



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

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MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
MARINE ADVISORY BOARD
VIRTUAL MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.**

		Cumulative Attendance	
		May 2020 – April 2021	
Grant Henderson, Chair	P	7	1
Ed Strobel, Vice Chair	P	8	0
Cliff Berry II	P	6	2
Deirdre Boling-Lewis	P	5	3
Robyn Chiarelli	A	4	4
Barry Flanigan	P	8	0
Richard Graves	P	5	3
James Harrison	A	7	1
Rose Ann Lovell	P	8	0
Kitty McGowan	A	6	2
Norbert McLaughlin	P	7	1
Ted Morley	P	6	2
Christopher Rotella	A	2	2
Bill Walker	P	6	2
Steve Witten	P	8	0

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

Staff

Andrew Cuba, Marine Facilities Manager
Jonathan Luscomb, Marine Facilities Supervisor
Sergeant Laurie Arthur, Fort Lauderdale Police Department
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 6:00 p.m. and roll was called.

II. Approval of Minutes – March 4, 2021

Motion made by Mr. Morley, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, to approve the minutes from the last meeting. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

feature and are not attached to the structure. There is also no physical attachment between the dock and the seawall.

Motion made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Morley, to approve. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

VI. Dock Permit – 915 Cordova Road / M. Austin Foreman Mgr. Gillis Investments 2 LTD

Mr. Caswell, representing the Applicant, stated that this Application also seeks to rebuild previous structures that existed before the reconstruction of the seawall. This dock will extend “approximately the same distance” into the waterway as the dock described in Item V.

There being no 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. Witten, seconded by Mr. Berry, to approve. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

VII. Dock Permit – 1207 Seminole Drive / William H. & Vicki L. Schaefer

This Item was deferred.

VIII. Dock Waiver -- 141 Isle of Venice / Madison Abele, Casa Murano LLC

This Item was deferred.

IX. Old / New Business

Mr. Flanigan recalled that at their March 2021 meeting, the Board had voted in favor of a variance requested on 20th Avenue. At a subsequent City Commission meeting, however, the Commission unanimously rejected the variance. He also noted that the Commission had not been supportive of the Board's recommendation and had characterized the Board's approval process as “rubber-stamping” variances and other requests.

Mr. Flanigan continued that several facts had been omitted from the presentation of the variance to the Commission, including issues relating to service vehicles, fuel delivery, and detailing of boats on the property. He pointed out that this activity is permitted in the subject area, and that significant tax dollars are generated there. He emphasized the importance of the Marine Advisory Board building a better relationship with the City Commission.