



**AGENDA
HARBOR AND WATERWAYS BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022
5:00 PM
DESTIN CITY HALL ANNEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL**
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A) November 22, 2021**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- 4. OLD BUSINESS**
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
- 6. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS**
 - A) Richard Hoey- Marina Siting Recommendation Discussion**
 - B) Guy Tadlock**
 - C) William McKissick**
 - D) Casey Jones**
 - E) Jim Green**
 - F) John Stephens**
 - G) Harvey Hurst**
- 7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
- 8. NEXT MEETING DATE: February 28, 2022**

Any person requiring a special accommodation at this hearing because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the City Clerk at (850) 837-4242 at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. If a person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at such meeting, such person will need a record of the proceeding and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (Sec. 286.0105, Florida Statutes)

**MINUTES OF THE
HARBOR AND WATERWAYS BOARD MEETING
DESTIN CITY HALL, NOVEMBER 22, 2021 - 5:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Hoey called the Destin Harbor and Waterways Board meeting to order at approximately 5:40 p.m. on Monday, November 22, 2021, at Destin City Hall, with the Pledge of Allegiance immediately following.

2. ROLL CALL:

Member Present:

Richard Hoey
Bill McKissick
John Stephens
Harvey Hurst
Guy Tadlock

Members Absent

Jim Green
Casey Jones

Staff:

Kim Montgomery Deputy City Clerk
Steven O'Connor Principal Planner
Tunazzina Alam, Planner
Sae More Planner
Kris Mercurio Deputy Code Compliance Dir.
Glen Sanders Harbor Compliance Officer
Kyle Bauman City Attorney

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

➤ **October 25, 2021**

Board member Hurst moved to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2021 minutes as written, with Board member Stephens providing the second; the motion passes with a 4-0 vote.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

➤ **Harbor Pump & Harbor Capacity Study**

Mr. O'Connor provided the members with current status of the Harbor Pump as well as the Harbor Capacity Study will commence this tourist season for the counting of the vessels and the aerial imagery as well. A question was asked if the large project on the harbor that was just approved would be included and Mr. O'Connor confirmed that it would.

The Deputy Code Compliance Director introduced the new Harbor & Waterways Compliance Officer, Glen Sanders to the members and the details of his job duties.

Board member Tadlock stated that he would like to see more No Wake Zone tickets to be issued as part of the job duties of the Harbor & Waterways Compliance Officer.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

➤ **3943 Indian Trail**

The applicant for the project briefly explained what they are requesting, and he is available for any questions they may have.

Staff member Sae More explained the details of the request to the Board members and noted that staff discovered a discrepancy to the submittal between the FDEP and the ACOE permits, and proper drawings have been resubmitted for the correction. She added that the project does meet the requirements of city codes but will not go for final approval until the approved permit is received from the ACOE.

The Chairman asked was the discrepancy. According to the applicant, the FDEP made some slight changes to the drawings to enable a portion of the project to avoid seagrass beds that are present, which were resubmitted to the ACOE. Adding that he just heard today, prior to this hearing, that they were approved.

Board member Tadlock pointed out that with the project being over 2,000 sq. ft., wouldn't the owner need to have a submerged land lease. According to the applicant's representative, they do.

Board member Stephens asked what exactly portion of the approval process is the submerged land lease required. According to Mr. O'Connor, the submerged land lease has to be obtained and provided prior to the construction permit being pulled with the city.

Board member McKissick announced for the record that he works for one of Mr. Bos' companies therefore, he cannot vote in the proceedings and will be abstaining.

Motion by Board member Hurst that the Harbor and Waterway Board recommend City Council approve the request for a single-family marine construction project located at 3943 Indian Trail. Subject to the applicant meeting all applicable, city permit requirements, and with the following condition: The applicant provides the city with approval from USACE permit at the time of the building permit application. Board member Stephens provided the second. The motion passed 4-0 with Board member McKissick abstaining from the vote.

6. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Board member Stephens asked if there were any necessary discussion they need to have regarding the Land Development Code rewrite. According to Mr. O'Connor, it is his understanding that the Board has already provided comments for Marine Siting. And it's just a matter of time for the consultant, 3TP to get those implemented into that Chapter once they get to that point. Adding that currently, 3TP is working on the rewrites Articles 3 & 4 and staff is in the review process of 3TP's 1 & 2 rewrites. So, their suggested changes were for any project that

request 10 or more slips would come before this Board for approval and any 9 or less would stay at staff level to review and make a recommendation to Council for approval, with all the same State level permits required.

The members addressed concern over the 9 or less slips being at staff level and 10 or more slips brought before the Harbor Board. Both the Chairman and Board member Tadlock stated they do not remember that conversation. Mr. O'Connor stated that he would have research done and bring any conversations back when he has any definitive answers for them to this regard. Noting that it won't be before their next scheduled meeting as it is going to take some time with all their other duties.

Board member McKissick asked what department is responsible to ensure that all the livery businesses operating in the city are making sure that their rentals are taking all of their safety precautions required for the daily rentals. According to Mr. Mercurio, it's his departments responsibility. And during their application process for a livery vessel operational license, they are required to submit the training requirements to both the State and the city. Board member Stephens spoke of participating in the training video from last year and how the one for this year is still with videographer at this time.

Board member Tadlock spoke of how boat rentals are coming on the horizon as opposed to someone actually purchasing one. Adding that people are purchasing them and then they are being rented out, similar to homes. He provided a couple websites as example where people can go to and rent just about any size boat. Mr. McKissick stated that he has seen this, and also where some people are buying boats and getting their captain's license to run the boat for people to rent so that the operator can have a good time and not worry about staying sober. Also, Air B&B rentals are providing vessels with their rentals, and that is another concern for safety.

