



THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TO: Patti McLaughlin, City Manager

CC: Todd Stoughton, Assistant City Manger

FROM: Steve McAlearney, Director Port & Marine Services

DATE: August 16, 2022

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and City of Key West for parking lot use at the City Marina at Garrison Bight

ACTION STATEMENT

Approving the MOA allowing the City to park on an FWC owned parcel at Garrison Bight.

BACKGROUND

The FWC owns an approximately 0.28-acre parcel of property at the corner of North Roosevelt and Palm Ave (see diagram in attachments). The City has utilized the space for truck and boat trailer parking since the early 1970's. When the City designed the new dockmaster building, coordination with FWC was required as some of the parking lot modifications occurred on FWC property. At the time, FWC expressed a desire that at some point they would like to use the property to construct a small office for their officers. Construction on the FWC portion would severely limit the City's ability to offer truck and boat trailer parking for the public boat ramp. The City approached FWC and offered to provide office space in the new dockmaster building and two boat slips for FWC vessels in exchange for FWC not building on their property and continuing to allow the City to use it for parking. A companion MOA is also being routed allowing the FWC to use office space and marina slips at Garrison Bight.

Financial Issues

Approval of the MOA will allow the City to continue to collect approximately \$40,000 in parking revenues for trailer parking on the FWC parcel. Not collecting rent on the two slips cost the marina about \$15,000 per year, however, having FWC officers and vessels visible and active in the marina is desirable for marina security. The City will be required to clear future parking rate increases with FWC.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approving the MOA between the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and City of Key West allowing the City to park on FWC property at Garrison Bight.

Key to the Caribbean – Average yearly temperature 77° F.

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