



## **ZTR23-001**

### Shoreline Regulations for Marina and Swim Facilities

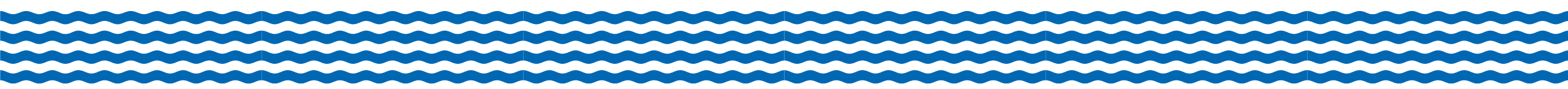
Mercer Island City Code (MICC)  
19.13.040 Table B, 19.13.050,  
19.13.010(E), and 19.16.010

City Of Mercer Island City Council  
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# Purpose / Background

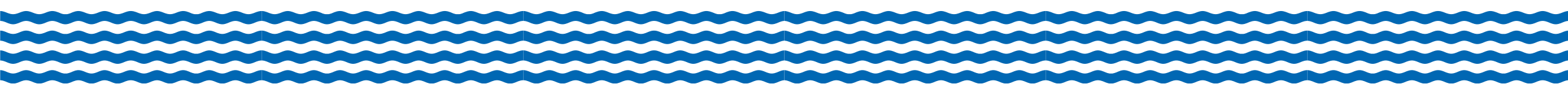
- **October 3:** Present Ordinance No. 23C-15 to City Council for second reading and adoption.
- **September 19:** The City Council completed first reading accepting the Planning Commission recommendation with four (4) additional amendments which are included in the Ordinance with the packet.
- **September 19:** City Council also requested staff look further into the term “live aboard vessels” and provide any clarifying language.



# Staff Follow Up

Question regarding “live aboard vessels”

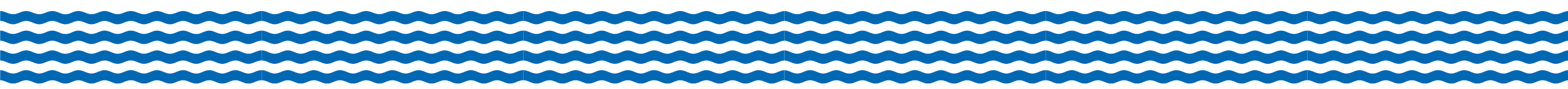
- Staff coordinated with DOE and referenced back to WAC.
- Confirmed intent is not to prohibit “live aboard vessels”, but to limit impacts from such in areas which don’t have the facilities to support the use.
- Therefore, an additional (fifth) amendment is included in the Ordinance with the packet:
  - MICC 19.13.050(L)(4)(k) – “Floating homes and ~~live aboard vessels~~ living within vessels are prohibited in marinas.”



# City Council Follow Up

Question regarding one of the September 19 CC amendments

- PC Chair Murphy provided additional public comment to City Council following the September 19 first reading.
- Concern was expressed the new language could be interpreted to require the marina itself serve 50 users.
- The following amendment was suggested:
  - MICC 19.13.050(L)(2)(b) – “The marina ~~is owned or operated by an organization or corporation serving~~ is part of a facility that serves at least fifty (50) people; or”



# Recommended Motions

- **Motion #1:** Move to amend MICC 19.13.050(L)(2)(b) to read “The marina is part of a facility that serves at least fifty (50) people; or”
- **Motion #2:** Move to adopt Ordinance No. 23C-15 (as amended).

## Next Steps

- Once Ordinance No. 23C-15 is adopted, it will be sent to DOE for final review.
  - Upon receipt of final DOE approval, the City will publish the Ordinance.
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