Proposed Dock Ordinance

**Boat slips/ramps, docks, boat houses and fishing piers.** These uses are permitted and shall meet the following requirements:

1. All construction shall conform to the requirements of the Standard Building Code and City building regulations. Floating docks which are attached to shore or to a fixed dock are allowed and encouraged.

2. Other authorizations or permits for dock construction may be required from other local, state, or federal agencies including but not limited to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the Southwest Florida Water Management District, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, or the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission.

3. All marine structures constructed for use by a single-family residential property owner shall conform to the following regulations:
   a. The maximum distance that a dock, pier or boathouse may extend shall be two hundred (200) feet from the Ordinary High Water Line elevation established by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection at 120.0 feet NGVD 1929.
   b. Docks, piers and boathouses shall be constructed within the center one-third (1/3) of the waterfront lot.
   c. The main access pier from the shore to the dock, terminus, platform area or boathouse shall not exceed six (6) feet in width. Handrails shall be provided on at least one (1) side of any part of a dock or pier which is two (2) feet or less in width.
   d. All docks and piers shall be constructed so as to be visible to marine traffic in times of high water by being equipped with a device or structure which is clearly visible at least six (6) feet above the water's surface at all times (e.g., orange flag, reflectors). Such device or structure shall be installed at the lakeward end of the structure and elsewhere along the structure, spaced no further than twenty-five (25) feet apart.
   e. The surface area of all marine structures may not exceed a total of two thousand (2,000) square feet which includes the main access pier, platforms and roof area as measured along a horizontal plane.
   f. The sides of any structure shall remain open except that see-through screening material or boat protection curtain shall be permitted. The vertical distance between the lowest roof elevation and the deck elevation shall not exceed ten (10) feet.
   g. No more than two (2) motorized watercraft over 12 feet in length may be moored at any such structure.
   h. Living quarters and other non-water dependent structures are prohibited.