

Page 1 CITY OF CORAL GABLES BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT CORAL GABLES CITY HALL 405 BILTMORE WAY, COMMISSION CHAMBERS CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2019, COMMENCING AT 8:10 A.M. Board Members Present: Maria D. Garcia, Acting Chairperson Jorge Otero Eugenio Lage Gema Pinon Jack Thomson City Staff and Consultants: Ramon Trias, Planning Director Stephanie M. Throckmorton, Assistant City Attorney Arceli Redila, Principal Planner ALSO PARTICIPATING: Oscar Hidalgo Arthur Finkle Glen Larson, Dock and Marine Construction BA-19-07-5225 (430 Costanera Road)	Page 2 1 THEREUPON: 2 (The following proceedings were held.) 3 MS. GARCIA: Good morning, everyone. Thank 4 you for being here early on a Monday. We're 5 going to start this morning a little bit 6 different. First we're going to take roll 7 call, and then we have a quick presentation. 8 If we can go ahead and do that. 9 MS. REDILA: Mr. Lage? 10 MR. LAGE: Present. 11 MS. REDILA: Mr. Otero? 12 MR. OTERO: Present. 13 MS. REDILA: Ms. Pinon? 14 MS. PINON: Present. 15 MS. REDILA: Mr. Sotello? 16 Mr. Thomson? 17 MR. THOMSON: Present. 18 MS. REDILA: Ms. Garcia? 19 MS. GARCIA: Present. 20 MS. REDILA: Mr. Sotelo sent an e-mail that 21 he will be out of the country. 22 MS. GARCIA: Do we have a motion to have 23 him be excused today? 24 MR. OTERO: So moved. 25 MR. LAGE: Second.
Page 3 1 MS. GARCIA: All in favor? 2 MR. OTERO: Aye. 3 MR. LAGE: Aye. 4 MS. PINON: Aye. 5 MR. THOMSON: Aye. 6 MS. GARCIA: Aye. The motion passes. 7 Now we're going to start the agenda with a 8 special presentation to someone who has been on 9 the Board of Adjustments for many years, eight 10 years, and he is our Chair of the Board, and he 11 will be termed out and moving on to other 12 things. 13 So we wanted to just take a moment to thank 14 him for all of his service to the City and to 15 this Board and also present him with a very 16 quick little gift for all of his time with us 17 and we truly appreciate you and we're going to 18 miss you, and, you know, hope to see where 19 things go next. 20 So a presentation here for Oscar Hidalgo, 21 our Chair. 22 MR. HIDALGO: Thank you. Thank you guys. 23 Thank you guys for your support. 24 MS. GARCIA: Thank you, again, Mr. Hidalgo 25 for all of your service.	Page 4 1 MR. HIDALGO: Thank you. 2 MS. GARCIA: So going right into the 3 agenda, again, good morning, everybody. The 4 Board of Adjustment is comprised of seven 5 members. Four Members of the Board shall 6 constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of 7 four Members of the Board present shall be 8 necessary to authorize or deny a variance or 9 grant an appeal. A tie vote shall result in 10 the automatic continuance of the matter to the 11 next meeting, which shall be continued until a 12 majority vote is achieved. If only four 13 Members of the Board are present, an applicant 14 shall be entitled to a postponement to the next 15 regularly scheduled meeting of the Board. 16 Any person who acts as a lobbyist pursuant 17 to the City of Coral Gables Ordinance Number 18 2006-11 must register with the City Clerk prior 19 to engaging in lobbying activities or 20 presentations before City Staff, Boards, 21 Committees and/or the City Commission. A copy 22 of the ordinance is available in the Office of 23 the City Clerk. Failure to register and 24 provide proof of registration shall prohibit 25 your ability to present to the Board.

