

**PORT OF VANCOUVER USA  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
Tuesday, June 14, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Commission President Burkman called a regular meeting of the Port of Vancouver Board of Commissioners to order and open to the public at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 14, 2022, at the Port of Vancouver USA Administrative Office, 3103 NW Lower River Road, Vancouver, Washington 98660.

**OPENING REMARKS**

Commissioner Burkman welcomed everyone to the commission meeting. He announced no executive session was held and that the meeting and the subsequent workshop is being recorded. He made introductions and then invited guests to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Burkman stated that Commissioner LaBrant is joining the meeting virtually.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting of May 24, 2022**

On motion by Commissioner LaBrant, seconded by Commissioner Orange and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners approve the minutes of the May 24, 2022, regular meeting.

**OPEN FORUM**

Commissioner Burkman stated that the agenda invited public comment and indicated there was one community member who signed up to provide virtual oral comment. He reminded community members to keep their comments to three minutes. He then called on the community member to provide public comment.

**OPEN FORUM**

**Chris Smith**

Mr. Smith stated he is part of the Just Crossing Alliance, an organization seeking to get the most sustainable and equitable outcomes possible from the Interstate Bridge Replacement Project. He shared the position of the Alliance.

Commissioner Burkman thanked Mr. Smith for his comments. He reminded everyone interested in providing virtual oral comment during Open Forum at future meetings to register in advance

no later than noon on Monday, the day prior to the scheduled Commission meeting or sign up in person at the meeting.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Approve Public Works Contract Bid 22-23: Terminal 2 - Berths 3/4 Upland Paving Project**

Greg Westrand, Project Manager presented the action item and discussed it with the commission.

On motion by Commissioner LaBrant, seconded by Commissioner Orange and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners authorize the CEO to execute a public works contract with Western United Civil Group, LLC., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for Bid 22-23: Terminal 2 – Berths 3 and 4 Upland Paving in the amount of \$942,357.44 including Washington State Sales Tax.

### **Approve Agreement between the Port of Vancouver USA and Jones Stevedoring Company for Terminal Operations Receipt and Delivery Services**

Todd Krout, Director of Operations presented the action item and discussed it with the Commission. He answered questions from the Board.

On motion by Commissioner LaBrant, seconded by Commissioner Orange, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners authorize the CEO to approve the agreement between the Port of Vancouver USA and Jones Stevedoring Company for Terminal Operations Receipt and Delivery Services.

CEO Marler recognized Doug Beeber, president of Jones Stevedoring Company who is preparing to retire. Mr. Beeber thanked the port and introduced Keith Flagg, who will be the new president effective July 1, 2022.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Port Contracts Logs**

The commissioners reviewed the port contracts logs. CEO Marler reminded everyone that the contracts logs are provided to the Commission on a monthly basis and are available on the port's website. No questions were asked from the Board.

No additional unfinished business was considered.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was discussed.

## **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Director of Finance & Accounting Scott Goodrich presented the action item as contained in the Commission's packet and discussed the recommendation with the Board.

On motion by Commissioner LaBrant, seconded by Commissioner Orange and carried unanimously, the Port of Vancouver USA Board of Commissioners, by motion, ratifies and approves the payment of May 2022 Vouchers 109604 – 109931 in the amount of \$6,281,509.91 including Electronic Payments generated between 05/01/2022 – 05/31/2022 in the amount of \$3,137,036.38 and May 2022 Payroll Checks 51687879 – 51687880 and 51694535 and Payroll Direct Deposits 180001 – 180121 and 210001 – 210121 in the amount of \$621,151.80.

## **CEO REPORT**

### **Action taken under Resolution 2-2020: Declaration of Local Emergency and Delegation of Authority of Emergency Powers**

CEO Marler shared the history behind the adoption of Resolution 2-2020 and then advised the commissioners that she has not taken any action provided her under this resolution.

### **Project Updates**

Mark Newell, Project Delivery Manager provided an update on several port projects, including:

- Terminal 1 Site & Infrastructure
- Terminal 1 Red Lion Demolition
- Terminal 1 Renaissance Trail
- Terminal 1 AC Marriott (Not Port Contractor)
- NuTech Lot 2 Development

He answered questions from the Board.

CEO Marler thanked Mark for all the work he has done and everyone who helped with the Vancouver Landing event last week. She also congratulated Jack Flug, the port's Senior Financial Analyst for his graduation from the Leadership Clark County program. Commissioner Burkman also thanked the External Affairs Department.

## **COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

Commissioner LaBrant did not provide a report.

Commissioner Orange thanked the following for the work they do:

- Longshore
- Jones Stevedoring
- Port of Vancouver Staff

Commissioner Burkman stated he attended the following events and meetings and provided a brief summary of some of the meetings he attended:

- CEO Marler
- Economic Forecast Breakfast
- Merchant's Exchange Shipping 301 Class
- Lechtenberg Barn Photo Presentation
- Vancouver Landing Ribbon Cutting
- Regional Transportation Council
- Labor Roundtable

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

A list of upcoming events was displayed on the screen for viewers to see staff activities and community meetings. CEO Marler stated the next commission meeting would be held on Tuesday, June 28 at 8:30 a.m. She also highlighted several other upcoming community events and reminded folks that the port administrative offices would be closed on Monday, June 20 in observance of Juneteenth.

CEO Marler also reminded everyone of the ways they can communicate with the Commission. She stated there is a great deal of information available on the port's website and encouraged everyone to check it out.

### **RECESS**

Commissioner Burkman called a recess at 9:19 a.m. to prepare for the port's Interstate Bridge Replacement Program Update workshop.

### **WORKSHOP**

#### **Interstate Bridge Replacement Program Update**

Commissioner Burkman reopened the meeting at 9:26 a.m. for the Interstate Bridge Replacement Program Update workshop. CEO Marler introduced Greg Johnson, Program Administrator for the Interstate Bridge Replacement (IBR) program who led the workshop.

Mr. Johnson thanked CEO Marler, port commissioners and staff for their participation and stated that the IBR program is working hand in hand with federal leaders on the process. He indicated

he appreciated input from the Just Crossing Alliance. He then provided a presentation on the program and discussed the following details:

- Program Timeline
- IBR Recommendation: Modified Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA)
- Transit Investments
- Auxiliary Lanes
- Hayden Island/Marine Drive Interchanges
- Freight Commitments
- Next Steps and Timeline Beyond Summer 2022

Commissioner Burkman stated that Commissioner LaBrant had to drop from the meeting, Mr. Johnson answered questions from the Board and CEO, and they thanked him for the presentation.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE / WORK SESSION**

No administrative work session was held during this meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Port of Vancouver USA Board of Commissioners, the Tuesday, June 14, 2022, regular meeting was adjourned at 10:46 a.m. by Commissioner Burkman. The commission signed documents immediately following the adjournment.

Michelle Allan, Executive Services  
Manager, June 14, 2022, Regular  
Port of Vancouver USA Board of  
Commission Meeting

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