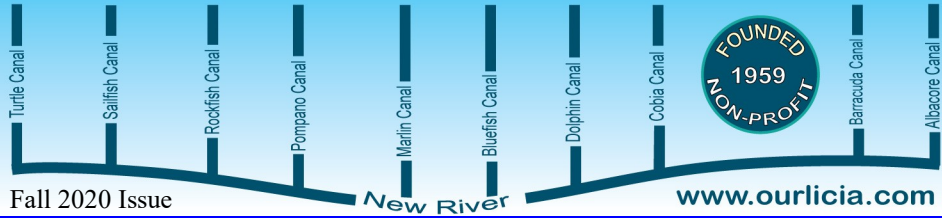


Lauderdale Isles Civic Improvement Association, Inc.



Greetings Neighbors!



By Audrey Edwards

Wow, what a year we've had thus far (on the upside, we have not had to deal with any hurricanes)! LICIA has had quite a year and is also having to change with the current times, we've had several board meetings using Zoom and have even had a couple in the Dr. Elizabeth Hays Park. The time has come for the need to publish our very informative newsletter online. Once the newsletter is available online, you will receive a hard copy notification, the hard copy will also contain our great advertisers, upcoming meeting date and time and a brief summary of what is in the newsletter (the advertisers will also be on the online version). We've created a Facebook page, and a Lauderdale Isles Civic Improvement Association group on NextDoor (both of these will be great avenues to get news out to you and a direct link to the newsletter).

Due to COVID-19 it has been a long time since we have had the opportunity to host a General Meeting. We know that not everyone uses "Zoom", and it would be awfully nice to see some familiar faces (keeping our social distancing space and wearing masks). We thought of only two places that would be suitable, the New River Middle School or Snyder Park. We could not secure the school, but we were able to secure **Pavilion 5 at Snyder Park for Saturday, November 14th at 10:00am.** You are more than welcome to bring your own chair, however there are picnic tables under the pavilion, and they will be sanitized. Coffee, fresh bananas and hand sanitizer will be available. We've got lots of news to share, especially from our Airport Committee. Snyder Park has lots of amenities, after the meeting might be a nice time to check out their butterfly garden, Bark Park (for our four-legged pals), nature trails, bike trails, or try your hand at fishing in West Lake!

As the holiday season approaches, don't let your guard down. Stay safe, wear your masks and always try to help those less fortunate.

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ELECTION of Officers for the 20/21 year will take place at the **Pavilion 5 at Snyder Park for Saturday, November 14th at 10:00am.** Your vote and participation makes a difference!

EDITOR'S NOTE: We have a great neighborhood and community. For the folks who have tirelessly filled out airplane noise complaints, you have made a difference. A shout out to Geoff Rames, Dick Cahoon, Angela Pluzhnyk, Commissioner Ben Sorensen, the City of Fort Lauderdale and all of our neighbors who have tireless worked on this. Read the newsletter online at "ourlicia.com" to get the updates. Your efforts have made a difference to help to make our neighborhood great!

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AGENDA

Note New Location
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LICIA General Meeting
Saturday, November 14th, 10-12am
Pavilion 5 Snyder Park
3299 SW 4th Avenue

1. Opening Statement President/Vice President
2. FLPD Report
3. Code Enforcement
4. Airport Noise Update
5. LIWMD Update
6. Elections of Officers
7. Old Business
8. New Business
9. Drawing – Members in Good Standing
10. Adjournment

Note: Previous meetings minutes and treasurer’s reports are approved at the monthly Board of Directors Meetings.
General Meetings are held four times per year, on the third Thursday of the months of February, May, August, and November

Regarding LICIA Meetings: - Audio recordings of all meetings are made for the purpose of creating minutes. All attendees This has been a challenging year for everyone. Due to Covid 19, our meeting locations have been varied, while adapting to

social distancing concerns. Our recent board meeting have been held at Elizabeth Hays Civic Park with a Zoom Meeting option. As we move forward we will adapt to conditions and keep moving our neighborhood issues forward. Thanks for your support.

