Agenda Item # 58-1

#### PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: October 6, 2009

[]Consent []Ordinance [X] Regular [ ] Public Hearing

Department: <u>Parks and Recreation</u>

Submitted By: <u>Parks and Recreation Department</u>

Submitted For: Parks and Recreation Department

### I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

**Motion and Title:** Staff requests motion to approve: A) an amendment to the previously approved annual permit fee policy for saltwater boat ramp trailer parking to include an advanced purchase daily fee option of \$10 per day; and B) a revised effective date of January 1, 2010.

**Summary:** On July 7, 2009, the Board approved an annual boat trailer parking fee of \$35 for five (5) County park saltwater boat ramp locations. An advanced purchase daily fee of \$10 is proposed to permit access to those boaters who may infrequently use a County boat ramp and don't desire to purchase an annual parking permit. The same permitting process used for the annual permit can easily accommodate daily permits at no additional cost to the County. These changes will resolve a concern of the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) related to equal, non-discriminatory access to FIND funded facilities. <u>Countywide</u> (AH)

**Background and Policy Issues:** The Board approved the establishment of boat ramp trailer parking fees at the County's five (5) saltwater boat ramp parks on February 3, 2009. Following staff development of an implementation plan, on July 7, 2009, the Board approved a \$35 annual permit fee which did not include provisions for daily permitting. On July 13, 2009, staff received notice from FIND that failure to offer a daily fee option created a pricing inequity for those residents living outside of Palm Beach County, but within the FIND District boundary. If it is determined that a pricing conflict exists, the County could potentially have to reimburse FIND for grant funding previously received and/or jeopardize future grant requests. Although staff and the County Attorney's office feel that a singular annual permit fee does not violate our FIND funding agreement, staff met with FIND to confirm their position and seek potential remedial actions. FIND felt that making a \$10 daily fee option available would satisfy their concerns over equitable pricing.

The County has enjoyed a tremendously successful relationship with FIND over the years and it is believed that adding a simple \$10 advanced purchase daily fee for boat trailer parking in addition to the previously approved annual fee is in the County's best interest. No additional staff resources will be required to implement a daily fee option. The Marine Industries Association and West Palm Beach Fishing Club support the addition of a daily fee.

In an effort to incorporate the daily fee option and provide adequate notice to the boating public, a revised start date of January 1, 2010, and an annual calendar year cycle is recommended.

#### Attachment: None

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Recommended by		9/9/2009
	Department Director	Date
Approved by:	Au	9/28/09
	Assistant County Administrator	Date

#### **II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS**

# A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Capital Expenditures Operating Costs External Revenues Program Income (County) In-Kind Match (County)	-0- -0- -0- -0- -0-	-0- -0- -0- -0- -0-	-0- -0- -0- -0-	-0- -0- -0- -0- -0-	-0- -0- -0- -0- -0-
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# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)	0				

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes \_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ Budget Account No.: Fund \_\_\_ Department \_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_ Object \_\_\_ Program <u>N/A</u>

# B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

\* There is no fiscal impact at this time associated with this item.

C. Departmental Fiscal Review: Cn

**III. REVIEW COMMENTS** 

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Development and Control Comments:

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B. Legal Sufficiency:

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C. Other Department Review:

**Department Director** 

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