CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION

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ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT

APPLICANT: City of Long Beach

PROJECT Attach floating dock modules to Pine Avenue Pier to create 300 linear feet of **DESCRIPTION:** additional public docking area in Rainbow Harbor. No new piles will be installed.

LOCATION: 330 S. Pine Avenue (Pine Avenue Pier), City of Long Beach, County of Los Angeles.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DETERMINATION: The findings for this determination, and for any special conditions, appear on subsequent pages.

<u>NOTE</u>: P.R.C. Section 30624 provides that this permit shall not become effective until it is reported to the Commission at its next meeting. If one-third or more of the appointed membership of the Commission so request, the application will be removed from the administrative calendar and set for public hearing at a subsequent Commission meeting. Our office will notify you if such removal occurs.

This permit will be reported to the Commission at the following time and place:

Wednesday, April 11, 2012, 9:00 a.m. Ventura City Hall - Council Chambers 501 Poli Street Ventura, CA 93001

IMPORTANT - Before you may proceed with development, the following must occur:

Pursuant to 14 Cal. Admin. Code Sections 13150(b) and 13158, you must sign the enclosed duplicate copy acknowledging the permit's receipt and accepting its contents, including all conditions, and return it to our office. Following the Commission's meeting, and once we have received the signed acknowledgement and evidence of compliance with all special conditions, we will send you a Notice of Administrative Permit Effectiveness.

BEFORE YOU CAN OBTAIN ANY LOCAL PERMITS AND PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT, YOU MUST HAVE RECEIVED BOTH YOUR ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT AND THE NOTICE OF PERMIT EFFECTIVENESS FROM THIS OFFICE.

CHARLES LESTER Executive Director

By: Charles R. Posner

Title: Coastal Program Analyst

SPECIAL CONDITIONS: See Page Four.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DETERMINATION (continued):

The Executive Director hereby determines that the proposed development is a category of development which, pursuant to PRC Section 30624, qualifies for approval by the Executive Director through the issuance of an Administrative Permit. Subject to Standard and Special Conditions as attached, said development is in conformity with the provisions of Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act of 1976 and will not have any significant impacts on the environment within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act. If located between the nearest public road and the sea, this development is in conformity with the public access and public recreation policies of Chapter 3.

FINDINGS FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DETERMINATION:

A. Project Description

The proposed project, which will encourage increased recreational boating use, involves the creation of approximately three hundred linear feet of public docking area on the eastern side of Pine Avenue Pier in Rainbow Harbor, Downtown Long Beach (Exhibit #2). The City proposes to attach twelve-foot wide pre-fabricated floating dock modules to the side (and end) of the pier. No new piles will be installed, and no bottom disturbance is proposed. Access to the dock will be provided by the existing gangway that provides access to the existing docks on the western side of the pier. New signs will be posted to designate the new dock for public use with a three-hour limit. The dock will also be used for temporary events (e.g., boat shows, races, etc.). The proposed project will not interfere with public access on the pier.

On February 1, 2012, divers from the City of Long Beach Fire Department conducted an eelgrass survey and found no eelgrass near the pier. Eelgrass habitat will not be adversely affected by the proposed project because the project involves no bottom disturbance. Noxious alga (*Caulerpa taxifolia*) has not been observed in the area. The applicant has agreed to implement the recommended best management practices during construction in order to avoid any significant adverse effects on marine resources. Therefore, as proposed and conditioned herein, the development will not have any significant adverse affect on marine resources.

B. Recreation/Marine Resources

The proposed recreational boat dock development is an allowable and encouraged marine related use. No new piles are proposed or permitted. The proposed development has been conditioned to minimize any significant adverse effect the project may have on the environment by avoiding or mitigating impacts upon sensitive marine resources, such as eelgrass. There are no feasible less environmentally damaging alternatives available. As conditioned, the project will not significantly adversely impact eelgrass beds and will not contribute to the dispersal of the invasive aquatic algae, *Caulerpa taxifolia*. Further, as proposed and conditioned, the project, which is to be used solely for recreational boating purposes, conforms with Sections 30224 and 30233 of the Coastal Act.

