olas Capital LLC & James D. Wilson / 341 Idlewyld Drive & 333 Poinciana Drive

Courtney Crush, representing the Applicant, showed a PowerPoint presentation on the Application, stating that the location is south of Las Olas Boulevard along Idlewyld Drive. The basin on which the property is located has a nonlinear shoreline.

The Applicant proposes sharing two docks between the two subject properties. The City owns the swale across from the area where the two properties are located. Ms. Crush noted that the properties' riparian rights lines overlap, which could have presented a conflict; however, because they both wished to have a pier, the Applicants are proposing two piers that would take up a relatively modest area. They have filed an application with the Board of Adjustment to determine an appropriate setback and placement for a dock. They have entered into a sharing agreement that allows the neighborhood to use its existing docks and for the two properties to each have a pier along the waterway.

Mr. Berry requested clarification of the length of the finger pier. Ms. Crush noted that the proposed dock length is 40 ft. It is intended to accommodate up to three boats. The property to the southeast may also be City-owned property.

Mr. Welch requested additional information on the configuration of up to three boats at the dock. Ms. Crush replied that the property owners are satisfied with the way the boats fit at the dock, noting that one owner may be proposing two homes on his double lot. The existing T dock takes up roughly the same amount of space as the two proposed piers.