

DECISION PAPER



4-11-16

Issue: Staff would like board approval of the recommended operational changes to the Beach Club boat ramp operations.

Background: Over the past several months staff and the board have been discussing concerns regarding the boat ramp operations at the beach club marina. After significant member feedback via an online survey and a town hall meeting, at the March meeting staff presented the board with 14 concepts to be implemented this upcoming season of which staff was directed to proceed with 13 (the launching fee recommendation has withheld for future consideration). Staff is seeking official approval to move forward with the recommendations as presented below.

- 1) Require any trailered vessel that uses the launch ramp to be registered with the association.
- 2) No launching of trailered vessels alone.
- 3) Add a boat ramp monitor position to the staff team at the beach to monitor the ramp during operating hours at an additional cost to the labor budget for the operation.
- 4) Improve signage communicating the new rules at the entrance to the ramp and the turn around area.
- 5) Add cones to the pedestrian walk way to more clearly segregate this location.
- 6) Clearly identify the boundaries of a launch zone.
- 7) Include a comprehensive pre-rental boat launch script to be provided to each rental customer focusing awareness of surroundings.
- 8) Reintroduce the daily access fee charge to each person in a launching boat.
- 9) Establish a length and draft maximum for launching vessels based on turn radius and water depth at high water.
- 10) Identify a low water level where the ramp is to be closed for safety concerns and mark that level on the ramp.
- 11) Continue the Saturday and Sunday shuttle service to the high school parking lot for overflow parking.
- 12) Hire the services of a parking consultant to review the parking area for efficiency.
- 13) Add a boat ramp dock to the capital projects review process for future consideration.

Recommendations:

Staff is seeking board approval of these recommendations as developed through the previous two board meetings and presented above.

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Board Meeting Date: 4-22-16

General Manager Approval to Place on the Agenda: _____