

## Keri O'Brien

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**From:** Jordan Mannix-Lachner  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 31, 2022 9:05 AM  
**To:** Keri O'Brien  
**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] RE: [EXTERNAL] Weed Barrier

Hi Keri,

Can you add the gentleman's comments below as public comments for the 1405 Duval MDP for the 9/20 City Commission?

Thank you!

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Glety's,

Yes please do so. In addition I received a card as adjoining property owner saying that I can request a public hearing. Is that hearing a separate hearing from the hearing before the City Commission? If so I hereby request such a hearing. The end of the 490' weed barrier is about 20'-30' feet from where seaweed naturally enters my property. The filings of the applicant say that the barrier is designed at an angle for the purpose of moving the seaweed to the west/southwest and exit into the abutting shoreline. That's me! The prevailing wind comes from the east/southeast toward my home. The applicant states that gas from the

decomposing is foul smelling and injurious to the health. The plan places those ill effects on my property. My family would be exposed and so would the neighbors to the west of me. The applicant has a legal duty under his lease with the city to remove the upland seaweed from the leased premises. Under the lease terms the City has the obligation to remove the seaweed from the water and the adjoining restaurant has a lease with the City and is required to keep the beach clean of seaweed. The solution is not to transfer 490' of seaweed to neighbors but to fulfill their legal obligations and to remove it so that it causes harm to no one.

Please forward this message to other federal and state agencies applicable to this issue and cc me. If not please provide the names of the appropriate contacts and their contact information.


This will serve as a Freedom of Information request for all documents received by your office relating to this project.

Thank you  
Hugh

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Good morning,

Below is the contact info for the individual from the Army Corps who is reviewing their permit request - Permit Application No. SAJ-2020-01959-(SP-GGM). Do you want us to include your email as a public comment on the City Commission agenda?

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Thank you!

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Ms. Halloran,

As adjoining property owner to 1400 Duval I will be adversely impacted by the proposed 490' weed barrier. I am interested in coordinating with the applicable federal agencies. Please forward the contact names and their contact information to the undersigned.

In addition please consider the effect of hurricanes and to swimmers at South Beach. Snorkelers are going to have to try and swim under the barrier to snorkel in the seagrass beyond. It can be expected that some snorkelers are tourist that will be drinking. Re-call that one dove off of the pier a several years ago and broke his neck. He is permanently paralyzed from the neck down. A lawsuit ensued. The ones responsible for creating the dangerous condition were held accountable. As a result warning signs were placed on the pier. Warning signs for this type of dangerous condition are not going to absolve those accountable.

If you respond please cc Amber.

Thank you.

Hugh Morgan