Page 5 1 I now officially call the City of Coral 2 Gables Board of Adjustment meeting of August 3 5th to order. The time is 8:10. 4 Please be advised that this Board is a 5 quasi-judicial board and the items on the 6 agenda are quasi-judicial in nature, which 7 requires Board Members to disclose all ex parte 8 communications and site visits. An ex parte 9 communication is defined as any contact, 10 communication, conversation, correspondence, 11 memorandum or other written or verbal 12 communication that takes place outside a public 13 hearing between a member of the public and a 14 member of a quasi-judicial board regarding 15 matters to be heard by the board. 16 If anyone made any contact with a Board 17 Member regarding an issue before the Board, the 18 Board member must state on the record the 19 existence of the ex parte communication and the 20 party who originated the communication. Also, 21 if a Board Member conducted a site visit 22 specifically related to the case before the 23 Board, the Board Member must also disclose such 24 visit. In either case, the Board Member must 25 state on the record whether the ex parte	Page 6 1 communication and/or site visit will affect the 2 Board Member's ability to impartially consider 3 the evidence presented regarding the matter. 4 Board Members should also state that his or her 5 decision will be based on substantial competent 6 evidence and testimony presented on the record 7 today. 8 Does any member of the Board have any such 9 communication and/or site visit to disclose at 10 this time? 11 Okay. Thank you. 12 Everyone who speaks today must complete the 13 roster on the podium. We ask that you print 14 clearly so the official record of your name and 15 address will be correct. 16 Now, with the exception of attorneys, all 17 persons who will speak on agenda items before 18 us this morning, please rise to be sworn in. 19 (Thereupon, the participant was sworn.) 20 MS. GARCIA: In deference to those present, 21 we ask that all cell phones, pagers or other 22 electronic devices be turned off at this time. 23 Now we will proceed with the agenda. Thank 24 you. 25 MS. REDILA: Madam Chair --
Page 7 1 MS. GARCIA: Yes. 2 MS. REDILA: We have to do the minutes, as 3 well. 4 MS. GARCIA: Thank you. 5 Before we continue, let's approve the 6 minutes. Those are attached to everybody's 7 packet on the Board. If you can take a moment 8 to review those and if there any comments state 9 those now. 10 Do we have a motion to pass the minutes, to 11 approve the minutes? 12 MS. PINON: So moved. 13 MS. GARCIA: Second? 14 MR. OTERO: Second. 15 MS. GARCIA: All in favor? 16 MS. GARCIA: Aye. 17 MR. LAGE: Aye. 18 MS. PINON: Aye. 19 MR. THOMSON: Aye. 20 MS. GARCIA: Thank you. Motion passes. 21 We'll go ahead now and then jump into our first 22 item. 23 Welcome. 24 MS. REDILA: Good morning, Madam Chair, 25 Members of the Board. For the record, Arceli	Page 8 1 Redila from Planning. 2 So the item before you today is 3 BA-19-07-5225. The applicant is Glen Larson of 4 Dock & Marine Construction, on behalf property 5 owner, Lasure Miami, LLC, is requesting two 6 variances for an existing Single-Family home 7 located at 430 Costanera Road. 8 The two variance requests is a variance to 9 allow a boat lift to extend 33 feet and five 10 inches where 25 feet is the maximum allowed. 11 Second variance is to allow a floating vessel 12 platform to extend 30 feet and seven inches 13 where 25 is the maximum allowed. 14 Now, the subject property is located within 15 the Cocoplum Section. Here's an aerial view. 16 There is an existing Single-Family home with a 17 dock. The existing dock is within the required 18 setbacks. It will be replaced in the same 19 footprint. 20 Now, what will be added is the boat lift 21 and the floating vessel platform, but because 22 of the dense mangrove trees along the banks and 23 the water depth, the access to the dock is 24 difficult. So the applicant has preliminary 25 approval from DERM, and this was also approved