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

None

8. NEXT MEETING DATE: December 27, 2021

The member briefly discussed the need for this meeting. According to staff, an application was submitted and if everything is in order to have a meeting they will schedule one.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Adopted and approved this _____ day of _____ 2021.

Richard Hoey, Chairman

Kim Montgomery, Deputy City Clerk

CITY OF DESTIN – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: January 24, 2022

BOARD/COMMITTEE: Harbor & Waterways Board

TYPE OF AGENDA ITEM: Presentation

OUTLINE NUMBER: 6.A.

TO: Harbor & Waterways Board

THRU: Louis Zunguze, Community Development Director
Kyle Bauman, City Attorney

FROM: Steve O'Connor, Principal Planner

DATE: January 19, 2022

SUBJECT: Richard Hoey- Marina Siting Recommendation Discussion

I. BACKGROUND: Since late 2019, Staff has worked with the Harbor & Waterways Board (HWB) to develop new Marina Sighting regulations. Exhibit A represents the final version of this process. It was taken before the Local Planning Agency (LPA) in February 2020. That process was delayed due to the continuation of the Ordinance by the LPA to a later date. During the original discussion with the LPA, there were concerns the ordinance may have unintended results.

In Early 2021, City Council directed Staff to comprehensively rewrite the entire Land Development Code (LDC). Since the Marina Sighting Regulations are within the LDC, Ordinance 20-06-LC was tabled and will be looked at during the comprehensive rewrite of the LDC.

II. DISCUSSION: As part of the LDC rewrite, the consultants, 3TP Ventures, Inc, have provided a few suggestions and are seeking further guidance on this specific topic. 3TP Ventures, Inc have suggested a change to what should come before the HWB. Staff reviewed 3TP's suggestion and is providing a recommendation that is more in line with the proposed Ordinance 20-06-LC.

Staff's recommendation is slightly different from the language in proposed Ordinance 20-06-LC, in that, rather than setting specific square footage on the residential dock at 1,000 sq. ft., we simply leave it at whether the dock can be self-certified or not. This will alleviate any changes needed in the future should the State change its regulations and increase or decrease its self-certification thresholds. See the recommendations below:

3TP Ventures, Inc. Recommendation:

2.06.02.G & 2.06.04 - It is recommended that marine construction is reviewed solely through the building permit process unless the proposal includes a marina (commercial or residential) with 10 or more slips. In that case, the application will be required to be reviewed by the Harbor and Waterways Board and City Council.

Staff Recommendation:

Any self-certification from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (State level), is staff-level approval.

Residential docks, not qualifying for self-certification, or with 4-9 slips, or that require U.S. Army Corps of Engineering approval, shall require Harbor and Waterways Board (HWB) review and recommendation to City Council for a consent agenda item.

Any residential dock with 10 slips or more requires HWB recommendation and a public hearing before the City Council. All commercial docks require HWB recommendation with a public hearing before the City Council.

- A. Link to Strategic Goals / Objectives:** 3) Improve mobility and connectivity, and 4) Enhanced quality of life and safety for families
- B. Effect on Budget (EOB):** N/A
- C. Level of Service (LOS):** Increased waterway connectivity

III. CONCLUSION: Should the Board agree with the Staff's recommendation or provide Staff with an alternative, Staff will bring the recommendation to the LPA for a formal recommendation to City Council for inclusion in the Land Development Code.

IV. RECOMMENDED MOTION: I recommend forwarding a positive recommendation to the Local Planning Agency, on Staff's recommended language for the Board's review involvement for docks, marinas, or other infrastructure affecting the waterways of Destin.

Attachments:

1. Ordinance 20-06-LC Marina Siting
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2. Destin LDC 11.05.00 - Marina
Sighting

ORDINANCE NO. 20-06-LC

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DESTIN, FLORIDA AMENDING SECTION 11.05.00 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; AMENDING REGULATIONS FOR MARINA SITING; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY.

The authority for enactment of this Ordinance is Article 1, Section 1.01 (b) of the City Charter, Section 166.021, Florida Statutes and Chapter 163, Part II, Florida Statutes.

SECTION 2. FINDINGS OF FACT.

WHEREAS, the City Council in providing for the health, safety and welfare of its citizens finds that the City should modify the regulations for marina siting; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that this ordinance is consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan and is in the best interests of the City and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been conducted after due public notice by the Local Planning Agency and its recommendations reported to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been conducted by the City Council after due public notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DESTIN, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

NOTE: Language in all sections of this ordinance that is ~~strike-thru~~ is language proposed to be deleted, underline language is language to be added, language that is not in strike-thru or underlined is not to be changed. The symbol * represents sections of the Land Development Code that have been skipped and remain unchanged.**

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT OF LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE SECTION 11.05.00.

Section 11.05.00 of the Land Development Code is hereby amended as follows:

11.05.00. - Marina siting.

