# CRMC DECISION WORKSHEET 2022-08-081

Riven Rock Inc.

Hearing Date:		
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		APPLICATION INFORMATION		Cnostal		
File Number	Town	Project Location	Category	Special Exception	Variance	
2022-08-081	Jamestown	113 Melrose Avenue Plat 8 Lot 31	$\square$ B $\square$			
Data Assembled	12/13/2023	Owner Name and Address	TX7 1 4	D.1 1/197/		
Date Accepted Date Completed	11/14/2024	Riven Rock Inc. 1 Harbour House	Work at or Below MHW			
Date Completed	11/17/2027	Key Largo, FL 33037	Lease Required			
		PROJECT DESCRIPTION				
	MOD	: construct and maintain a 16,000 poun	d boatlift;		,	
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		KEY PROGRAMMATIC ISSUE	S			
Coastal Feature	<b>:</b>					
Water Type	: Type 2, Low Into	ensity Use				
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Variances and/or	Special Exception 1	Details: NA				
Additional Comr	nents and/or Counci	1 Requirements: NA				
		. 14.4				
Specific Staff Sti	pulations (beyond S	tandard stipulations): NA				
STAFF RECOMMENDATION(S)						
9	Engineer R	AS Recommendation:	No Objectio	n		
	Biologist					
	Other Staff	Recommendation:				

Supervising Biologist Sign-off

date

Staff Sign off on Hearing Packet (Eng/Bio)

date



## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

# COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

# STAFF REPORT TO THE COUNCIL

DATE:

November 14, 2024

TO:

Jeffrey M. Willis, Executive Director

FROM:

Ross Singer

Applicant's Name: Riven Rock Inc. CRMC File Number: Mod 2022-08-081

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Project: | Construct & maintain 16000lb boat lift

Location: 113 Melrose Avenue; Jamestown: Plat(s): 8; Lot(s): 31

Water Type/Name: 2, Narragansett Bay (West Passage)

Coastal Feature: Rocky beach backed by coastal bluff

"Modification to Boat Lift Residential Pier and Boatlift Riven Rock Inc. C/O Betsy

Moody AP 8, Lot 31..." 4 sheets, last revised 11-1-2024, and prepared by Warren

Plans Reviewed:

Hall P.E

#### INTRODUCTION:

The applicant requests a modification to the Assent to construct and maintain a 16,000 lb. boat lift. The proposed design is a Modification of an application for an approved residential boating facility and 7500 lb. boat lift. Construction of the residential boating facility, approved in January 2023, has been completed. A larger 16000 lb. boat lift is proposed to be relocated to the southern side of the pier. The boat lift is proposed to be located within the 25 ft setback from the property line extension and a letter of no objection was received from the affected property owner. No variances are required as part of this application. One objection was received during the public comment period, therefore requiring the application to be heard in front of the full council.

# COMMENTS ON APPLICATION/APPLICABLE POLICIES, STANDARDS & ETC:

1.1.6(G)	Substantive objections.	It is Staff's opinion that the objection does not meet the criteria to
		be defined as substantive
1.2.1(B)	Type 2 Low intensity	Boat lifts are permitted in Type 2 waters
	use.	
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1.2.3	Historic/ Archaeologic Significance	RIHPHC no objection
1.3.1(P)	Boat lift and float systems	Meets all standards. A letter of no objection was received from the abutting property owner acknowledging that the boat lift is within 25 feet of the property line.
1.3.5	Scenic value guidelines	Adjacent to type 2 waters. Boat lift is designed in accordance with the standards listed in 1.3.1(P) as to minimize visual impact

# **COMMENTS ON VARIANCE REQUEST:**

No variance is required.

## **COMMENTS ON OBJECTION:**

One objection was received during the public comment period from a member of the community who does not abut the property. The objection was raised out of concern that the boat lift is large and could block kayaking and paddleboarding along the shore. In addition, the objection states that the large boat lift could affect marine habitat, erosion, and the aesthetic value of the shoreline.

The Applicant provided a response to the objection and has stated that the boat lift would not interfere with kayaking or paddleboarding along the coast. There are several boulders near the shore that would inhibit safe transit in the area. The driving of 12' diameter piles should not have any significant effect on marine habitat or on the sedimentation or erosion process. The location of the boat lift was proposed to be relocated to a higher point on the dock to comply with the gunwale height requirements that state that the height of the gunwale of a vessel may not be lifted higher than the height of the deck of the fixed peir.

