

**MINUTES OF THE MARINE ADVISORY BOARD
100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – EIGHTH FLOOR
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA
THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.**

<u>Board Members</u>	<i>Attendance</i>	Cumulative Attendance May 2018 - April 2019	
		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Grant Henderson, Chair	P	7	0
Ed Strobel, Vice Chair	P	7	0
Jimi Batchelor	A	2	4
Cliff Berry II	A	5	2
George Cable	P	5	2
Robyn Chiarelli (arr. 6:04)	P	2	2
Richard Graves	P	6	1
Rose Ann Lovell (arr. 6:04)	P	5	1
Kitty McGowan	P	4	2
Norbert McLaughlin	P	5	1
Ted Morley	A	3	4
Curtis Parker	P	4	1
Roy Sea	P	7	0
Randy Sweers	P	5	1
Bill Walker	A	4	3

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
Sergeant Todd Mills, Fort Lauderdale Police Department
Jonathan Luscomb, Supervisor of Marine Facilities
Brigitte Chiappetta, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

Communications to City Commission

None.

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

Chair Henderson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and roll was called.

II. Approval of Minutes – December 6, 2018

Motion made by Mr. Strobel, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, 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.

Ms. Chiarelli and Ms. Lovell arrived at 6:04 p.m.

IV. Waterway Crime & Boating Safety Report / Fire Department Report

Sergeant Todd Mills of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department reported the following Marine Unit activity from December 2018:

- 14 citations
- 87 warnings
- 18 safety inspections
- 2 accidents
- 3 burglaries
- 3 thefts
- 12 additional incidents

The miscellaneous incidents included a boat fire, two welfare checks, and a missing canoe, which was recovered. A fire occurred at Bahia Mar with no major injuries. The Marine Unit also responded to a sunken vessel on private property. The Winterfest Boat Parade was held with only minor weather concerns.

V. Dock Permit – 1700 Brickell Drive – Neal R. Kalis as Trustee of the 1700 Brickell Land Trust

Neal Kalis, Trustee of the Brickell land trust, explained that the dock is located on the Sospiro canal off the New River. Brickell Drive terminates at this dock. A permit was originally issued several years ago and assigned to another individual in the 1970s. The City Commission approved this transfer of permit.

The subject property is located on a heavily traveled part of the New River and has no dock. Turbulence and currents are common in the area. The dock was assigned to the Brickell Land Trust in 2018, subject to Marine Advisory Board (MAB) and City Commission approval. It is approximately 46 ft. by 8 ft. in size and appears to be well-maintained. While the permit is intended to last for five years, Mr. Kalis advised that he is requesting a longer term, as maintenance of the property may include replacement of seawalls and other improvements.

Mr. McLaughlin requested clarification that the transfer would change private ownership of a dock on public land. Mr. Kalis stated that the property's two neighbors on the

Sospiro Canal already have docks; however, the subject dock is on the Sospiro Canal and is approximately 100 ft. farther down the street.

Mr. Cuba clarified that the issue before the Board is not the transfer of a dock permit, but an application for a new dock permit. While a transfer of permit previously took place at the subject location, the City no longer allows this. The permit is for an existing dock not immediately adjacent to the property. He pointed out that the location of the dock should not be an issue, as only one Applicant is seeking its use.

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

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

Mr. Cuba advised that the City Commission will make a determination on the duration of the permit.

VI. Presentation – Fort Lauderdale Marina / Peter Henn – Greenberg Traurig, PA

Barbara Hall, representing Greenberg Traurig, PA, showed a PowerPoint presentation on the Fort Lauderdale Marina. The facility was constructed in 1955 but has deteriorated significantly since that time. New owners took possession of the property roughly two years ago and began its redevelopment.

While there were no homes surrounding the property in 1955, a residential community built up around the facility in the 1960s. In recent years the property has not been maintained or environmentally upgraded, and Code violations existed when the current owners purchased the facility. The owners have worked to correct these violations in the marina basin portion of the property, which included violations to electrical systems and septic flow issues. The proposed project is expected to correct these violations.

Ms. Hall showed a rendering of plans for the property, stating that permits have been received for changes to the marina basin side. Plans include 35 wet slips, a new electrical system, lighting, a fueling system, and a covered structure with restroom facilities.

Redevelopment of the upland property will include three rows of dry stack storage. Ms. Hall showed a rendering of this storage facility, which will include aluminum screening facing the residential area. Its ground level will include office, repair, and storage space for owners who use the marina.