11.05.01. *General regulations; prohibitions.* This article establishes and regulates procedures and standards by which the City controls and regulates development, construction and activities within and contiguous to the Harbor and waterways of Destin. The following regulations and prohibitions shall apply to the Harbor and waterways of Destin:

- A. No person shall construct or add to an existing dock, seawall, bulkhead, mooring or piling, modify an existing submerged land lease, or conditions thereto, or conduct dredge or fill operations in, or contiguous to, the Harbor or waterways of Destin without first obtaining the proper authorization from the appropriate federal, state and City agencies.
- B. All new commercial docks, marinas, upland cuts, and proposed single-family marine construction projects of 1000 square feet or more shall require approval from the Harbor and Waterways Board and City Council. The addition or modification of a boat lift or pilings within an existing legal and conforming boat slip shall not require the review of the Harbor and Waterways Board or the City Council. Rather, a copy of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit, DEP permit, and a homeowner's association approval (if applicable) shall accompany a completed application for a building permit, provided no additional slips are created.
- C. No fish carcasses and debris shall be discharged into the Harbor or waterways of Destin.
- D. No person who maintains or operates a dock shall allow or permit the disposal of fish carcasses, litter, waste petroleum products or other pollutants into the Harbor or waterways of Destin. Trash disposal receptacles shall be anchored to each dock to ensure compliance with the provisions of this article.
- E. No fuel or oil shall be willfully or knowingly discharged in the Harbor or waterways of Destin. No dock which sells fuel or oil shall be constructed, operated or maintained in the Harbor or waterways of Destin unless an oil abatement plan, in accordance with Coast Guard guidelines, is available at each dock. The Destin Harbor and Waterways Board shall review and recommend approval or disapproval of each oil abatement plan to the City Council, which shall have approval authority. Each existing dock which sells fuel or oil shall develop and have approved an oil abatement plan acceptable to the City. All new docks which sell fuel or oil shall develop and have an approved oil abatement plan, which is acceptable to the City, prior to receiving a building permit from the City.
- F. No new or existing dock shall be constructed or modified such that the length of any pier as completed is greater than 20 percent of the width of the Harbor or waterway at the place where the pier is located, or out 200 feet, whichever is less, except in Choctawhatchee Bay.
- G. No piling(s) shall be added to the waterward end of any pier which piling(s) would make the total length of the dock more than 200 feet, or 20 percent of the waterway, whichever is less, except in Choctawhatchee Bay.
- H. No vessel shall be moored or docked on the waterward end of any pier of the maximum legal length, as determined pursuant to subsection F above, for more than 72 hours.
- I. No dock shall be constructed which permits the commercial docking of boats with on-board toilets unless such the dock is equipped with a sewage pump-out.
- J. No dock shall be constructed which permits the docking of a live-aboard unless such vessel has an operable holding tank.
- K. No boat shall be moored in the Harbor or waterways of Destin such that constitutes a hazard to navigation.
- L. No dock shall be constructed such that it constitutes a hazard to navigation.
- M. Excepting docks connected to uplands zoned SHMU, or those located on Choctawhatchee Bay, no dock shall be longer than the width, at the mean high-water line, of the lot to which the dock is attached.

1. For those docks connected to uplands zoned SHMU, or those located on Choctawhatchee Bay, a dock may be constructed to a length of 1.5 times the width of the property at the mean high-water line, provided the length of the dock not exceed the maximum length established by paragraphs F and G above.
 2. For the purpose of this subsection, lots may be combined with neighboring lots. However, no dock may exceed the limitations specified in subsection F above.
- N. No dock shall be constructed or modified such that slip density exceeds one slip per eight lineal feet of waterfront footage except that, on canals, no lot may have more than one slip per 45 linear feet of waterfront. However, all lots riparian to a canal shall be entitled to at least two slips on the canal.
- O. No boat or vessel, entering into, exiting or operating within the Destin Harbor shall operate at such speed that would create a wake that endangers other boats or vessels, swimmers or other persons within the Destin Harbor, or would contribute to any adjacent land erosion.
- P. No heated or cooled water may be emitted into the Harbor, waterways, or the Harbor canals other than from a boat.
- Q. No pier shall extend more than six feet into a canal right-of-way.
- R. No discharge of water shall contain phosphorous or any other substance likely to cause a violation of the water quality standards specified in Chapter 17-302, Florida Administrative Code.
- S. No dock or vessel shall be placed within the 25-foot setback of a property line without providing prior written notification to the adjoining landowners. ~~and requesting their response.~~ Any objections received from the adjoining property owners will be considered by the Harbor and Waterways Board in their recommendations to the City Council.
- T. No dock shall unreasonably interfere with the riparian rights of others. Any objections received from the adjoining property owners will be considered by the Harbor and Waterways Board in their recommendations to the City Council.
- U. No dock of 100 feet or longer shall be constructed unless a white navigation/security night-light is installed at the furthest point seaward on said dock and such light is to be illuminated continuously from dusk to dawn every night of the year. All existing docks 100 feet or longer shall install and operate a navigation/security light pursuant to this subsection. Each light shall be installed within 90 days after adoption of this Code.
- V. No commercially operated boat docking facilities shall be permitted or operated unless equipped with firefighting facilities as specified by the City.
- W. No construction shall be allowed which violates any provision of the Standard Building Code, as adopted by the City.
- X. No electrical or water service upon any dock shall be installed unless a permit is obtained from the Planning Department and Building Department for that service.
- Y. No person, while operating a boat within the or waterways of Destin shall allow or permit the disposal of fish carcasses, litter, waste, petroleum products or other pollutants into the Harbor or waterways of Destin from such boats.
- Z. No lot, or multi-contiguous lots, with less than 50 feet of waterfront footage shall be allowed individual docks, unless they are parallel to the shoreline. However, docks may be allowed under the provisions of subsection 11.05.01.M.2. Any objections received from the adjoining property

owners will be considered by the Harbor and Waterways Board in their recommendations to the City Council.

- X. Commercial marine businesses located in South Harbor Mixed Use (SHMU) and/or Calhoun Mixed Use (CMU), that operate or rent passenger vessels must provide designated docking facilities, whether privately owned or leased.