Page 9 1 by the Board of Architects on June 5. 2 So there's an existing dock. This is the 3 site plan, the existing dock, adding a boat 4 lift and a platform. This is a zoom in of the 5 property. The boat lift is the one highlighted 6 in yellow and the platform is the one 7 highlighted in green. 8 These are the surrounding properties, and 9 as you can see, in this area, the canal is 10 wide. It's just the access to the property 11 itself, and the property is also located in a 12 unique situation here. 13 So Staff is recommending approval. The 14 representative of the applicant is here, if you 15 have any questions. 16 MR. OTERO: I have a question for the City. 17 Would you go back and put that overhead view 18 again of the dock and the platform? 19 MS. REDILA: This one? 20 MR. OTERO: When you say the dock is on the 21 same footprint, but yet a variance is 22 requested, so is the footprint extended? Is 23 that what we're talking about? 24 MS. REDILA: The variance request for now 25 is for the boat lift that will added. The	Page 10 1 yellow, the highlighted in yellow, that's the 2 boat lift. Highlighted in green, that's the 3 floating vessel platform. Those are the two 4 requests. 5 The dock remains. It will be replaced and 6 it's in the same footprint as it was before. 7 MS. PINON: Can you show, on the other 8 slide, the one that has the actual overhead of 9 the configuration of the boat area, where that 10 will be? That one. 11 MS. REDILA: Okay. 12 MS. PINON: So it's that little green 13 circle? 14 MS. REDILA: Yes. 15 And then you can see, also, right here, on 16 the plat. So the highlighted in yellow is the 17 subject property. 18 Right now there's already a dock. 19 MR. OTERO: It extends the same way as the 20 300-foot line is? 21 MS. REDILA: Yes. I mean, that's the width 22 of the canal. That's to show that there is -- 23 MR. OTERO: I'm trying to picture where it 24 extends. It's that way? 25 MS. REDILA: Yes. Yes. Into that way, not
Page 11 1 to the side. 2 MR. OTERO: That's clear for the record, 3 "That way." 4 MS. REDILA: Pointing towards Los Pinos 5 Circle, into that side. 6 So, Mr. Larson -- 7 MR. LARSON: Good morning, ladies and 8 gentlemen. Glen Larson, Dock & Marine 9 Construction, 752 Northeast 79th Street. 10 The existing dock is previously permitted, 11 so we're not asking to change the size or 12 configuration of the existing dock. The boat 13 lift is going to go where the owner currently 14 parks his boat. So we're not really creating 15 any obstruction, maybe two feet past the beam 16 of the boat. The floating vessel platform was 17 installed illegally many, many years ago, 18 possibly before he owned the house, I believe, 19 and DERM has no problem with the location, as 20 long as nothing is moved towards the mangroves 21 or toward the shallow water at the beginning of 22 the walkway dock. 23 And I couldn't do much better a 24 presentation than -- 25 MS. GARCIA: Do we have any other	Page 12 1 questions? 2 MR. OTERO: And the reason it's there and 3 not closer in is because of the mangroves? 4 MR. LARSON: The dock was previously 5 permitted and we can't put anything on the 6 inside of the dock because of the mangroves and 7 the water depth, and we couldn't put the 8 floating further towards the right, because 9 there's no water depth over there. 10 MS. PINON: I have a question. That has no 11 effect on the canal that's labeled Arroyo, 12 which is on the other side? 13 MR. LARSON: That won't have any effect on 14 navigation. If you look on the left side, 15 where it says, "Property line, mean high water 16 line," that the edge of the canal and the 17 mangroves along that side of the canal stick 18 out 30 feet into the canal. So it won't affect 19 any kind of navigation. 20 The floating dock, there's been an illegal 21 floating dock there for many, many years. 22 MR. LAGE: So I have a question on the 23 floating dock. How big of a boat can you put 24 there? 25 MR. LARSON: The floating dock will just be

