January 5, 2021

Key West, FL 33040

Ms. Adriana Cabrera
Department of the Army Jacksonville District Corps of Engineers
Miami Regulatory Office
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Dear Ms. Cabrera:

NOAA Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary (FKNMS or sanctuary) has reviewed Department of the Army Corps of Engineers (DA Corps) application no. 1999-05418 (SP-AMC). The applicant, City of Key West c/o Karen Olson, is requesting a permit to install (19) 4' x 10' finger pier extensions and relocate (19) existing pier pilings at the Tarpon Pier at the City Marina at Garrison Bight located at 1801 North Roosevelt Boulevard, Key West, Monroe County, FL. The proposed activity is prohibited by FKNMS regulations at 15 CFR §922.163(a)(3).

NOAA has reviewed the project described in the DA Corps application and determined that the proposed project will have a negligible impact on sanctuary resources. Therefore, pursuant to 15 CFR § 922.49, NOAA does not object to the issuance of a DA Corps permit for the project as proposed, and a separate FKNMS permit will not be required.

This determination is only applicable to DA Corps application no. 1999-05418 (SP-AMC), including all project plans and methods detailed in that application and any additional information submitted or follow-up correspondence between the applicant and NOAA FKNMS. If any changes are made to the project description or methods deviate from those provided to NOAA FKNMS, in the application, the applicant shall notify NOAA and this letter of authorization will be rescinded. Upon such notification, NOAA shall re-review the project and special conditions and provide a supplementary determination. Further information on sanctuary permit review and authorization is set forth at 15 CFR § 922.49.

This project has been assigned authorization #FKNMS-2021-003. Please contact FKNMS Enforcement Coordinator Steve Werndli at Stephen.Werndli@noaa.gov if you have questions about NOAA's determination on this project. Thank you for your continued cooperation with the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary.

Sincerely,

Sarah Fangman Superintendent

cc: Phil Frank, Terramar Environmental Services