11.05.02. *Permitting procedures.* The following procedures shall be adhered to by persons desiring to construct a new dock or add to, alter or remodel, add riprap to, or reconstruct an existing dock:

- A. Persons desiring to construct a new dock or add to, alter, remodel, add riprap to, or reconstruct an existing dock shall apply for and obtain a permit and other authorization from the City prior to construction.
- B. Each applicant shall designate the location of his property on the or waterways of Destin and attach this to the building permit application and must complete the City application form(s).
- C. Application shall be made by filing with the City, the City's permit application form and a copy of the joint application form used by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the requirements of which are expressly adopted herein as they existed on the effective date of this Code, and as they are hereafter amended by said respective agencies.
- D. A building permit shall be obtained from the City prior to beginning construction, in accordance with City ordinances.
- E. If the dock is to have more than two slips for commercial use or for use by persons other than the owner, the applicant/owner shall supply a certified copy, from the Okaloosa County Tax Appraiser, of all names, addresses, and property I.D. numbers of the owners of adjacent waterfront property.
- F. City Staff ~~The Harbor and Waterways Board~~ shall review all timely received applications. Applications that meet the requirement of 11.05.01.B will be reviewed at the next regularly scheduled Harbor and Waterways Board meeting. The City Council shall take final action on the application within 30 days of receipt of all state and federal permits and the Board's recommendation.
- G. Marinas having ten or more slips and/or non-residential docking facilities shall require a public hearing before the City Council prior to approval. A marina having ten or more slips and/or non-residential docking facilities shall be denied if the City Council determines that the proposed development does not meet the criteria outlined in this section and, further if the proposed development is adverse to the public's interest.

Criteria for marinas and/or non-residential docking facilities:

1. Land use compatibility. The applicant shall demonstrate that the proposed development, including its proposed scale and intensity, traffic-generating characteristics, and off-site impacts are compatible and harmonious with adjacent land use and will not adversely impact land use activities in the immediate vicinity. The proposed development shall meet or exceed the requirements outlined in Article 7.12.00, City's Land Development Code.

2. Proper use of mitigative infrastructure. The applicant shall demonstrate the proposed development and site plan have been designed to incorporate mitigative techniques needed to prevent adverse impacts to surface waters. The proposed development shall meet or exceed the requirements outlined in Article 10.03.00, City's Land Development Code.
 3. Hazardous waste. The proposed development shall not generate hazardous waste or require use of hazardous materials in its operation without use of city-approved mitigative techniques designed to prevent any adverse impacts to adjacent surface waters. The development shall include best management principles and practices and must comply with the requirements outlined in Article 11.09.00, City's Land Development Code.
- H. Building permits must be obtained within one year of final approval by the City Council or the approval expires and must be resubmitted for reconsideration by both the Harbor and Waterways Board and City Council. The project will be subject to all current regulations of the City.
- I. The application must be signed by the title of record owner(s) or any long-term lessee of the abutting upland property.
- J. Applications for permission for dock or upland cut construction shall include scaled drawings, ~~prepared and certified by a land surveyor or architect, if requested by the Harbors and Waterways Board at the public hearing,~~ and said plans shall include at a minimum:
1. Boundary Survey or Plat, to include:
 - i. Location of the mean high-water line
 - ii. Linear feet of water frontage
 2. Accurate measurements for depth and width in several locations in the vicinity of the proposed dock, in addition to:
 - i. Linear feet and/or total square footage of the proposed project
 - ii. Boathouse height, if applicable
 - iii. Identification of environmentally sensitive areas, if applicable (i.e., sea grasses)
 2. Channels, shoals, obstructions, docks, markers, and proposed improvements.
 3. Accurate location of the applicant's shoreline, and the opposing shoreline with corresponding measurements, if applicable (i.e., Destin Harbor, Joe's Bayou, Indian Bayou)
 4. Riparian ~~lines~~ setbacks (i.e., 25' adjacent property lines)
 5. Other site-specific information.
- K. In water bodies of less than 100 feet in width, owners of property on the opposing shore to the proposed construction shall be provided with written notification of the proposed construction. Any objections received will be provided to the Harbor and Waterways Board and the City Council.

- L. Where multiple slips extend from the shore and on multiple-slip docks and for any slip in a canal, aerators or circulation devices shall be required as determined by the City. Such devices shall be required where it is determined that circulation is deemed to be interfered with by the proposed facilities.
- M. Shorelines shall require protection from erosion as determined by the City.
- N. A net positive environmental benefit (NPEB), equal to 25 percent of the cost of construction shall be made to the City of Destin by the applicant prior to issuance of a building permit for each construction project authorized by this Article, which is located within the Destin Harbor.
- O. No permit shall be issued by the City until the applicant obtains all authorizations and permits from federal and state agencies, and until the required NPEB funds are paid, if applicable.
- P. All applicants shall apply to the City and must receive preliminary approval for the proposed construction prior to taking any other action. Preliminary approval shall be considered for projects meeting the criteria outlined in 11.05.01.B by the City Council after review and recommendations of the Harbor and Waterways Board. If the application is for joint ownership of a dock, the applicant must obtain written permission from all title of record owners and long-term lessees of the abutting upland property. Upon approval of all appropriate federal and state agencies, final approval from the City Council shall be obtained before a permit is issued.
- Q. The following procedures shall apply to transferring permits:
 - 1. The permit is not transferable without the written consent of the City, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The City Manager, or his designee, shall determine transferability upon recommendation of the Board. The decision may be appealed to the City Council.
 - 2. Whenever, during a construction project, a permittee transfers title of record to the abutting upland property or leases that property by long-term lease, a request by the original permittee shall be made to the City to transfer the permit. Forms for this purpose may be obtained from the City. Failure to apply for such a transfer within 30 days from the date the abutting upland property is sold or conveyed by long-term lease will result in an additional fee being charged to the original permittee by the City.
 - 3. At the time of transfer, all construction shall be inspected for compliance with the City's minimum plumbing, electrical and structural requirements and for compliance with the conditions of the existing permit. Fees for said inspections are set forth in Article 18 of this Code. All deficiencies shall be corrected prior to final transfer of the dock.
- R. All construction in the Harbor and waterways of Destin shall require a permit from the City.
- S. The applicant shall be responsible for personal injury or property damage which arises from construction and use of the project to the extent provided by common law.
- T. The City shall retain the right to revoke any permit issued under this Article if the health, safety or welfare of any person or property is in jeopardy, or for any other good cause. If the applicant fails to remove such structure within the time specified upon revocation of the permit, the City shall have the right to immediately remove the same at the cost and expense of the applicant. Good cause shall include, but not be limited to, violation of any permit conditions, or any provision of this Article.
- U. Upon completion of a dock, or other structure requiring a construction permit, a final inspection shall be conducted by the City. After the final inspection is complete, a certificate of occupancy will be issued which shall be a permanent permit for such dock or structure.