Page 13 1 for like a little Zodiac, which is a 12-foot or 2 possibly -- I don't think a jet ski, but I 3 believe it's for a Zodiac, which is there, and 4 access with paddle boards. It's small vessels. 5 MR. LAGE: Would it be inside the platform? 6 MR. LARSON: Yeah, it would be on the 7 inside of the platform. 8 MR. LAGE: And then you'd raise -- 9 MR. LARSON: On top of it, correct. 10 MS. GARCIA: Do you have any other 11 questions before we move to a vote? 12 Do we have a motion? 13 Any objections? 14 MR. FINKLE: I'd like to say something. 15 MS. GARCIA: Oh, yes. Please come ahead. 16 Could we have you sworn in. 17 (Thereupon, the participant was sworn.) 18 MR. FINKLE: My name is Arthur Finkle. I'm 19 a resident of Coral Gables, 315 Casuarina 20 Concourse. So I'm basically on the other side 21 of the canal from this resident, a little bit 22 east, a few hundred yards away. 23 I built my house 35 years ago, and, 24 actually, about five years ago I had to redo my 25 dock, and I didn't impose upon my neighbors to	Page 14 1 take up more of the canal than I was entitled 2 to. 3 And I think, once you start allowing things 4 like this, then what about the guy next door? 5 He's going to want to take another eight feet 6 of the canal. And I think you just open up the 7 Pandora's box of potential problems. 8 This canal is quite narrow. It's getting 9 narrower because of the intrusion of -- 10 whatever, it's getting shallower, and I'm just 11 concerned that once you allow this gentleman to 12 do it, then his neighbor is going to want to do 13 it, and every house on the block, and then the 14 people on my side on the canal are going to 15 want to do it, and where do you stop? 16 So that's my concern, and I think the Board 17 should take that into consideration when you 18 allow for things like this to go on. 19 MS. GARCIA: Sir, I have a question. Which 20 part of the project do you specifically have an 21 issue with? Is it the boat lift and the dock 22 and the platform? Which part -- 23 MR. FINKLE: Well, you know, I'm sort of 24 concerned about any movement that allows 25 someone to take more of the canal or water than
Page 15 1 everybody else does, because, again, once you 2 allow one person to do it, what about if his 3 next door neighbor wants to do it, and the next 4 person? So that's my concern. 5 And, again, I think this gentleman has a 6 pretty large dock as it is, and I'm not quite 7 sure of the -- this is not a hardship. This is 8 not a hardship situation, okay. 9 MS. GARCIA: Do you have any questions? 10 MR. OTERO: I do. 11 Would the City put up again the map for the 12 location? I'd like to know where Mr. Finkle -- 13 where you reside, sir. 14 MR. FINKLE: Right there. Here is my house 15 right there. 16 MS. PINON: That was my question about the 17 Arroyo one. 18 MR. OTERO: So the canal that goes, from 19 what I can tell, east-west, the narrow one, my 20 understanding is that none of the additional 21 platform or boat lift encroach on that canal. 22 I think they go -- I'm looking at it, and they 23 go left. I hope that's west. 24 MR. FINKLE: According to the schematic I 25 saw, the boat platform, I think it is, does	Page 16 1 come and take up part of this canal. 2 MR. OTERO: You bring up two points. One 3 is the specific point as to infringing on that 4 canal, and the second is a more philosophical 5 point of how do we define a hardship. That's 6 the way I understand your comment. 7 I would like to look at the first one first 8 and get clarity for the Board and an answer to 9 your question as to whether it goes south. 10 MR. THROCKMORTON: Mr. Larson, some of 11 these images have it labeled as intervenor to 12 the turning mason. 13 MR. LARSON: I don't know if you have the 14 plan view in front of you, but the dock -- this 15 image actually has the illegal existing boat 16 floating vessel platform in it, and you can see 17 that it stops easily 30 feet before the 18 mangroves. Nothing protrudes into the canal, 19 not even past the shoreline. 20 The right-of-way line is not affected at 21 all. 22 MR. OTERO: Okay. What's the need for the 23 platform? Is that an additional goodie for the 24 owner? 25 MR. LARSON: Currently it has a kayak on