From the Editors Desk

By Bob Franks

- Electronic Version: There is always an e-copy of the newsletter, including past editions, available on our website www.ourlicia.com
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Our fiscal year runs from November through October. With the new fiscal year comes the need for all members to contribute their annual dues of \$20. Your contribution helps LICIA in our efforts to improve and protect our neighborhood. Why not take a minute right now to write a check and mail it to our PO Box. Plus, by paying your dues, you'll be a **Member in Good Standing**, meaning you may serve on LICIA Committees & you can vote in the November Election.

To mail your dues, use the handy coupon found later in this newsletter

You may also pay your dues at the Feb. General Meeting

LICIA encourages you to submit articles for the newsletter. Letters & articles may be submitted by email to: bfranks@gate.net

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Airport Noise Update



By Dick Cahoon

After the 2015 addition of the north runway at Fort Lauderdale International Airport (“FLL”), the FAA changed departure procedures without notice and dramatically increased noise arising from West departures. FLL and the FAA refused LICIA’s proposals to reduce noise. So LICIA requested and the City of Fort Lauderdale agreed to hire the same law firm that won the very first settlement from the FAA to reduce noise. The law firm hired expert air flight consultants who looked into the FAA procedures for FLL and found significant deviations from actual practice.

The City also directed them to evaluate the FAA’s proposed new Metroplex Project for FLL, which appeared to be increasing airport noise at times. Using powerful computers, the consultants

used the same sophisticated software as the FAA to evaluate the proposed Metroplex changes.

Given the FAA’s refusals to make any changes in the past, the consultants have proposed small changes that will meet the FAA objectives and still make reductions in noise for us. These changes were proposed in comments filed with the FAA on July 24, 2020 by The City of Fort Lauderdale.

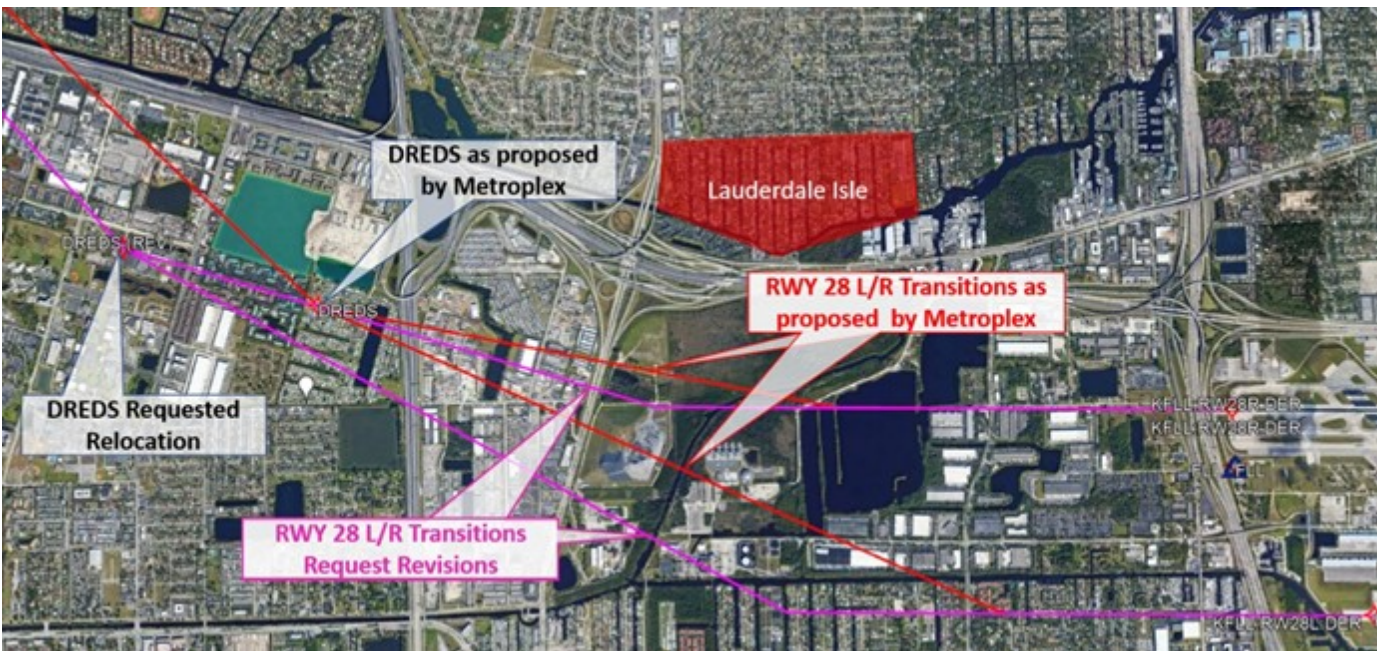
The FAA has asked for and been given very detailed supporting documentation supporting the proposed changes, and we hope they will agree when Metroplex is implemented likely next year.