C. Water Quality

The proposed work will be occurring on or within coastal waters. The storage or placement of construction material, debris, or waste in a location where it could be discharged into coastal waters would result in an adverse effect on the marine environment. To reduce the potential for construction related impacts on water quality, the Commission imposes special conditions requiring, but not limited to, the appropriate storage and handling of construction equipment and materials to minimize the potential of pollutants to enter coastal waters and for the use of on-going best management practices following construction. As conditioned, the Commission finds that the development conforms with Sections 30230 and 30231 of the Coastal Act.

D. Public Access

As conditioned, the proposed development will not have any new adverse impact on public access to the coast or to nearby recreational facilities. Thus, as conditioned, the proposed development conforms with Sections 30210 through 30214, Sections 30220 through 30224, and 30252 of the Coastal Act.

E. Local Coastal Program

A coastal development permit is required from the Commission for the proposed development because it is located within the Commission's area of original jurisdiction. The Commission's standard of review for the proposed development is the Chapter 3 policies of the Coastal Act. The City of Long Beach certified LCP is advisory in nature and may provide guidance. The Commission certified the City of Long Beach LCP on July 22, 1980. As conditioned, the proposed development is consistent with Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act and with the certified LCP for the area.

F. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

As conditioned, there are no feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures available which would substantially lessen any significant adverse effect which the activity may have on the environment. Therefore, the Commission finds that the proposed project, as conditioned to mitigate the identified impacts, is the least environmentally damaging feasible alternative and can be found consistent with the requirements of the Coastal Act to conform to CEQA.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

1. Permit Compliance – Public Dock

The docking facility approved by Coastal Development Permit 5-11-307 is for transient public docking and public recreational boating related uses only. Limited short-term berthing for the loading and unloading of passengers from non-commercial working vessels is also permitted, with the approval of the City of Long Beach Marine Bureau. All development must occur in strict compliance with the proposal as set forth in the application for permit, subject to any special conditions. Any deviation from the approved plans, or any proposed intensification of use of the dock (e.g., use of the dock by commercial tour vessels or private charters) must be submitted for review by the Executive Director to determine whether an amendment to this coastal development permit is required pursuant to the requirements of the Coastal Act and the California Code of Regulations. No change in use or other changes to the approved development shall occur without a Commission amendment to this coastal development permit or a new coastal development permit, unless the Executive Director determines that no amendment or new permit is required.

2. **Public Dock - Signage**

Signs shall be posted on the pier which clearly designate the dock for public use.

3. Construction Responsibilities and Debris Removal

- a) No construction materials, equipment, debris, or waste will be placed or stored where it may be subject to wave, wind, or rain erosion and dispersion.
- b) Any and all construction material shall be removed from the site within ten days of completion of construction and disposed of at an appropriate location.
- c) Machinery or construction materials not essential for project improvements are prohibited at all times in the subtidal or intertidal zones.
- d) Floating booms will be used to contain debris discharged into coastal waters and any debris discharged will be removed as soon as possible but no later than the end of each day.
- e) Divers will recover non-buoyant debris discharged into coastal waters as soon as possible after loss.
- f) At the end of the construction period, the permittee shall inspect the project area and ensure that no debris, trash or construction material has been left on the shore or in the water, and that the project has not created any hazard to navigation.

4. <u>Best Management Practices (BMP) Program</u>

By acceptance of this permit, the applicant agrees that the long-term water-borne berthing of boat(s) in the approved dock and/or boat slip will be managed in a manner that protects water quality pursuant to the implementation of the following BMPs:

- a) Boat Cleaning and Maintenance Measures:
 - 1. In-water top-side and bottom-side boat cleaning shall minimize the discharge of soaps, paints and debris.