Page 17 1 it. I believe that he has a little, small 2 vessel. It's becoming pretty popular during 3 manatee season to paddle around or go around 4 with like a trolling boat in the area. 5 I believe it was like four years ago, the 6 Code used to say, no floating vessel platform 7 anywhere. They're legal in every canal or 8 waterway in the Gables except for the Mahi 9 waterway, because paddle boarding, kayaking, 10 small little vessels to observe the manatees is 11 becoming quite popular. So that his intention 12 was to be able to have a small vessel for his 13 grandkids. 14 MR. OTERO: So just so I understand, 15 platforms are legal. 16 MR. LARSON: Floating vessel platforms are 17 legal everywhere except in the Mahi canal. 18 MR. OTERO: And what we're asking here is 19 to identify the location -- 20 MR. LARSON: Correct. 21 MR. OTERO: -- approve the location, 22 because of mangroves? 23 MR. LARSON: Correct. 24 MR. OTERO: Am I right? 25 MR. LARSON: Correct.	Page 18 1 MR. OTERO: Okay. I want to make sure that 2 we address Mr. Finkle's question as to the 3 hardship. 4 In the Board's opinion, and we haven't 5 voted yet, in the past these have been 6 approved, not platforms, but boat lifts, due to 7 the existence of mangroves. 8 Whether they existed twenty years ago, I 9 have no clue, sir, but that's -- I don't know 10 if that answers your question. 11 MR. FINKLE: Somewhat, but -- by the way, 12 many years ago, okay, I think the same house 13 did apply for a variance to build their dock 14 and it was a hardship, and, actually, a couple 15 of neighbors went -- we didn't object, because 16 of the mangroves, that they had to come out 17 further than the normal amount. I'm not sure 18 if it's this house or the one next to it, okay, 19 I don't recall, but I know it was in this same 20 area, on the same street, and it was a 21 hardship, because, again, of the mangroves and 22 the dock had to come out a little further than 23 everybody else, and actually nobody objected. 24 This is not a hardship. Anyway -- 25 MR. LAGE: Through the Chair, can we have
Page 19 1 an explanation from the City on how they 2 reached the conclusion of approval and a 3 hardship, please? 4 MS. GARCIA: Yes, can the City describe 5 that? 6 MS. REDILA: I believe the applicant can 7 explain that. Through the process of DERM. 8 MR. LARSON: So the hardship that Mr. 9 Finkle was discussing, Miami-Dade County DERM 10 has two items that they protect with an iron 11 sword, the mangroves and the water depth. So 12 you're not allowed to have any kind of dock, 13 slip, a boat slip, with access to the water, if 14 there's less than four feet of water, and 15 you're not allowed to have any kind of 16 structure that would cause damage to, future 17 damage to or unnecessary disturbance to the 18 mangroves. 19 So this dock did not require a variance to 20 get it. I believe it was the neighbor to the 21 north. The hardships that most of the 22 applicants have here is that, just because of 23 the nature of Cocoplum or the design of the 24 canal system having looped into the very narrow 25 waterways, that some neighbors can have items,	Page 20 1 luxury items, a boat lift and floating vessel 2 platform with no variance, and some neighbors, 3 even with a variance request, cannot have them. 4 I know you guys see several variances for 5 boat lifts. Coming up, there's one by another 6 consulting agency coming up, if it hasn't been 7 seen yet, that I would agree with Mr. Finkle, 8 it's a hardship for the owner. You've got an 9 existing dock and a boat lift, it's going to 10 encroach in the waterway and make it difficult, 11 and I run the equipment that goes in these 12 waterways, and we need room to get through. 13 The fear on Mr. Finkle would be that if you 14 build something, it's going to affect the 15 neighbors. This case will not affect the 16 neighbors, but there are often cases where 17 adding a boat lift will trap the neighbor's 18 vessel on his property, where he can't have 19 access to his own property. That's not the 20 case here. 21 MR. THOMSON: You have 300 feet in the 22 turning basin to operate the vessel. So this 23 is not hindering the operation of this vessel 24 in that area. 25 MR. LARSON: No, this won't hinder any