On Oct. 16, members of the LICIA Noise Committee will represent the Broward County Airport Abatement Committee in a zoom meeting with the US GAO to evaluate how the FAA is handling these changes.

In the meantime, we urge residents to continue to file noise complaints. The new noise complaint link is similar to the old one:

<https://www.broward.org/Airport/Business/NoiseInformation/Pages/default.aspx>

Departure Modifications Recommended by City’s Airport Noise Consultant



This diagram shows the departure procedures using the original location of waypoint DREDS as planned by the FAA (red lines) and the departure procedures requested by the City’s airport noise consultant, which include moving DREDS farther west and slightly north (purple lines). Obviously, the requested procedures move aircraft farther south of Lauderdale Isles. The FAA has communicated with the consultant, asking for more detailed information for this request, which the consultant and the airport noise law firm consider a good sign.

October 30, 2020 update from Commissioner Ben Sorensen: Here is our initial analysis from Matt about the FAA EA: The EA itself is a bit too large to send, but is available here: http://metroplexenvironmental.com/fl_metroplex/fl_docs.html (along with other relevant documents). A couple of issues of particular interest: 1. On the west side (Appendix J-1 topic 49), FAA moved DREDS a bit farther west. On first read, the location appears to be between the location proposed in the Draft EA and the location proposed in our comments. FAA says the new location will keep westbound departures on runway heading for just over 1.5 miles prior to any turn to the northwest toward DREDS. 2. On the east side (Appendix J-1 topic 48), FAA moved the turn to LLBOW approximately .6 miles farther out over the water from runway 10L. Again, this will keep departures on runway heading for longer, preventing early turns. Jason, Jim, and their team are digging into the supporting data to check FAA’s representations against projected flight tracks.

A FRESH START



By Jeannie Lewis

A FRESH START Akin to a toxic love affair, we all experienced the bitter COVID times. It wants to stay, we want to break away. We eagerly embraced the new year of 2020, only to find ourselves violently hurt shortly into it. We were fragile in a vulnerable state. Helpless and unprepared, we gathered of what's left of our pride and try to move on. We suffered, yet we learned from it. Our human instinct to survive prevailed.

Our association, LICIA, has prevailed! As you're reading this, please know that your lane representatives and leaders are trying to survive. We were momentarily quiet as we were picking up the pieces from this viral destruction. We are pushing for new, creative ways of tackling our concerns and even how we conduct our meetings.

One very noticeable human trait that persisted through this historical pandemic, is the desire to share, to help, to reach out. The good human nature. I would like to encourage us all to tap into this fervor. As we come in to the new fiscal year, the association needs your help, more than ever. Please volunteer, share, reach out.

All the members of the board from the President to the lane representatives are all willing volunteers. As we gather monthly, we meet our minds to find means of resolving issues. Like a clingy lover, the airport noise is always on the agenda. Anything and everything that will improve our neighborhood is brought to the table. Traffic calming measures, maintaining our waterways, keeping our properties from theft and burglary, code enforcements, illegal rental homes, are just a few. Knowing who, when, how, our entry sign by Tortugas lane got hit and left destroyed, is also a concern for us.

If you have expertise on subjects of concern, please get involved or lead a committee. Most of us are not experts in our volunteer positions. What other suggestible involvement can one pursue? Be a board member. Be a representative of your lane. If you have literary talent, write an article to our newsletter or be our editor. If you simply have an idea to share, let's publish it in the newsletter too. Carve a little time off your schedule and join our quarterly general meeting. Like most of us, we find time is always fleeting but another big way to share is to donate \$20 per household as your annual due. This amount has remained unchanged over the years. If you have a business, advertise in our newsletter. Trust that it will reach over 600 households. If your neighbor needs a little nudge, reach out and be a positive influence.