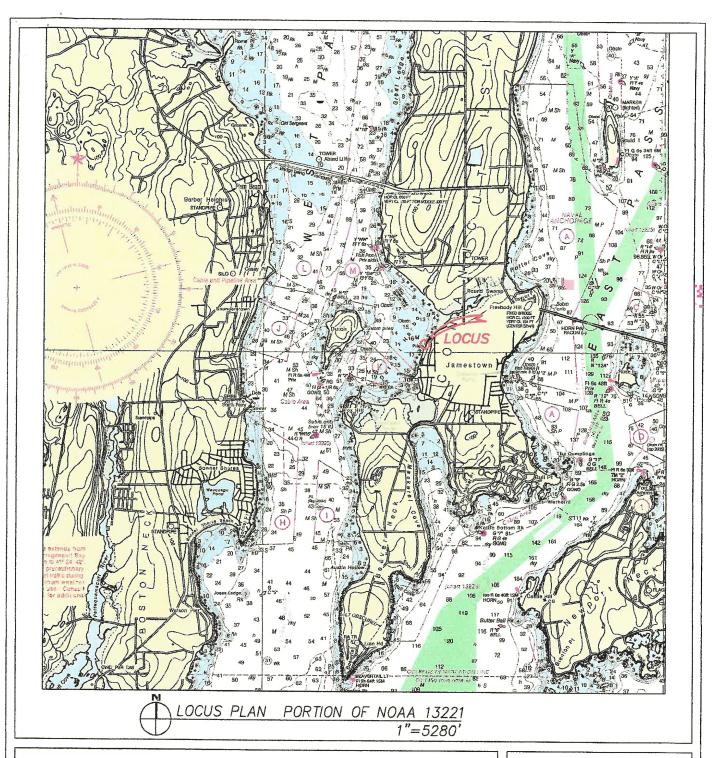
There are other residential boating facilities along this stretch of coastline with attached boat lifts. The proposed boat lift does not extend any farther seaward than the approved residential boating facility.

It is Staff's opinion that that the objection does not meet the criteria to be defined as substantive. The proposed boat lift does not create a threat of direct loss of property, the proposed activity meets the program's policies, prerequisites, and standards, and there is no evidence that the proposed activity has the potential for significant adverse impact to the environment.

## Conclusion/recommendations:

There are no objections to the Council's approval to this modification. Should the Council approve this application, standard stipulations will be applied.

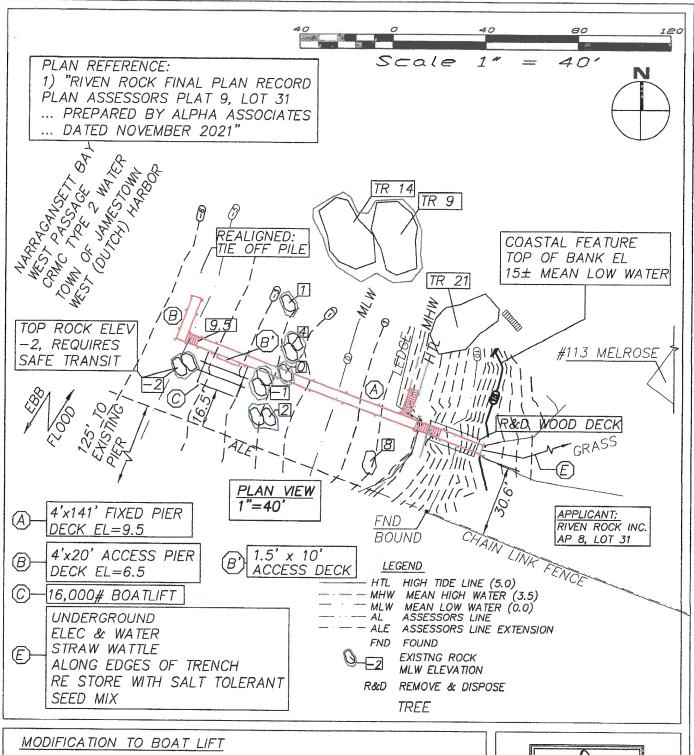
Signed:		Staff Biologist
Signed:	Ron & L	Staff Engineer



MODIFICATION TO BOAT LIFT RESIDENTIAL PIER AND BOATLIFT RIVEN ROCK INC., C/O BETSY MOODY AP 8, LOT 31 #113 MELROSE AVE JAMESTOWN, RI 02835 BY: WARREN CIVIL ENGINEER SHEET 1 OF 4

