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Comments:

I listened to the virtual presentation for 204 Salisbury Exchange Public Hearing held on April 30, 2020. I also read the comments made public for this hearing. All of the comments were submitted by future neighbors of the applicant and all opposed the construction of a long pier on the proposed site. I was surprised and disappointed that none of the issues mentioned in the comments were raised at the hearing. This left me with the feeling of why bother making comments if they are going to be ignored during a key part of the application process? Has the applicant at least read our comments? Does he care that the proposed pier will negatively affect his neighbors' use of the Cove? Or does he just want to build on a shallow part of the Bay and get to his powerboat by whatever means necessary? It would be a mistake to approve this application without drastically scaling it back. Reducing the pier's length to 114 feet does nothing to address the concerns raised in the comments. While, as the applicant's expert witness noted, there may be longer piers around, you won't find them anywhere off the property of private homeowners and near this shallow cove. Because of the shape of the cove, what one does in the water off his property greatly affects his neighbors who disapprove of this undertaking.