This is our neighborhood. Let's release that good human nature. Allow ourselves to have a new beginning. A fresh start. We all need it

An Update on Local Community Flooding

The City of Fort Lauderdale continues to monitor local area flooding resulting from the recent inclement weather.

Ground water tables are highly saturated from the recent storm events. The region has experienced more than 7.5 inches of rain in areas of our community. Our seven-day rainfall average has been between 11-14 inches. Overall, the City has experienced more than 30 percent of its expected annual rainfall in just the past week.

What We Are Doing

- Staff has been deploying crews to pump out water from severely impacted areas since Saturday.
- All utility systems are working at full capacity, and staff continues to monitor the system. Given the excessive volumes of water in such a short timeframe, it may take four to five days for the system to stabilize.
- Support crews will continue to work through the week to assist with dewatering critical areas and ensuring that catch basins and storm sewer systems are functioning properly. Staff is working on approximately \$200 million worth of capital improvement infrastructure projects to be completed in the next five years that are geared toward improving stormwater systems for low-lying areas. Until these projects are completed, staff will continue to prioritize operational support and mitigate as much as possible.

Do Your Part

We ask our community to assist with mitigating flood issues and ensure everyone's safety by doing the following:

- Avoid areas subject to flooding.
- Do not drive in standing water, especially if it is near a canal or adjacent to seawall.
- If you must drive near flooded areas, please drive slowly to minimize creating wakes that impact homes and businesses.
- Turn off irrigation systems for the next few days to help the ground water tables subside.
- If you see a clogged storm drain on or near your property, please remove the debris on top of the storm drain if it is safe to do so. You may also call the 24-hour Customer Service Center at 954-828-8000 to report clogged storm drains.

- Please do not place your bulk trash items over or near a storm drain.

Make sure to contact your flood insurance representative. For more information on flood insurance, please contact the City of Fort Lauderdale Floodplain Manager at 954-828-6133 or visit the City's [Floods and Flood Insurance](#) website.

Questions or Concerns

If you have specific concerns, please contact our 24-hour Customer Service Center at 954-828-8000 or submit your concern to [LauderServe](#), our online ticketing system.

As always, if there is anything I can do, please reach out to me via email at bsorensen@fortlauderdale.gov or call/text me at 954-218-3688.

Thank you.

Ben Sorensen

Fort Lauderdale City Commissioner
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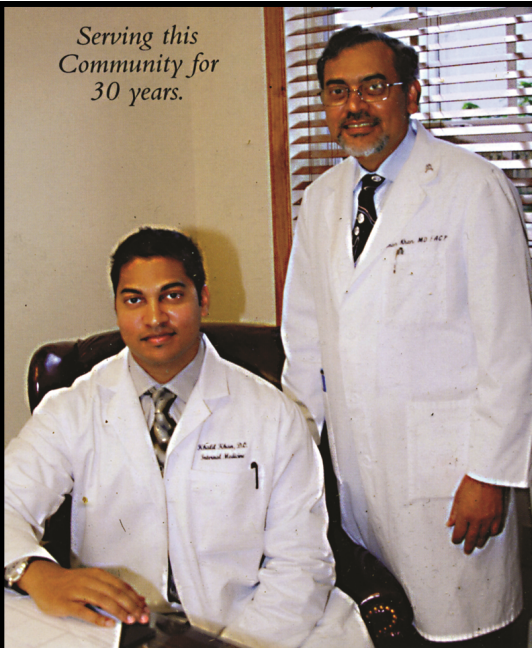


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The New River Greenway Project

By Vincent Valldeperas



Back in 2016 I wrote an article here about a planned

pedestrian bridge over the new river to connect the boat ramp at Riverland Woods Park to the New River Greenway along the new river.

For those, like me, who love to ride mountain bikes and explore the area, you may be familiar with the New river Greenway trail that starts at Markham Park in Weston and leads east ending at University drive. This trail is a bit boring and is, as of yet, unfinished but in the end is part of this project so eventually the New river greenway should connect from Markham park in the west to I95 in the east. That would be awesome for folks all along the route as a great place to ride, jog, or just walk.