V. The addition or modification of an upland cut shall require the review of the Harbor and Waterways Board and City Council. A copy of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit, DEP permit, and a homeowner's association approval (if applicable) shall be required at the time of permit issuance. The project will be subject to all current regulations of the City, and must meet the minimum side setback requirements for said zoning districts.

W. Written notice shall be provided to adjacent property owners in accordance with Article 2.17.00, Land Development Code.

11.05.03. *Inspection and repairs.* All construction shall be inspected by the City Building Inspector for compliance with applicable building codes. The permittee shall be responsible for the condition and repair of permitted docks and failure to maintain said docks in a safe condition shall constitute grounds for revocation of the permit.

11.05.04. *Permit revocation.* The City reserves full right, power and authority to revoke a permit at any time for good cause. In the event that permittee fails to remove said structure within the time specified upon revocation of the permit, the City shall have the right to immediately remove same at the cost and expense of the permittee. Good cause shall include, but not be limited to, violation of any permit condition, or any provision of this ordinance.

11.05.05. *Liveaboards.* Except in an emergency, no person(s) shall live aboard any boat in Harbor and waterways of Destin for a period exceeding 48 hours without notifying the Code Compliance Department Environmental Officer, or other City official as designated by the City Manager, and receiving a registration permit. In cases of an emergency, such notification shall be given to the Code Compliance Department Environmental Officer within three hours after the immediate emergency situation ceases. Proof that each live-aboard boat has an operable holding tank must be furnished to the Code Compliance Department Environmental Officer at time of notification. All liveaboards must comply with all applicable regulations of the U.S. Coast Guard, Florida Marine Patrol, and City of Destin.

11.05.06. *Joint ownership docks.* Permits may be granted for joint ownership of a dock at the common riparian boundary, subject to the following conditions:

- A. No permits shall be granted to persons other than the title of record owner or long-term lessee of the abutting upland property.
- B. The permit application must be signed by the owner of record or long-term lessee of all abutting upland property having access to the facility.
- C. The permit shall provide that all parties shall have equal rights under the permit and shall be held jointly responsible for compliance with all rules, regulations and conditions set forth in the permit and this ordinance.
- D. The regulations for setbacks apply to joint ownership docks with the exception that docks may be extended over the common property lines.

11.05.07. *Permit for maintenance and cosmetic improvements.* The City Manager, or his designee, may issue permits within the Harbor and waterways of Destin for which maintenance or cosmetic improvement is accomplished to existing facilities. No permit shall be issued for facilities which do not conform to the standard Harbor drawings and the adopted marina siting requirements.

11.05.08. *Registration of structures.* All existing docks, seawalls and bulkheads located within the Harbor and waterways of Destin shall be registered with the City as follows:

- A. The title of record or long-term lessee of all existing structures at the time of adoption of this ordinance shall register such structure with the City within 90 days after adoption of this ordinance.
- B. Each structure shall be re-registered upon any change in ownership or long-term lessee of the abutting upland property.
- C. The City shall be notified upon the expiration of an existing long-term lease by the title of record owner of the abutting upland property.
- D. The City shall be notified by the title of record owner and long-term lessee of the abutting upland property upon the destruction of 50 percent of the replacement value of the structure. The City shall maintain a registration of all docks, seawalls and bulkheads located within the Destin Harbor.

11.05.09. *Exceptions.* Exceptions from the provisions of Section 11.05.01 are as follows:

- A. The Board of Adjustment may approve an exception for docks and pilings to be extended beyond the limits allowed in paragraphs M and N of Section 11.05.01 provided that, in addition to the criteria listed in Section 2.25.03.G, the following criteria is also met:
 - 1. That site-specific environmental conditions would impede placement of slips near or next to the shoreline.
 - 2. That site specific environmental conditions exist that prohibit dredging.
 - 3. That the proposed layout of the dock and pilings does not create a hazard to navigation.
 - 4. That no additional slips are obtained than would otherwise fit into a dock of the maximum size allowed without the exception.
- B. Properties located in the South Harbor Mixed Use zoning district ~~that propose development under Tier 1 or 2 development standards~~ are exempt from the provisions prescribed in paragraphs F, G, M and N of Section 11.05.01 provided they meet all of the following criteria:
 - 1. An approved submerged land lease from FDEP is submitted.
 - 2. An approval from the Army Corps of Engineers stating that the length of docks and pilings will not create a risk to navigation is submitted.
 - 3. This provision only applies to properties with only non-residential uses and mixed uses that contain non-residential uses and short-term residential uses.
 - 4. This provision does not apply to developments that contain long-term residential uses.
 - 5. A minimum ten percent of the total number of the slips in the project are set aside for fare carrying boats and that another minimum ten percent of the total slips are set aside for transient boats that are open to the public (to promote non-automobile travel). "Project" as used herein shall mean the entire number of slips tied to the uplands and not the total number of slips past 200 feet from the uplands. A minimum of 50 percent of the transient slips must be reserved for non-rental users. The remainder of the total ten percent may be reserved for short-term rental users. A loading and unloading area or slip must be reserved for use by a water taxi. This area or slip must be clearly marked by signage stating that it is reserved for the water taxi.
 - 6. For Tier 1 developments, all of the requirements listed in Section 7.09.03.F.7 must be met.

