

**MINUTES OF THE
HARBOR AND WATERWAYS BOARD MEETING
DESTIN CITY HALL, SEPTEMBER 28, 2020 - 5:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Trammell called the Destin Harbor and Waterways Board meeting to order at approximately 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 28, 2020 at Destin City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Member Present:

Matt Trammell
Richard Hoey
Guy Tadlock
Bill McKissick
Casey Jones
Quinten Selby

Members Absent

Jim Green

Staff:

Kim Montgomery, Deputy City Clerk
Traci Goodheart, Planner
Lauren Witt, Planning Manager
Steven Bauman, City Attorney

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

➤ **June 22, 2020**

Board member Green moved to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2020 minutes as corrected with Board member Jones providing the second; the motion passes with a 6-0 vote.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

5. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Marina Siting Proposed Amendments

Mrs. Goodhart explained the changes that were made to Amendment Article 11.05.01 included new commercial docks, marinas, and upland cuts, as well as proposed single family projects over one thousand square feet would be required to first come before the Harbor Board for review and recommendation to City Council.

In addition, staff added language that requires commercial marine businesses who operate or rent passenger marine vessels located in South Harbor Mixed Use or Calhoun Mixed Use Village Zones, must also provide docking facilities, whether privately owned or registered at the time of application. Adding that this was to establish criteria for City Council to approve or deny marina's or commercial docking facilities based upon three criteria: either land use compatibility, mitigation techniques, infrastructure, or hazardous waste.

Number three was to amend Article 11.05.01(J), and this tool is to include additional requirements to the applications personnel requirements. To include a boundary survey with the location of the mean high water line, and the linear feet of waterfront.

In addition to accurate measurements for depth and width in several locations to include the linear feet and total square footage of the proposed project, the boathouse height, if applicable, the identification of environmentally sensitive areas, if applicable. In addition to the riparian setbacks, which are established 25-feet from the adjacent property lines and established riparian lines.

Number four, amend Article 11.06.05, was to include provisions for reviewing upland structures. Currently, the LDC is silent for those, and the requirements would be to adhere to the 7.5 foot side setback requirement for those types of upland cuts and located on Holiday Isle.

Number five amend Article 11.05.05(W), and this was essentially to re-iterate the abutter notifications to make sure that the written notification shall be provided to adjacent property owners of the proposed marine construction projects which states that at any time, we receive an application for a marine construction project, the adjacent property owners will be notified. Not only when they go to the Harbor Board, but anytime staff receives any type of application for marine construction projects.

Board member Green moved the Harbor and Waterways Board recommends City Council approval of proposed amendments to Article 11 of the Land Development Code as outlined with Board member Jones providing the second.

Prior to the vote, the following discussions took place:

In 11.05.00, the Chairman spoke of how in past discussions how they wanted to avoid the boilerplate approvals. And although he spoke of how most of that was captured in the first amendment of 11.05.01. He did want to make sure that, should there be a project that didn't hit the 25 foot riparian offset, or there was a letter of concern from an adjacent property owner, or some other instances, that would trip the requirement to come before the Board. So, ideally, if it were a residential dock that may have one or more of those other issues they would be brought to the Harbor Waterways Board.

Committee member Tadlock asked to look at 11.05.01(S) where it states that no dock or vessel shall be placed within the 25-foot setback of property lines without providing written notification. And how it eludes that any objections received by adjoining property owners would be brought to the Harbor and Waterways Board with a recommendation to City Council. And asked for assurance that any objections to any permits they review, that do not meet the over 1,000 square foot threshold, would be brought before them to discuss and make a recommendation to Council. Mrs. Goodhart assured him that would be the case.

6. MEMBER COMMENTS:

Board member Jones – Thanked staff for all their hard work and how he appreciates it.

Chairman Trammell - Thanked staff for their hard work and dedication.

Board member Green – Agreed as well and thanked staff for their work.

Board member McKissick – Thanked staff and spoke of the accidents that continue to take place on and around the harbor. He spoke of how there needs to be regulations put in place for required boater operational classes prior to pontoon and water related vessel rentals.

Board member Tadlock – Also thanked staff for their hard work.

Board member Selby- Thanked staff as well.

7. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. Zunguze reminded the member to use their city issued email accounts for all correspondence regarding this board.

Chairman Trammell asked the status of the Harbor Capacity Study and how much the city was responsible. According to Mr. Zunguze, the study of course is currently delayed because of Covid but a draft set of questions are being reviewed by the Army Corps and being sent to Treasury, the Office of Management and Budget. Explaining that is the process it has to initially be approved for funding. And then, it will be brought back to be shared with the committees, including the Harbor Capacity Committee. So currently, staff is waiting for the feedback from the Federal Government. Adding that the City has committed \$200k towards the cost with the Federal Government committing to the same amount.

Additionally, Mr. Zunguze informed the members that they would have their Sunshine Law/Public Records Update on their next meeting agenda.

8. **MEETING DATES: October 26, 2020, if necessary.**

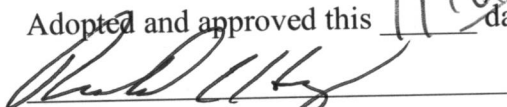
ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

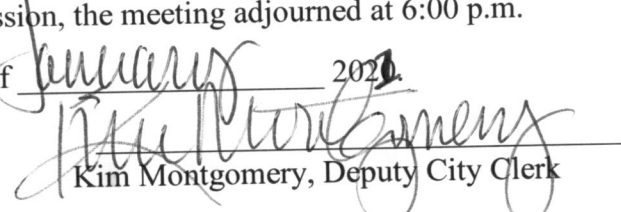
Adopted and approved this

11th day of

January 2021


Matt Trammell, Chairman

Richard Hoey


Kim Montgomery, Deputy City Clerk