Unfortunately, the only way to access this trail right now at either segment is to go get in a car and park at one of the parks to start your ride. Because of gates and fences that I assume are there to control the homeless, you cannot access this by bike from our neighborhood unless you go riding along 441 south, cross lanes of traffic and then ride east or west along traffic to get to an opening, not quite a safe thing to do the way people drive these days.

In the last article, I wrote that we had been told that the plan for the bridge was for construction to start in 2019, we are now in 2020 and we see no activity. A public hearing about the project was cancelled and no new ones scheduled.

So this year I have been doing some research, reaching out to the city and county again to see what is going on, especially in light of the planned improvements to Riverland Road under the "Complete Streets program".

After many calls and confusion I can confirm that indeed the county is in charge of this project under their pedestrian facilities division. The manager for the program responded to me asking not to share his name, he did share current status information and plans for the project. The enclosed map shows the three original possible locations. The final plan is the west one on the map, along the ramp to I595 west and Turnpike. There is a planned walkway to go under US441 as well as the ramp from I595 ending at the boat ramp.

The picture below is a rendering of the planned bridge viewed from the west above the New River Greenway.

As for status, the manager had this to share: "We are having some challenges but are committed to keeping this project still moving forward. The project has bogged down in the permit process. We applied for permits from SFWMD, FDOT, and the Coast Guard. SFWMD issued us a permit, FDOT is



requiring them to amend the current greenway Memorandum of Agreement to include the bridge and proposed path, FDOT is drafting the amendment. The Coast Guard is requiring a full NEPA Study We are having challenges getting a consultant on-board to conduct the study".

So for timing, he tells me that their plan (barring any more issues) is to start construction mid-2021. Let's hope this is the case.



Some neighbors have voiced concerns about security, others have asked why not simply add a concrete barrier along the ramp to 595 and use the shoulder. This sounds good but the county feels it's a safety issue. As for security and the homeless, the county will study and monitor likely adding some measures to the plan such as fences.

I will post any updates on Nextdoor and do a follow up on the Newsletter especially if any Public Information Meetings get scheduled. Can't wait to ride from the isles to the parks along the Greenway, see you there...

Sea Level Rise, Flood Zones & Sea Walls

By Bob Franks

By now I am sure you know we are in the 2020 fall King Tide period. The sun and moon come into juxtaposition to cause a higher than normal tide. The next King Tides will be November 13th to 18th, and December 13th to 15th. To put this into perspective, at the Andrews Avenue Bridge, the normal high water reading is 2.23 feet. In September, during the King Tide, the high water level reached was predicted to reach 3.12 feet on September 19th. With the amount of rain we have had and a strong onshore wind, the water level actually reached 1.6 higher than expected, to reach a height of 4.72 feet. This is 2.5' higher than normal. Many places you commonly see as "dry" had become a lake. Fortunately, the tide only came up to 3.28 feet on October 18th. 3.15 feet is predicted for November 15th, and 2.8 feet on December 15th. Barring any hurricanes late in the season, we should have a minimal chance of coastal flooding, until next King Tide season.

But wait, there's more. Sea level rise. Sea level rises and falls over geologic times in natural cycles due to changing climates, including warming and cooling of the world's oceans. 10,000 years ago the sea was 100' below current sea level. 5000 years ago, it was 15' below the current level. Hundreds of thousands of years ago the beach used to be along Federal Hwy, also known geologically as the Biscayne Ridge. Sea level rise and fall is a natural phenomenon. The degree of predicted rise and fall is the question. One of the best sources of "official" predictions comes from the Southeast Florida Climate Compact Org. By 2040, they are projecting sea level to rise 10 to 17 inches from 1990 sea level. By 2070 they predict the sea level to be 23 to 40 inches above the 1990 level. All of these projections are based upon variables with unproven computer models. So, just an educated guess, like hurricane forecasting. None the less, you always want to prepare for the worst and hope for the best.