C. Properties located in the Calhoun Mixed Use zoning district ~~that propose development under Tier 1 or 2 development standards~~ are exempt from the provisions prescribed in paragraphs M and N of Section 11.05.01 provided they meet all of the following criteria:

1. An approved submerged land lease from FDEP is submitted.
2. An approval from the Army Corps of Engineers stating that the length of docks and pilings will not create a risk to navigation is submitted.
3. A minimum ten percent of the total number of the slips in the project are set aside for fare carrying boats and that another minimum ten percent of the total slips are set aside for transient boats that are open to the public (to promote non-automobile travel). "Project" as used herein shall mean the entire number of slips tied to the uplands and not the total number of slips past 200 feet from the uplands. A minimum of 50 percent of the transient slips must be reserved for non-rental users. The remainder of the total ten percent may be reserved for short-term rental users. A loading and unloading area or slip must be reserved for use by a water taxi. This area or slip must be clearly marked by signage stating that it is reserved for the water taxi.
4. For Tier 1 developments, all of the requirements listed in Section 7.09.03.F.7 must be met.

11.05.10. *Reconstruction of existing facilities.* For existing facilities which are damaged by accidents, vandalism, ordinary wear and tear or acts of God, the provisions of paragraphs F, G, M, and N of Section 11.05.01 shall not be applicable to reconstruction so long as the damaged facilities are reconstructed in the same or lesser dimensions and so long as the construction permit is applied for from the City within six months of the sustaining damage.

11.05.11. *Penalties.* Any person found in violation of this article shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$500.00 or imprisoned for a term not exceeding 60 days or by both such fine and imprisonment. Each day any violation of any provision of this Code continues shall constitute a separate offense.

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SECTION 4. INCORPORATION INTO LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE. This ordinance shall be incorporated into the City of Destin's Land Development Code and any section or paragraph number or letter and any heading may be changed or modified as necessary to effectuate the foregoing.

SECTION 5. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS. Special Acts of the Florida Legislature applicable to the incorporated area of the City of Destin, City Ordinances and City Resolutions, or parts, thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby superseded by this ordinance to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY. If any section, phase, sentence, or portion of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be

deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council and signature by the Mayor.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2020.

By: _____
Gary Jarvis, Mayor

ATTEST:

The form and legal sufficiency of the foregoing has been reviewed and approved by the City Land Use Attorney.

Rey Bailey, City Clerk

Kimberly Kopp, City Land Use Attorney

First Reading: _____
Second Reading: _____

11.05.00. - Marina siting.

11.05.01. *General regulations; prohibitions.* This article establishes and regulates procedures and standards by which the City controls and regulates development, construction and activities within and contiguous to the Harbor and waterways of Destin. The following regulations and prohibitions shall apply to the Harbor and waterways of Destin:

- A. No person shall construct or add to an existing dock, seawall, bulkhead, mooring or piling, modify an existing submerged land lease, or conditions thereto, or conduct dredge or fill operations in, or contiguous to, the Harbor or waterways of Destin without first obtaining the proper authorization from the appropriate federal, state and City agencies.
- B. The addition or modification of a boat lift or pilings within an existing legal and conforming boat slip shall not require the review of the Harbor and Waterways Board or the City Council. Rather, a copy of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit, DEP permit, and a homeowner's association approval (if applicable) shall accompany a completed application for a building permit, provided no additional slips are created.
- C. No fish carcasses and debris shall be discharged into the Harbor or waterways of Destin.
- D. No person who maintains or operates a dock shall allow or permit the disposal of fish carcasses, litter, waste petroleum products or other pollutants into the Harbor or waterways of Destin. Trash disposal receptacles shall be anchored to each dock to ensure compliance with the provisions of this article.
- E. No fuel or oil shall be willfully or knowingly discharged in the Harbor or waterways of Destin. No dock which sells fuel or oil shall be constructed, operated or maintained in the Harbor or waterways of Destin unless an oil abatement plan, in accordance with Coast Guard guidelines, is available at each dock. The Destin Harbor and Waterways Board shall review and recommend approval or disapproval of each oil abatement plan to the City Council, which shall have approval authority. Each existing dock which sells fuel or oil shall develop and have approved an oil abatement plan acceptable to the City. All new docks which sell fuel or oil shall develop and have an approved oil abatement plan, which is acceptable to the City, prior to receiving a building permit from the City.
- F. No new or existing dock shall be constructed or modified such that the length of any pier as completed is greater than 20 percent of the width of the Harbor or waterway at the place where the pier is located, or out 200 feet, whichever is less, except in Choctawhatchee Bay.
- G. No piling(s) shall be added to the waterward end of any pier which piling(s) would make the total length of the dock more than 200 feet, or 20 percent of the waterway, whichever is less, except in Choctawhatchee Bay.
- H. No vessel shall be moored or docked on the waterward end of any pier of the maximum legal length, as determined pursuant to subsection F above, for more than 72 hours.
- I. No dock shall be constructed which permits the commercial docking of boats with on-board toilets unless such the dock is equipped with a sewage pump-out.
- J. No dock shall be constructed which permits the docking of a live-aboard unless such vessel has an operable holding tank.
- K. No boat shall be moored in the Harbor or waterways of Destin such that constitutes a hazard to navigation.
- L. No dock shall be constructed such that it constitutes a hazard to navigation.

