

NEWPORT BEACH HARBOR COMMISSION
Mooring Transfer Policies Subcommittee
June 8th, 2022 Update



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Current Activity: Questions we are asking ourselves

- As requested by the Affordable Boat Storage Ad-hoc committee, how can we improve mooring accessibility and affordability to the general public?
 - Identify any problems seen with the current mooring transfer policy
 - Identify possible solutions to problems identified
- As we consider the possibilities of introducing new mooring permits, what would the process for determining who would receive these permits?
- Once new permits are issued, what policy would we recommend for transfer of these permits, and how does it dovetail to the legacy permits?



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Background & History

- Bulk of temporary mooring permits issued in the 1950s and 1960s
- 2006-2007 Orange County Grand Jury Report " Are They Held in the Public Trust or Private Profit?"
 - <https://www.ocgrandjury.org/pdfs/newportharbormoorings.pdf>
 - Numerous policy changes made by the City most specifically unwinding the sale of boats as a vehicle to obtain a mooring permit. However, the practice of selling mooring permits still exists today
- City Council Ordinance 2010-26 sunseting private party mooring permit sales effective January 1st, 2021
 - <https://ecms.newportbeachca.gov/Web/0/doc/38966/Page1.aspx>
- City County Ordinance 2017-7 reinstating private mooring transfer permit sales (current policy)
 - <https://ecms.newportbeachca.gov/Web/0/doc/1174914/Page1.aspx>

