

*Norwalk Harbor Management Commission
Application Review Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 22, 2021
6:00 p.m.
Zoom.us Webinar Conference*

1: Open discussion with DPW regarding Eversource's revised plans to re-locate 115 kV transmission cables.

2: 80-84 Seaview Ave. LLC, Norwalk, CT. Pre-submission application: The applicant proposes to retain a 121'± of concrete block wall and associated 110' ± of rip rap along the shoreline of 84 Seaview Ave., add two finger floats to the northern end of the dock, restore the use of the existing dock back to a commercial marina, and create public access on to the northern portion of the elevated deck on 84 Seaview Ave. The proposal includes conversion of an existing shed on the public access deck in the northwest corner of 80 Seaview Ave to a marina office. Aside from the two finger floats proposed on the existing dock, no physical changes are proposed to the structures.

3. 16 Nearwater Road, Bell Island, Norwalk CT. The Applicants, Spencer and Beth Hempleman, propose to remove an existing boat ramp and install a living shoreline. Accordingly, the boat launch ramp will have its asphalt removed and clean fill and gravel placed over the area. A 6:1 slope will be created toward the waterline and a living shoreline created using plugs of *Spartina alterniflora* and *Spartina patens* above the high tide mark. The existing wooden bulkhead defining the northern and southern sides of the boat ramp and rip rap along the shoreline are being requested to be retained.

4. Rowayton Yacht Club, COP, 77 Bluff Avenue, Norwalk CT. The Applicant requests a renewal of the mooring field as described in COP #201106464-SJ. The mooring field accommodates 125 vessels and are maintained annually by Rowayton Yacht Club. Annual maintenance includes seasonal removal of moorings in accordance with COP #201106464-SJ. The Applicant is requesting modification to Permit Condition #2 which requires "The Certificate Holder shall remove moorings no later than October 31st of any calendar year and shall not install such moorings before April 15th of any calendar year". Specifically, the Applicant would like the ability to leave moorings in the water year-round in areas located outside of shellfish beds. The Applicant will continue to haul and inspect all moorings and tackle as required per the Norwalk Harbor Management Plan. Relief from this condition was discussed with Mr. David Carey, Director of the Bureau of Aquaculture, who was amenable to the Applicant's proposed modification.

Standing Action Items: Open discussion of future Walk Bridge proposals regarding placement of transmission cables by Eversource and DOT, DOT's plans for stationing work barges in Norwalk Harbor; DOT's plans to monitor water quality, and bulkhead construction at proposed South Water Street staging properties.

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