- 2. In-the-water hull scraping or any process that occurs under water that results in the removal of paint from boat hulls is prohibited. Only detergents and cleaning components that are designated by the manufacturer as phosphate-free and biodegradable shall be used, and only minimal amounts shall be used.
- 3. The applicant shall minimize the use of detergents and boat cleaning and maintenance products containing ammonia, sodium hypochlorite, chlorinated solvents, petroleum distillates or lye.

b) Solid and Liquid Waste Management Measures:

All trash, recyclables, and hazardous wastes or potential water contaminants, including old gasoline or gasoline with water, absorbent materials, oily rags, lead acid batteries, anti-freeze, waste diesel, kerosene and mineral spirits shall be disposed of in a proper manner and shall not at any time be disposed of in the water or gutter.

c) Petroleum Control Management Measures:

Oil absorbent materials should be examined at least once a year and replaced as necessary. The applicant shall recycle the materials, if possible, or dispose of them in accordance with hazardous waste disposal regulations. The boaters are encouraged to regularly inspect and maintain engines, seals, gaskets, lines and hoses in order to prevent oil and fuel spills. Boaters are also encouraged to use preventive engine maintenance, oil absorbents, bilge pump-out services, or steam cleaning services as much as possible to clean oily bilge areas. Clean and maintain bilges. Do not use detergents while cleaning. The use of soaps that can be discharged by bilge pumps is discouraged.

5. Resource Agencies

The permittee shall comply with all requirements, requests and mitigation measures from the California Department of Fish and Game, Regional Water Quality Control Board, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service with respect to preservation and protection of water quality and marine environment. Any change in the approved project that may be required by the above-stated agencies shall be submitted to the Executive Director in order to determine if the proposed change shall require a permit amendment pursuant to the requirements of the Coastal Act and the California Code of Regulations.

6. **Assumption of Risk**

By acceptance of this permit, the applicant, on behalf of a) itself; b) its successors and assigns and c) any other holder of the possessory interest in the development authorized by this permit, acknowledges and agrees i) that the site may be subject to hazards from waves, storm waves, flooding and erosion; ii) to assume the risks to the applicant and the property that is the subject of this permit of injury and damage from such hazards in connection with this permitted development; iii) to unconditionally waive any claim of damage or liability against the Commission, its officers, agents, and employees for injury or damage from such hazards; iv) to indemnify and hold harmless the Commission, its officers, agents, and employees with respect to the Commission's approval of the project against any and all liability, claims, demands, damages, costs (including costs and fees incurred in defense of such claims), expenses, and amounts paid in

settlement arising from any injury or damage due to such hazards; and v) to agree to include a provision in any subsequent sublease or assignment of the development authorized by this permit requiring the sublessee or assignee to submit a written agreement to the Commission, for the review and approval of the Executive Director, incorporating all of the foregoing restrictions identified in i through v.

STANDARD CONDITIONS:

- 1. <u>Notice of Receipt and Acknowledgment.</u> The permit is not valid and development shall not commence until a copy of the permit, signed by the permittee or authorized agent, acknowledging receipt of the permit and acceptance of the terms and conditions, is returned to the Commission office.
- 2. <u>Expiration.</u> If development has not commenced, the permit will expire two years from the date this permit is reported to the Commission. Development shall be pursued in a diligent manner and completed in a reasonable period of time. Application for extension of the permit must be made prior to the expiration date.
- 3. <u>Interpretation.</u> Any questions of intent or interpretation of any term or condition will be resolved by the Executive Director or the Commission.
- 4. <u>Assignment.</u> The permit may be assigned to any qualified person, provided assignee files with the Commission an affidavit accepting all terms and conditions of the permit.
- 5. <u>Terms and Conditions Run with the Land.</u> These terms and conditions shall be perpetual, and it is the intention of the Commission and the permittee to bind all future owners and possessors of the subject property to the terms and conditions.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PERMIT RECEIPT/ACCEPTANCE OF CONTENTS:

I/We acknowledge that I/we have received a copy of this permit and have accepted its contents including all conditions.	
Applicant's Signature	Date of Signing

City of Long Beach



