

RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH TO FORMULATE A  
NAVIGATION CORRIDOR FROM BUCCANEER LAGOON TO BIG CARLOS  
PASS THROUGH A STATE SUBMERGED LAND EASEMENT  
RESOLUTION NUMBER 02- 22

WHEREAS, the Town of Fort Myers Beach recognizes the importance of identifying a permanent maintainable channel for residents to access Buccaneer Lagoon from Big Carlos Pass; and

WHEREAS, it is the Town's desire to preserve the placement of this historic navigation corridor into a submerged easement to address long term management issues by regulating boats to a designated channel; and

WHEREAS, by creating a designated channel it has the potential to reduce impacts to adjacent natural resources, reduce chronic turbidity, minimize boating conflicts with manatees, and avoid shallow water habitats; and

WHEREAS, the channel will potentially reduce random navigation into shallow areas and promote navigational safety; and

WHEREAS, the benefits to the waterfront residents include maintaining and managing boating access to deeper water from their docks; and

WHEREAS, the channel easement would also allow long term control of the shoaling that occurs in this area and the shoaling also prevents manatees from utilizing Buccaneer Lagoon as a feeding, resting and cavorting site;

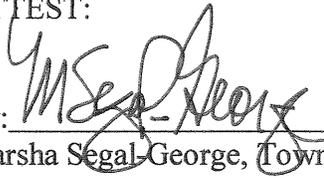
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, 1] that the Town of Fort Myers Beach Town Council is in full support of the request to obtain a submerged land easement from the Department of Environmental Protection, and 2] that this resolution be sent to the Department of Environmental Protection, 2295 Victoria Avenue, Suite 364, Fort Myers, FL 33902.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Fort Myers Beach Town Council upon being put to a vote, the result was as follows:

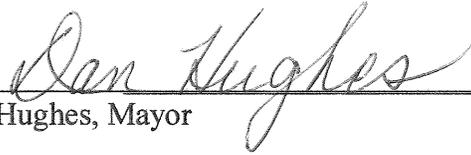
Howard Rynearson	<u>aye</u>
Daniel Hughes	<u>aye</u>
Bill Thomas	<u>aye</u>
W. H. "Bill" Van Duzer	<u>aye</u>
Terry Cain	<u>aye</u>

Adopted this 20 day of May, 2002.

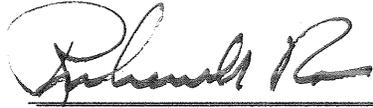
ATTEST:

By:   
Marsha Segal-George, Town Clerk

TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH

By:   
Dan Hughes, Mayor

Approved as to form by:

  
Richard V.S. Roosa, Town Attorney