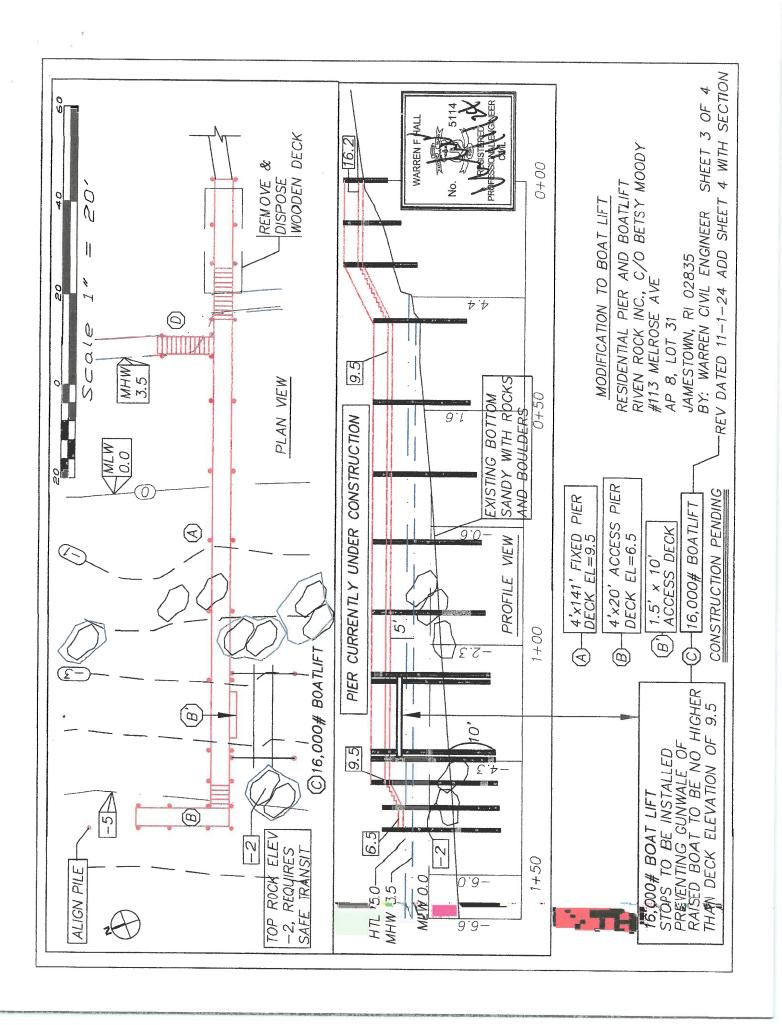


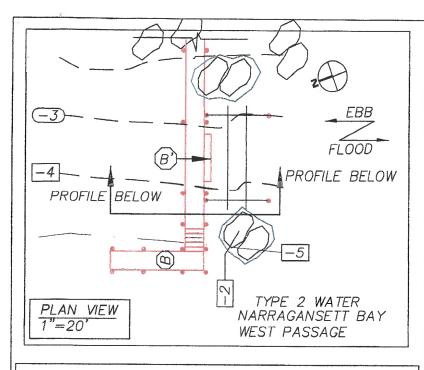


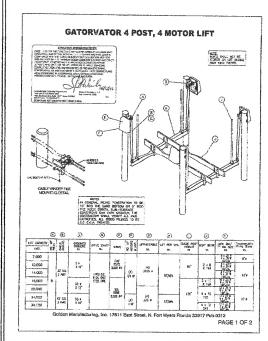


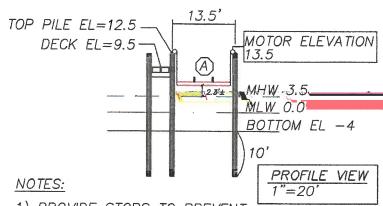
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SHEET 2 OF 4



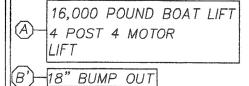




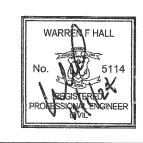




- 1) PROVIDE STOPS TO PREVENT CHARACTER STOPS TO PREVENT ANY HIGHER THAN FIXED DECK ELEVATION OF 9.5
- 2) TOP OF NEW PILES TO MATCH ELEVATION OF EXISTING FIXED PIER PILES OF 12.5
- 3) LIFT MOTOR MAY BE ATTACHED TO TOP OF LIFT PILES



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