



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING**

**#21-0165**

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the  
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM:** Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE:** August 17, 2021

**TITLE:** Public Hearing - Resolution Granting a Waiver of Limitations at 301 N  
Birch Road, Unit 8S, for the Installation of Four (4) Post Boat Lift -  
**(Commission District 2)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a Resolution, pursuant to Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) 19.3(e), granting a Waiver of Limitations for the installation of a four (4) post boat lift located at 301 N Birch Road, Unit 8S.

**Background**

The applicant is seeking a Resolution, pursuant to ULDR 47-19.3(e) granting a Waiver of Limitations (a waiver to allow mooring structures to extend beyond the maximum distance as defined by City Code) of Section 47-19.3(c) of the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) for the installation of a no-profile boat lift extending a maximum distance of +/- 35.5 feet from the property line into the waters of the Intracoastal Waterway (ICWW). The applicants Summary Description specifies that the proposed boat lift is necessary to protect the owner's vessel during high wind events and severe weather, as well as to allow for light penetration and natural resource protection (Exhibit 1).

It should be noted that this application is for a second boat lift within 100-feet of a pre-existing boat lift on the property. This application has been received a Site Plan Level II review as of July 20, 2021, subject to a Commission "call-up" which shall expire August 19, 2021. Although there is not a fee associated with obtaining a Waiver of Limitations, an application fee in the amount of \$1,500.00 is required. The Marine Advisory Board recommended unanimous approval of the revised application 14 to 0 at the January 7, 2021 meeting (Exhibit 3). The condominium association also approves the applicant's request (Exhibit 4).

**Resource Impact**

There is a positive fiscal impact in the amount of \$1,500.00 Revenue related to the application fee is included in the FY2021 Operating Budget in the account listed below.

<i>Funds available as of July 25, 2021</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AMOUNT RECEIVED (Character)	AMOUNT
001-PKR090101-K189	Marine Facilities Administration	Charges for Services / Private Dock Fees	\$130,500	\$10,875	\$1,500
				<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ►</b>	\$1,500

**Strategic Connections**

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Build a healthy and engaging community
- Objective: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035* Vision Plan: We Are Here.

**Attachments**

- Exhibit 1 – Application
- Exhibit 2 – Code Section 47-19.3
- Exhibit 3 – January 7, 2021 Draft MAB Minutes
- Exhibit 4 – Letter of Support
- Exhibit 5 – Resolution of Approval
- Exhibit 6 – Resolution of Denial

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