Page 21 1 vessels at all. 2 MS. REDILA: Also, if I may add, in the 3 Staff's analysis, there's two frontages on this 4 property, on the south side and on the western 5 side, and the proposed location of the dock and 6 the platform is on that side, on the western 7 side, where it's wider, and not on the southern 8 side. 9 MS. GARCIA: Do we have any additional 10 questions for our speakers today? 11 MS. PINON: I have a question for the City. 12 When we come up with this floating water craft 13 maximum of 25 feet, what's the origin of that, 14 and, you know, are we going to ever have like 15 some cap on it, where it's going to be the 16 maximum amount that can exceed 25 feet, because 17 this goes to Mr. Finkle's questions about, you 18 know, that we're going to have all of these 19 variances and people can just willy-nilly 20 select to have a request for a variance for 21 these boat lifts and there's really no uniform 22 standard? 23 MS. REDILA: Right now, Mr. Pinon, the 24 regulation is 25 feet. If there is any case 25 that the property does not meet it, and the	Page 22 1 property requests a variance, it will be 2 analyzed on a case by case basis, just as this 3 one, where we have to understand the location, 4 as well, is there still much room for it. Even 5 though the maximum is 25 feet, that's why they 6 are here to request for that, but the 7 regulation, as of now, is 25 feet and I could 8 not say as to how far or how much we could 9 allow. 10 MS. THROCKMORTON: Ms. Pinon -- Arceli, 11 perhaps you can explain the minimum navigable 12 width of the canal. So not only is there the 13 provision about 25 feet, which you all have 14 extended in certain cases due to the hardship, 15 but there's also requirements about minimum 16 navigable width, so that you're not impeding 17 the vessels from traveling in the canal. 18 Arceli, is that what that is? 19 MS. REDILA: Yes. And in this case, 20 there's 300 feet wide. 21 MS. THROCKMORTON: You can never impede so 22 that it is less than 75 feet, is my 23 understanding. 24 MS. REDILA: Yes. There's also that 25 requirement of the 75 feet navigable waterway.
Page 23 1 MS. GARCIA: Okay. At this time, do we 2 have any objections or letters of support for 3 this project? 4 Any other comments from the public? 5 Okay. Do we have a motion from our Board? 6 MS. THROCKMORTON: Ms. Garcia, would you 7 please close the public hearing? 8 MS. GARCIA: The public hearing is closed. 9 Thank you. No more comments from the audience. 10 Any motion? 11 MR. OTERO: Yes, I have a motion. I move 12 that the Board of Adjustment grant Application 13 BA 19-07-5225, a request by Glen Larson/Dock 14 and Marine Construction on behalf of he 15 property owner, Lasure Miami, LLC, for 16 variances for a Single-Family home located at 17 430 Costanera Road. 18 (1) To allow a boat lift to extend 33 feet 19 five inches from the mean high water versus 20 watercraft lifts or floating watercraft lifts 21 shall not extend beyond 25 feet from the banks 22 of waterways, pursuant to Appendix A, Section 23 A-23 Cocoplum Section Two and Section 5-805(E) 24 of the Coral Gables Zoning Code. 25 Number 2, to allow a floating vessel	Page 24 1 platform to extend 30 feet and seven inches 2 from the mean high water mark versus watercraft 3 lifts or floating watercraft lifts shall not 4 extend beyond 25 feet from the banks of the 5 waterways, pursuant to Appendix A, Section A-23 6 Cocoplum Section 2 and Section 5-805(E) of the 7 Coral Gables Zoning Code. 8 The motion is based upon the testimony 9 presented, along with the application 10 submitted, and the Staff report, which 11 constitute component (sic) and substantial 12 evidence. 13 I don't know if the last sentence -- the 14 last sentence, "The Board hereby makes findings 15 of fact that each of the standards in Section 16 3-806 of the Zoning Code has been met." 17 MS. GARCIA: We do have a second? 18 MR. THOMSON: Second. 19 MS. GARCIA: All in favor? 20 MR. THOMSON: Let's call the roll. 21 MS. GARCIA: Would you like to take a roll 22 call? 23 MS. REDILA: Okay. 24 Mr. Lage? 25 MR. LAGE: Yes.