The greatest danger of flooding in our area is a combination of water saturated soil, a high rain event, combined with high tides. This scenario would involve high water coming in from the ocean, and large amounts of rain trying to wash out to the sea. Even if you are not in a designated flood zone between the Everglades and the sea, you may be in a place the water has no place to go. Think Houston in Hurricane Harvey. During the recent rains in mid October we experienced more than 7.5 inches of rain in areas of our community. Our seven-day rainfall average has been between 11-14 inches. Overall, the City has experienced more than 30 percent of its expected annual rainfall in just one week in October.

So should I worry about flooding any time soon? To provide an assessment of your risk factor for flooding, FEMA has created neighborhood flood zone maps showing the likelihood of flooding, based on a 100 year event. The current flood map used is based on the 2014 model. Go to: <https://www.broward.org/Environment/FloodZoneMaps/Pages/ProposedNewFloodMaps.aspx>.

Find your house on the map and click on it to get your flood

zone designation. My house is shown in "New Flood Zone: X - Below 500 year Flood Plan". So no flood insurance required. When I click in the area of where my dock is, it shows: "New Flood Zone AE". AE means you have a 1% annual chance of flooding of 1 to 3 feet. Houses in Flood Zone AE are required to have flood insurance for federally backed mortgages.

FEMA has been working hard at creating a new flood zone map, re its December 31st, 2019 map. Go to: <https://www.broward.org/Environment/FloodZoneMaps/Pages/ProposedNewFloodMaps.aspx>. This new flood map was supposed to go into effect this year, but was put off being official until after the election. You are really going to want to look at this new flood zone map. It puts more people into flood zones, requiring flood zone insurance. In addition to this, flood and normal home owner insurance is going up in cost. You may see 30% or higher insurance costs. With the City of Fort Lauderdale's new storm water tax, we will be paying around \$300 or more a year with our property tax. There is a rising tide of expenses needed to mitigate the potential flooding risks.

Many of us in the neighborhood live on the water and the subject of seawall height and condition, related to flooding, comes to mind. What is required and what do we do to fix it? In 2016 the City of Fort Lauderdale passed a resolution requiring seawalls to meet the 3.9' NAVD88 standard. "NAVD" stands for the North American Vertical Datum of 1088, i.e. the standard vertical baseline measurement for our seawalls. Go to: <https://gyr.fortlauderdale.gov/greener-government/climate-resiliency/seawall-maintenance>.

This website will give you all the information you need, to know about seawalls in the City of Fort Lauderdale. Basically, it sets a minimum sea wall height to 3.9' NAVD88. If your seawall is below the 3.9' height and does not allow flooding onto someone else's property, you are fine. If your seawall is in disrepair then you need to rebuild to the 3.9' height. If you need to rebuild your seawall you can build up to 5' NAVD88. If you rebuild only to 3.9', then you are encouraged to rebuild the sea wall in such a way that a later addition of a higher cap will be structurally sound.

Keep in mind that some proponents for increased sea wall height wanted the city to mandate all new seawalls and those needing repair to be at a higher height than 3.9'. This would put an unfair burden on waterfront homeowners, who live on fixed incomes, to be able to come into compliance with higher seawalls. The compromise was the requirement to heighten properties sea wall only if in disrepair or causing flooding on an adjacent property.

On a larger scale, Broward County has been busy working on new sea wall regulations. I spoke with Dr. Jennifer Jurado, Chief Resilience Officer and Director of the Environmental Planning and Community Resilience Division. She explained that the county would be introducing new seawall regulations to the municipalities in Broward County. In many ways the new county ordinance will mirror those currently in place. Mandated sea wall height increases will be required when flooding occurs from one property to another or substantial sea wall repairs are

needed. The new proposed recommendation will be sea wall heights of 4' NAVD by 2035 and a 5' NAVD recommendation by 2050.

As part of a general conversation, Dr. Jurado said that Broward County was using an estimate of 2' sea rise by 2060 as a basis for planning. I was extremely impressed with the planning and all of the considerations taking place in consideration of flooding and possible future events. The county is working on a coastal wave flood study to map areas of concern. More high resolution maps are being created to show on a property to property basis the potential for flooding. Considerations of where to locate flood pumps, where to set base elevations for new constructions, etc. all serve to mitigate the current and future flood events. This allows for a better response to potential economic losses and reduces insurance increases, which affects the real estate market. To learn more about Broward County's environmental programs go to: <http://www.broward.org/CLIMATE/Pages/default.aspx>.

