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## 3. MARINAS

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### ISSUES

- Marinas can add interest to the waterfront.
- Marinas can block water views and visually reduce the size of the waterbody.
- Marinas can hamper direct access to the shoreline.
- Marinas can interfere with recreational water use.
- Marinas require on-shore facilities such as parking lots and loading/unloading areas which cross the walkway.
- There is a shortage of berths in Vancouver.
- False Creek is a good location for visitors' marinas.

### FACTS

- There are presently 1500 berths in 10 locations in False Creek.
- Waiting lists for berths have been 6-12 months long but are shorter recently.
- Marinas usually include supporting commercial facilities.
- Parking requirements are one space for every two berths. For example, a 500 berth marina requires 250 spaces which covers about 1.5 acres.
- A 500 boat marina requires about 15 acres of water.
- There are 60 permanent and 30 temporary berths in SEGS.

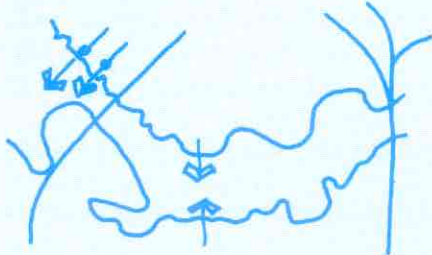
### PAST POLICY

- 1972-74 - limit size, number and capacity to not overcrowd the Creek (1700 boats maximum until Kitsilano Trestle removed).
- 1981-82 - limit to not overcrowd or obstruct water view.
- 1983 (Staff Response to B.C. Place) - marinas to cover no more than 15.3 acres.
- SEGS and North Park - specified limited marina locations.

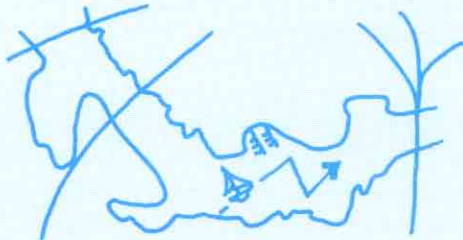
### POLICY - PRINCIPLES

- Marinas should be permitted as a conditional use only where Council is persuaded that the negative impacts are not significant; and approved only in locations where marinas do not result in a reduced presence of the waterbody.
- Some uses ancillary to marinas such as repair facilities and parking should be accommodated at unobtrusive locations.
- Some space within marinas should be reserved for visitors.

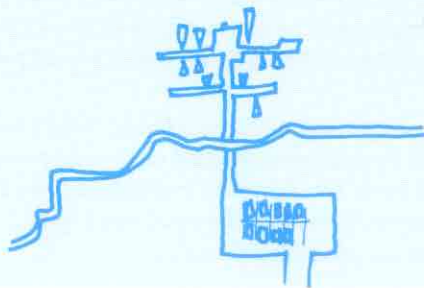
- Marinas should be of a size, number and location to:



- maintain street-end views and key long views across the water;



- not overcrowd the water, especially the central basin;



- minimize on-shore disruption.

- Marinas should not disrupt pedestrian continuity.
- Services such as parking and loading should be located to be functional and convenient to marina users.
- Opportunities for public boat launching should be achieved.
- Regulations and enforcement procedures and jurisdictions for boating traffic and storage in the Creek should be reviewed and adjusted to reflect increasing boating activities.

## POLICY - SPECIFIC TARGETS

- None proposed until the shape of the land and water is established with the preparation of overall or area concept plans.