Page 25 1 MS. REDILA: Mr. Otero? 2 MR. OTERO: Yes. 3 MS. REDILA: Ms. Pinon? 4 MS. PINON: Yes. 5 MS. REDILA: Mr. Thomson? 6 MR. THOMSON: Yes. 7 MS. REDILA: Ms. Garcia? 8 MS. GARCIA: Yes. 9 Motion passes. 10 Okay. I see here there's two more 11 Discussion Items. We have Nomination of 12 Board-As-A-Whole Member, as well as Election of 13 new Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. 14 Does the City -- do we have any nominations 15 for the Board-As-A-Whole member? I haven't 16 received any information about this before. 17 Would you like to table that until next time? 18 MR. OTERO: Can those be made by e-mail and 19 then addressed next time? 20 MR. TRIAS: Probably the best thing would 21 be to just table it and then be ready the next 22 time to discuss it, but we don't have any 23 recommendations. Staff doesn't do that. And 24 hopefully we can -- 25 MR. OTERO: This is the position by the	Page 26 1 Board? 2 MR. TRIAS: Yes. The board nominates a 3 person and that's a Board designation. 4 MS. GARCIA: Can you describe the procedure 5 for that before our next meeting? 6 MR. TRIAS: It's just a motion, just a 7 regular motion, that you take. Somebody would 8 nominate someone, that there will be a motion 9 and a vote. 10 MS. GARCIA: Okay. As to the election of 11 the New Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, it 12 seems to me that we should table that until we 13 have our new member. 14 MR. TRIAS: That's up to you. You can 15 certainly do that. 16 MS. GARCIA: What would the Board like to 17 do? 18 MS. PINON: I agree with you. 19 MS. GARCIA: Any other comments? 20 MR. OTERO: No. 21 MS. PINON: I think we should give the new 22 Board Member at least the respect to sit in and 23 participate in the meeting for these 24 nominations. 25 MS. GARCIA: Thank you. Let's go with
Page 27 1 that. Let's just table both items so that our 2 new member, he or she could be a part of that 3 decision, as well. 4 MS. THROCKMORTON: Do you guys want to 5 continue to have Ms. Garcia serving as the 6 Acting Chair until such time as a new Chair is 7 elected? 8 MS. PINON: Yes. 9 MR. OTERO: Yes. 10 MR. LAGE: Thank you, everybody, for the 11 vote of confidence. 12 Do we have any other business before 13 adjourning? 14 MS. REDILA: Madam Chair, we have one item 15 in the pipeline for September. Hopefully they 16 can put their things together. You'll have one 17 item in September, and if you guys can come up 18 with the nominations -- 19 MR. OTERO: Relates to boats? 20 MS. GARCIA: We'll read up on that. 21 Okay. Thank you so much everybody for your 22 time this morning. Meeting is adjourned at 23 8:36 a.m. 24 (Thereupon, the meeting was concluded at 25 8:36 a.m.	Page 28 1 C E R T I F I C A T E 2 3 STATE OF FLORIDA: 4 SS. 5 COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE: 6 7 8 9 I, NIEVES SANCHEZ, Court Reporter, and a Notary 10 Public for the State of Florida at Large, do hereby 11 certify that I was authorized to and did 12 stenographically report the foregoing proceedings and 13 that the transcript is a true and complete record of my 14 stenographic notes. 15 16 DATED this 13th day of August, 2019. 17 18 19 20 21 _____ 22 NIEVES SANCHEZ 23 24 25