Ok, you now have a better understanding of some of the seawall requirements. How do I find out the height and condition of my seawall? You can go online and find a company like Florida Inspections Unlimited. Companies like these can perform property surveys, seawall surveys, and elevation surveys. Expect a cost of around \$400 for a property survey, around \$500 for a seawall survey, and around \$150 for an elevation survey. Call for quotes. This will give you a baseline for knowing the height of your seawall and its condition.

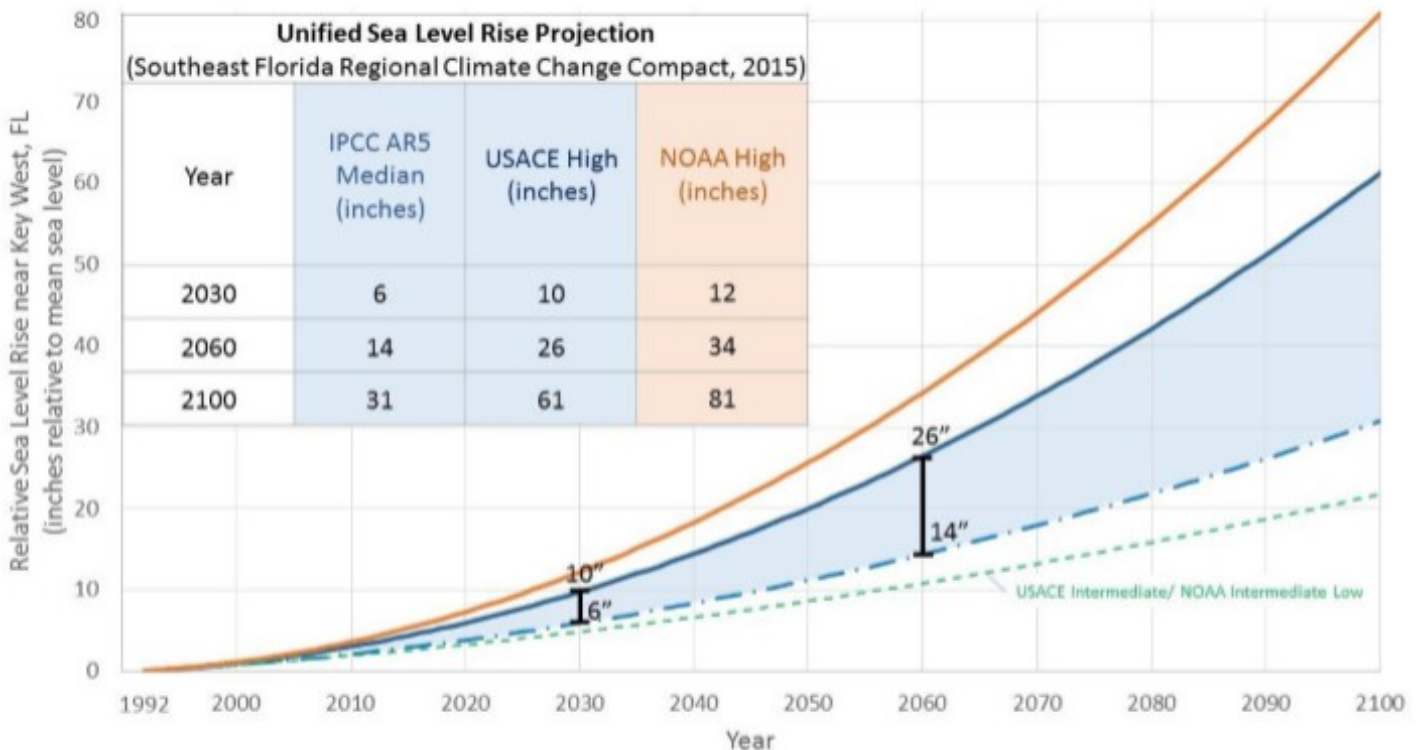
Ready to do some work on your seawall? Like any good project, do your due diligence and hire the proper company to get the job done right. In researching good companies online with a lot of good reviews, I came across Sea Me Dive Inc. One of Sea Me Dive's specialties is installing a jet filter system which allows excess water to flow from the landward side of a property to the outside of the sea wall to maintain sea wall integrity. Alon, of Sea Me Dive has been in the business a long time, performed jobs in our neighborhood and shared some good advice.

