

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA WATERFRONT DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

Date: July 19, 2012
To: Harbor Commissioners
From: Scott Riedman, Waterfront Director
Subject: **Commercial Fishing Berth Lottery**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Harbor Commission Chair draw and rank participants in a Commercial Fishing Slip Lottery for berth 1R028.

BACKGROUND:

Chapter 17.20.005 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code describes requirements for assignment of slip permits in Santa Barbara Harbor, including circumstances and procedures for conducting a Commercial Fishing Slip Lottery. Procedures for conducting a Commercial Fishing Slip Lottery are also described in City Council Resolutions No. 05-018 and No. 11-022.

Craig Barbre has been a sole slip permittee in 1R028, a 60' designated commercial fishing berth, since March 1999. In a letter dated April 25, 2012, Mr. Barbre informed the Waterfront Department of his intent to terminate his interest in 1R028. The termination became effective June 1, 2012. Because there are no designated commercial fishermen remaining on the Department's Slip Waiting List, staff has pursued the process for assigning 1R028 via a Commercial Fishing Slip Lottery.

DISCUSSION:

An application "window" for the Commercial Fishing Slip Lottery opened June 6th and closed at 5:00 p.m. on July 3rd. Opportunity to participate was advertised in *The Log* newspaper, *Santa Barbara News-Press* and *Ventura County Star*, and on the City's website. In addition, public notices announcing the lottery were placed around Santa Barbara Harbor and the availability to participate was announced at the Harbor Commission's June 2012 meeting. A total of nine lottery applications were received (Attachment 7).

Pursuant to provisions described in MC 17.20.005 and City Council Resolutions No. 05-018 and No. 11-0222, staff requests that the Commission Chair draw and rank names of the nine lottery applicants. Staff will then confirm eligibility of the top ranked lottery participants and assign berth 1R028 accordingly.

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Attachments:

1. Craig Barbre slip permit termination letter
2. Commercial Fishing Slip Lottery Participation Request Form
3. Advertisement for lottery applications
4. SBMC 17.20.005 C.5—Commercial Fishing/Aquaculture Slip Assignment
5. City Council Resolution No. 05-018—Procedures for Slip Waiting Lists
6. City Council Resolution No.11-022—Slip Occupancy Policies For Designated Commercial Fishing Slips in Santa Barbara Harbor
7. Lottery Participants

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