- M. Excepting docks connected to uplands zoned SHMU, or those located on Choctawhatchee Bay, no dock shall be wider than the width, at the mean high-water line, of the lot to which the dock is attached.
1. For those docks connected to uplands zoned SHMU, or those located on Choctawhatchee Bay, a dock may be constructed to a length of 1.5 times the width of the property at the mean high-water line, provided the length of the dock not exceed the maximum length established by paragraphs F and G above.
 2. For the purpose of this subsection, lots may be combined with neighboring lots. However, no dock may exceed the limitations specified in subsection F above.
- N. No dock shall be constructed or modified such that slip density exceeds one slip per eight lineal feet of waterfront footage except that, on canals, no lot may have more than one slip per 45 linear feet of waterfront. However, all lots riparian to a canal shall be entitled to at least two slips on the canal.
- O. No boat or vessel, entering into, exiting or operating within the Destin Harbor shall operate at such speed that would create a wake that endangers other boats or vessels, swimmers or other persons within the Destin Harbor, or would contribute to any adjacent land erosion.
- P. No heated or cooled water may be emitted into the Harbor, waterways, or the Harbor canals other than from a boat.
- Q. No pier shall extend more than six feet into a canal right-of-way.
- R. No discharge of water shall contain phosphorous or any other substance likely to cause a violation of the water quality standards specified in Chapter 17-302, Florida Administrative Code.
- S. No dock or vessel shall be placed within the 25-foot setback of a property line without providing prior written notification to the adjoining landowners and requesting their response. Any objections received from the adjoining property owners will be considered by the Harbor and Waterways Board in their recommendations to the City Council.
- T. No dock shall unreasonably interfere with the riparian rights of others.
- U. No dock of 100 feet or longer shall be constructed unless a white navigation/security night-light is installed at the furthest point seaward on said dock and such light is to be illuminated continuously from dusk to dawn every night of the year. All existing docks 100 feet or longer shall install and operate a navigation/security light pursuant to this subsection. Each light shall be installed within 90 days after adoption of this Code.
- V. No commercially operated boat docking facilities shall be permitted or operated unless equipped with firefighting facilities as specified by the City.
- W. No construction shall be allowed which violates any provision of the Standard Building Code, as adopted by the City.
- X. No electrical or water service upon any dock shall be installed unless a permit is obtained from the Planning Department and Building Department for that service.
- Y. No person, while operating a boat within the or waterways of Destin shall allow or permit the disposal of fish carcasses, litter, waste, petroleum products or other pollutants into the Harbor or waterways of Destin from such boats.
- Z. No lot, or multi-contiguous lots, with less than 50 feet of waterfront footage shall be allowed individual

docks, unless they are parallel to the shoreline. However, docks may be allowed under the provisions of subsection 11.05.01.M.2.

11.05.02. *Permitting procedures.* The following procedures shall be adhered to by persons desiring to construct a new dock or add to, alter or remodel, add riprap to, or reconstruct an existing dock:

- A. Persons desiring to construct a new dock or add to, alter, remodel, add riprap to, or reconstruct an existing dock shall apply for and obtain a permit and other authorization from the City prior to construction.
- B. Each applicant shall designate the location of his property on the or waterways of Destin and attach this to the building permit application and must complete the City application form(s).
- C. Application shall be made by filing with the City, the City's permit application form and a copy of the joint application form used by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the requirements of which are expressly adopted herein as they existed on the effective date of this Code, and as they are hereafter amended by said respective agencies.
- D. A building permit shall be obtained from the City prior to beginning construction, in accordance with City ordinances.
- E. If the dock is to have more than two slips for commercial use or for use by persons other than the owner, the applicant/owner shall supply a certified copy, from the Okaloosa County Tax Appraiser, of all names, addresses, and property I.D. numbers of the owners of adjacent waterfront property.
- F. The Harbor and Waterways Board shall review all timely received applications at the next regularly scheduled Harbor and Waterways Board meeting. The City Council shall take final action on the application within 30 days of receipt of all state and federal permits and the Board's recommendation.
- G. Marinas having ten or more slips and/or non-residential docking facilities shall require a public hearing before the City Council prior to approval.
- H. Building permits must be obtained within one year of final approval by the City Council or the approval expires and must be resubmitted for reconsideration by both the Harbor and Waterways Board and City Council. The project will be subject to all current regulations of the City.
- I. The application must be signed by the title of record owner(s) or any long-term lessee of the abutting upland property.
- J. Applications for permission for dock construction shall include scaled drawings, prepared and certified by a land surveyor or architect, if requested by the Harbors and Waterways Board at the public hearing, and said plans shall include at a minimum:
 - 1. Accurate measurements for depth and width in several locations in the vicinity of the proposed dock.
 - 2. Channels, shoals, obstructions, docks, markers, and proposed improvements.
 - 3. Accurate location of the applicant's shoreline, and the opposing shoreline with corresponding measurements.
 - 4. Riparian lines.
 - 5. Other site specific information.
- K. In water bodies of less than 100 feet in width, owners of property on the opposing shore to the proposed

construction shall be provided with written notification of the proposed construction. Any objections received will be provided to the Harbor and Waterways Board and the City Council.