Four contractors will give you four different opinions of how to do the job. Be cautious about the low bidders. Your job will have low priority to the contractor. Good contractors already have plenty of work doing the better paid commercial jobs. Always get references when hiring a company. Don't pay the full amount until the job is done. A general rule of thumb is that seawall repair will cost around \$200/linear foot. Expect a new sea wall to cost around \$800/linear foot.

Make sure in your contract that the contractor will take care of all of the required permits and inspections. To see a list of items required by the City of Fort Lauderdale Building Dept. go to: <http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/Home/ShowDocument?id=19425>.

In the short term a 4' NAVD height will meet the current and proposed regulations. Make sure your seawall will be structurally sound to allow for a 1' cap bringing it to 5' NAVD by 2050.

Capt. Bob



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The Lauderdale Isles Yacht Club

By Vincent Valldeperas



In recent years we have welcomed a good number of new families to our neighborhood. I myself moved here five years ago and love the area. One of the many gems of Lauderdale Isles is the Lauderdale Isles Yacht Club facility at the end of Whale Harbor lane. For those new to the area I suggest you drive by to see its potential. In its day the club was a very popular social and gathering place for our neighborhood.

Those of us who have been here longer than me can share stories of the rise and fall of the club. Some harbor ill feelings toward the club in general so I would like to remind all that neither the current board of the club nor the current owners have anything to do with the issues that caused the failure and sale of the club facility back in the day.

I write you today to raise awareness to the club, its current status, the status of the property and hopefully start dialogs about what we as a neighborhood could gain or lose by investing in or ignoring the facility.

The Lauderdale Isles yacht club is currently not using the facility on Whale Harbor lane. This is simply because membership dropped below a level where we could afford to pay the owners of the facility for its use. The facility itself is in need of renovations which the club obviously could not afford. Between hurricane damage, problems with the pool and low membership as a result of these issues. We had to become a roving club. Currently the club is meeting at a café downtown and hosting even more boating events than before. This current configuration means we have very little costs and therefore have a very cheap membership fee. You will all see us in December when we host the annual LIYC boat parade in the isles, this is open to all.... If you would like to learn more about the club, please feel free to contact us via the web page www.lauderdaleislesyachtclub.org or www.lauderdaleisles.us

So what about the property. Well the owners currently have it listed for lease hoping to find a renter that can renovate it and put the property to use. Some may be aware that the city did make a bid to buy the property to merge with the park but this did not close so the property sits waiting. It should be noted that this property is deeded and zoned to be only a club or park. I am sure many in the neighborhood would fight any attempt to turn it into anything else and this is where I would love to appeal for positive suggestions from our neighbors.

When I moved to the Isles I joined the club because I saw great potential. I joined the board and a year later became Commodore and helped the new owners start events like Movies on the lawn, flea markets, car shows, etc (all open to non-members). This added some features to our existing bar, tennis courts and pool. The problem is that this is expensive to do and problems such as hurricanes plus expenses like a leaking pool resulted in folks not signing up and some even leaving the club despite our best efforts.

Today, members of the club and many in the neighborhood would love to see a return of a neighborhood safe club facility that could again be the home of the club, host a swimming team, babysitting or day camp, plus again hosting other events like the voting location and a place for other groups such as our Civic association and other clubs (diving club, sailing club, etc.) to meet. Not to mention the ability for members to use the facility for their own parties, weddings, etc. The question is, how to get there?.... Obviously just the club membership dues will not do. We have to decide as a neighborhood if we want our own safe and private club. I fear if we don't think about options now we may pay a higher price later.

So what are our options? Some suggestions have been made but all seem to have some negatives. For me the idea of having a majority of the households join the club then buy or rent the facility and do repairs is not that complicated. Dues used to be \$50/month and if we get enough families to join, we should be able to bring our club back to the isles. Look for surveys on this topic on Nextdoor or contact us to show support.

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