

# **TOWN OF BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND**

## **BRISTOL HARBOR COMMISSION**



**To: The Honorable Bristol Town Council  
Via the Town Clerk**

**CC: Town Administrator  
Harbormaster**

**DATE: July 1, 2024**

**RE: Advisory Recommendation re CRMC – Application File # 2023-08-084, by TSL, LLC for installation of a berthing facility and expansion of existing marina for the mooring of a pool boat for recreational purposes.**

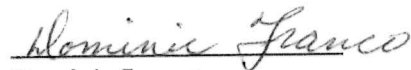
At its meeting of July 1, 2024, the Harbor Commission, together with the Harbor Commission Advisory Committee, heard two hours of public testimony, and following discussion, voted by a vote of 4 to 1, to send the following recommendation to the Town Council:

The Bristol Harbor Commission respectfully recommends to the Bristol Town Council that this Application meets the criteria of the Bristol Harbor Management Plan, in that it is completely within the riparian rights area of the applicant, does not cross the Harbor Line, and does not interfere with navigation in Bristol Harbor. The Harbor Commission is concerned with potential water pollution from the treated pool water, danger to nearby riparian and littoral structures in the event of a hurricane, public access to the waterfront by physically handicapped individuals, and possible danger to pool users in the event a large vessel navigating nearby might lose power or control and collide with the pool boat. Consequently, the Harbor Commission recommends to the Town Council that the following four conditions be recommended by the Town Council to the RI CRMC prior to CRMC's consideration of the Application.

1. The Applicant shall provide a written plan indicating how the pool water will be treated, how the waste from any backwashing filtration system will be disposed, and confirming that there will be no discharge of such filtration system water into Bristol Harbor.

2. The Applicant shall provide a written Storm Action Plan indicating the actions proposed for certain time frames (such as when a Tropical Storm or Hurricane Watch is issued and when a Tropical Storm or Hurricane Warning is issued) and identifying the specific contractors who will provide trucks to pump out the pool water and identifying the specific marine facility that will haul the pool boat out of the water.
3. The Applicant shall provide certification from an engineer that the access to the pool boat from the shore will meet ADA requirements.
4. The CRMC should consider requiring the Applicant to install additional barriers, which might include additional pilings, to prevent any out of control vessel from colliding with the pool boat and endangering pool users.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dominic Franco", written in dark ink.

Dominic Franco

Chair, Bristol Harbor Commission

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