- L. Where multiple slips extend from the shore and on multiple-slip docks and for any slip in a canal, aerators or circulation devices shall be required as determined by the City. Such devices shall be required where it is determined that circulation is deemed to be interfered with by the proposed facilities.
- M. Shorelines shall require protection from erosion as determined by the City.
- N. A net positive environmental benefit (NPEB), equal to 25 percent of the cost of construction shall be made to the City of Destin by the applicant prior to issuance of a building permit for each construction project authorized by this Article, which is located within the Destin Harbor.
- O. No permit shall be issued by the City until the applicant obtains all authorizations and permits from federal and state agencies, and until the required NPEB funds are paid, if applicable.
- P. All applicants shall apply to the City and must receive preliminary approval for the proposed construction prior to taking any other action. Preliminary approval shall be considered for issuance by the City Council after review and recommendations of the Harbor and Waterways Board. If the application is for joint ownership of a dock, the applicant must obtain written permission from all title of record owners and long-term lessees of the abutting upland property. Upon approval of all appropriate federal and state agencies, final approval from the City Council shall be obtained before a permit is issued.
- Q. The following procedures shall apply to transferring permits:
 - 1. The permit is not transferable without the written consent of the City, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The City Manager, or his designee, shall determine transferability upon recommendation of the Board. The decision may be appealed to the City Council.
 - 2. Whenever, during a construction project, a permittee transfers title of record to the abutting upland property or leases that property by long-term lease, a request by the original permittee shall be made to the City to transfer the permit. Forms for this purpose may be obtained from the City. Failure to apply for such a transfer within 30 days from the date the abutting upland property is sold or conveyed by long-term lease will result in an additional fee being charged to the original permittee by the City.
 - 3. At the time of transfer, all construction shall be inspected for compliance with the City's minimum plumbing, electrical and structural requirements and for compliance with the conditions of the existing permit. Fees for said inspections are set forth in Article 18 of this Code. All deficiencies shall be corrected prior to final transfer of the dock.
- R. All construction in the Harbor and waterways of Destin shall require a permit from the City.
- S. The applicant shall be responsible for personal injury or property damage which arises from construction and use of the project to the extent provided by common law.
- T. The City shall retain the right to revoke any permit issued under this Article if the health, safety or welfare of any person or property is in jeopardy, or for any other good cause. If the applicant fails to remove such structure within the time specified upon revocation of the permit, the City shall have the right to immediately remove the same at the cost and expense of the applicant. Good cause shall include, but not be limited to, violation of any permit conditions, or any provision of this Article.

- U. Upon completion of a dock, or other structure requiring a construction permit, a final inspection shall be conducted by the City. After the final inspection is complete, a certificate of occupancy will be issued which shall be a permit for such dock or structure.

11.05.03. *Inspection and repairs.* All construction shall be inspected by the City Building Inspector for compliance with applicable building codes. The permittee shall be responsible for the condition and repair of permitted docks and failure to maintain said docks in a safe condition shall constitute grounds for revocation of the permit.

11.05.04. *Permit revocation.* The City reserves full right, power and authority to revoke a permit at any time for good cause. In the event that permittee fails to remove said structure within the time specified upon revocation of the permit, the City shall have the right to immediately remove same at the cost and expense of the permittee. Good cause shall include, but not be limited to, violation of any permit condition, or any provision of this ordinance.

11.05.05. *Liveaboards.* Except in an emergency, no person(s) shall live aboard any boat in Harbor and waterways of Destin for a period exceeding 48 hours without notifying the Environmental Officer, or other City official as designated by the City Manager, and receiving a registration permit. In cases of an emergency, such notification shall be given to the Environmental Officer within three hours after the immediate emergency situation ceases. Proof that each live-aboard boat has an operable holding tank must be furnished to the Environmental Officer at time of notification. All liveaboards must comply with all applicable regulations of the U.S. Coast Guard, Florida Marine Patrol, and City of Destin.

11.05.06. *Joint ownership docks.* Permits may be granted for joint ownership of a dock at the common riparian boundary, subject to the following conditions:

- A. No permits shall be granted to persons other than the title of record owner or long-term lessee of the abutting upland property.
- B. The permit application must be signed by the owner of record or long-term lessee of all abutting upland property having access to the facility.
- C. The permit shall provide that all parties shall have equal rights under the permit and shall be held jointly responsible for compliance with all rules, regulations and conditions set forth in the permit and this ordinance.
- D. The regulations for setbacks apply to joint ownership docks with the exception that docks may be extended over the common property lines.

11.05.07. *Permit for maintenance and cosmetic improvements.* The City Manager, or his designee, may issue permits within the Harbor and waterways of Destin for which maintenance or cosmetic improvement is accomplished to existing facilities. No permit shall be issued for facilities which do not conform to the standard Harbor drawings and the adopted marina siting requirements.

11.05.08. *Registration of structures.* All existing docks, seawalls and bulkheads located within the Harbor and waterways of Destin shall be registered with the City as follows:

- A. The title of record or long-term lessee of all existing structures at the time of adoption of this ordinance shall register such structure with the City within 90 days after adoption of this ordinance.
- B. Each structure shall be re-registered upon any change in ownership or long-term lessee of the abutting upland property.

- C. The City shall be notified upon the expiration of an existing long-term lease by the title of record owner of the upland property.
- D. The City shall be notified by the title of record owner and long-term lessee of the abutting upland property upon the destruction of 50 percent of the replacement value of the structure. The City shall maintain a registration of all docks, seawalls and bulkheads located within the Destin Harbor.

11.05.09. *Exceptions.* Exceptions from the provisions of Section 11.05.01 are as follows:

- A. The Board of Adjustment may approve an exception for docks and pilings to be extended beyond the limits allowed in paragraphs M and N of Section 11.05.01 provided that, in addition to the criteria listed in Section 2.25.03.G, the following criteria is also met:
 - 1. That site-specific environmental conditions would impede placement of slips near or next to the shoreline.
 - 2. That site specific environmental conditions exist that prohibit dredging.
 - 3. That the proposed layout of the dock and pilings does not create a hazard to navigation.
 - 4. That no additional slips are obtained than would otherwise fit into a dock of the maximum size allowed without the exception.

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