

**100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE
COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM – EIGHTH FLOOR
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA
THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.**

		Cumulative Attendance May 2018 - April 2019	
<u>Board Members</u>	<i>Attendance</i>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Grant Henderson, Chair	P	7	1
Ed Strobel, Vice Chair	P	7	1
Cliff Berry II	A	6	2
George Cable	A	4	4
Robyn Chiarelli	P	3	2
Richard Graves	P	6	2
Rose Ann Lovell	A	5	2
Kitty McGowan	A	4	3
Norbert McLaughlin	P	6	1
Ted Morley	P	5	3
Curtis Parker	A	4	2
Rossanna Petreccia	P	2	0
Roy Sea	P	8	0
Randy Sweers	A	5	2
Bill Walker	P	6	2

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, Fort Lauderdale Police Department

Communications to City Commission

None.

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes – February 7, 2019

A correction was noted to p.8, paragraph 7: Acting Chair Walker closed the public hearing.

Motion made, and duly seconded, to approve as amended. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

III. Statement of Quorum

It was noted a quorum was present at the meeting.

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 February 2019:

- 20 citations
- 138 warnings
- 52 safety inspections
- 3 boating accidents
- 2 burglaries
- 4 fuel spills

Additional incidents to which the Marine Unit responded included a sunken vessel, vandalism, four abandoned vessels, and two trucks that slipped on ramps. Epoxy has been applied to the ramps.

Sgt. Mills advised that roughly 25% of vessels pass safety inspections. He explained that if a vessel is issued a citation, the Officer has the option of conducting a safety inspection as well. Citations are not written for failed safety inspections. Inspection decals are good through the remainder of the current calendar year.

V. Waiver of Limitations – 1 Hendricks Isle / Kenneth M. Ricketts

Heidi Davis, representing the Applicant, stated that the subject property is part of a town home project on Hendricks Isle. The property has an existing finger pier and pilings. The request is for the extension of a boat lift an additional 18 ft., reaching a total of 43 ft. from the property line. This is roughly 12% of the waterway's width.

Extraordinary circumstances include strong winds and extremely shallow depth during low tide at the subject location. The slip cannot be used during low tide. The Applicant has also experienced thefts from his vessel. An adjacent neighbor and the homeowners' association affiliated with the town homes complex have provided letters of support for the Application.

The Board members discussed the Application, with Mr. Morley requesting clarification that the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Self-Evaluation and Self-Certification process applied to multi-family dwellings. Frank Mormando, also

representing the Applicant, advised that the subject property is registered as a single-family home and falls under FDEP guidelines.

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, the Chair closed the public hearing and brought the discussion back to the Board.

Motion made by Mr. Morley, and duly seconded, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

VI. Dock Permit – 333 Poinciana Drive / James D. Wilson

Courtney Crush, representing the Applicant, recalled that in April 2018, two 25 ft. finger piers were approved across from the subject property. The request is to place a dock no longer than 25 ft. on land owned by the City. The City Commission has approved the addition of language and terminology for existing licenses of this nature.

Ms. Crush advised that neighbors in the Idlewyld community, including one immediate neighbor, had expressed the opinion that there should not be finger piers attached to the previous T-dock at the subject location. The Applicant is instead proposing an L-dock, which would have the same footprint and square footage as the northeast portion of the former T-dock, as well as a 5 ft. connecting pathway. The maximum proposed dimension is 30 ft. x 8 ft. Neighbors of the property would have appropriate access to the waterway.

Mr. Sea requested clarification of where the docks would be placed in reference to the two finger piers approved in 2018. Mr. Cuba noted that there is no principal upland structure on the lots for which the finger piers had been approved. The two lots are currently vacant. Ms. Crush emphasized that this is the sole application expected to be filed by the Applicant for the subject property, as he has committed to allowing no more than one boat at the dock. The Applicant has also agreed that no boat shall be docked perpendicularly to the shoreline. She asked that these two considerations be included in any motion made regarding the Application.

Mr. McLaughlin requested clarification of the seawall height required at the subject site. Ms. Crush noted that seawall height is part of an upcoming amendment to the City Ordinance governing private use of public property, and recalled that the seawall at the subject location was repaired within the previous year. She was not aware of the scope of that repair.

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

Kelly Overman, private citizen, stated that the Marine Tower Condominiums are fully supportive of the Application with three stipulations provided: