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### CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT STAMFORD HARBOR MANAGEMENT & SHELLFISH COMMISSION

Scheduled SHMC meeting on 1/18/2022 via Zoom; called to order at 6:31 PM-Chairman Ortelli presiding.

#### In Attendance:

Commissioners: Dr. Damian Ortelli, Chairman; Commissioners Paul Adelberg; Robert Karp; Michael Pensiero; Sam

Abernethy; Ray Redniss; Russ Hollander, Alternate.

Staff: Yale Greenman, Harbor Master; Frank Baldassare, Marina Supervisor, COS; Geoff Steadman,

Consultant (7:20 p.m.); and Maria Vazquez-Goncalves, Recorder.

Absent: Commissioner William Malloy, III; Frank Fedeli, COS; Sgt. Kevin Fitzgibbons, Stamford Police Dept.

COS; Captain Eric Knott, Online Mooring; Scott Denise, Assistant Marina Supervisor, COS.

### 1) Review & Approval of Meeting Minutes

- Commissioner Adelberg moved to approve December 21, 2021 minutes.
- Commissioner Redniss seconded the motion.
- Unanimously approved.

### 2) Chairman's Report

- Discussion on Code of ethics/FOIA update; 10/23/21 Connecticut's Freedom of Information Act and the City's Code of Ethics have recently changed. The Connecticut Legislature enacted a series of statutory revisions to FOIA relating to the use of electronic meetings.
- Discussion on WPCA Permit Exceedance; 1/11/22, 29,000 gallons, treated/non-disinfected effluent.
- Discussion on WPCA Permit Exceedance; 1/06/22, 1-5 gallons, raw sewage.
- Discussion of WPCA Permit Exceedance; 1/04/22, 6175 gallons, treated/non-disinfected effluent.

# 3) Committee Reports

**Application Review Committee:** Commissioner Karp: Committee met on 1/03/22, next scheduled meeting is on 2/07/22.

- Referral of CSPR 1124 Michael Chute, 34 Lanark Road, Stamford, CT.
  - Commissioner Adelberg moved to accept the ARC recommendation of a finding of no objection to this application with the understanding that the proposed project will have no significant impact on the Harbor Management Area.
  - Commissioner Pensiero seconded the motion.
  - Unanimously approved.
- Referral of CSPR 1125 Zero Ocean Drive West, LLC, o & 367 Ocean Drive West, Stamford, CT.
  - Commissioner Redniss recused himself.
  - Commissioner Adelberg moved to accept the ARC recommendation of a finding of consistency with the Harbor Management Plan provided the Engineering Bureau determines compliance with all City stormwater management requirements and to also recommend support for a maintenance agreement as a condition of project approval to ensure continued maintenance of the proposed storm water management system by the owner.
  - · Commissioner Pensiero seconded the motion.
  - Unanimously approved.
- State of CT DEEP, COP Zero Ocean Drive West, LLC, 367 Ocean Drive West, Stamford, CT.
  - Commissioner Redniss recused himself.
  - Commissioner Adelberg moved to accept the ARC recommendation of consistency with the Harbor Management Plan with the understanding that that the application is not associated with any past or pending DEEP enforcement action. In addition, the Applicant should be required to employ appropriate Best Management Practices during construction to ensure that the proposed work does not cause any significant adverse impacts on coastal resources and environmental quality in the Harbor Management Area, including water quality, tidal wetlands, and shellfish resources, and the work should be properly coordinated with upland site work to ensure that all planned drainage improvements are achieved.
  - · Commissioner Pensiero seconded the motion.
  - Unanimously approved.

HMP & Financial Review Committee: No report.

**Planning/Moorings Committee:** No report.

Shellfish Committee: No report.

#### **Marina Committee:** Commissioner Hollander:

- Discussion on the construction at the Harbor House.
- Discussion on bringing 5G to the harbor.

**Safety Committee:** No report.

## 4) Staff Reports

#### **Financial Review:**

- Commissioner Ortelli discussed Mr. Fedeli's financial report.
- Discussion on SoundWaters invoice and payments.

### **Harbor Master Report:**

- Discussion on oyster boats working in the mooring fields.
- Discussion on seeding in the West Branch.
- Discussion on starsandlighthouses.com

### **Marina Supervisor:**

• Mr. Baldassare stated they are continuing to build finger docks.

### 5) Old Business

- a. No update on setting license fees for shellfish licenses.
- b. No update on Fees for harbor users.
- c. Status update on CHMC/Court Case.
- d. Update on SoundWaters 2021 Harbor fest check. (under Financial Review)
- e. SoundWaters is hosting beach cleanup events: Saturday, 1/29/22 @ West Beach; Sunday, 2/27/22 @ Cummings Park; Saturday, 3/26/22 @ Cove Island; Sunday 4/24/22 @ Boccuzzi Park; Saturday, 5/21/22 @ Cummings Park, all cleanups are from 1 p.m. 3 p.m. SoundWaters will supply the gloves and buckets, they suggest attendees bring: Sturdy shoes or boots and warm clothes that can get dirty or wet.

# 6) New Business

• Consultant Steadman discussed the Small Harbor Improvement Project/Grant Money and preparing a proposal and grant applications for rebuilding the Cummings Marina. Consultant Steadman will converse with Erin McKenna.

# 7) Public Participation:

- None
- 8) Next Scheduled Meeting: February 15, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

## 9) Adjournment

- Commissioner Adelberg\_made a motion to adjourn.
- · Commissioner Redniss seconded the motion.
- Unanimously approved.