

### Port of Vancouver USA Board of Commissioners Meeting AUGUST 22, 2023



# Open Forum

To provide virtual oral comment during the board meeting, you must register no later than 12:00 p.m. Monday, August 21, 2023, by emailing <u>povcommissioners@portvanusa.com</u>



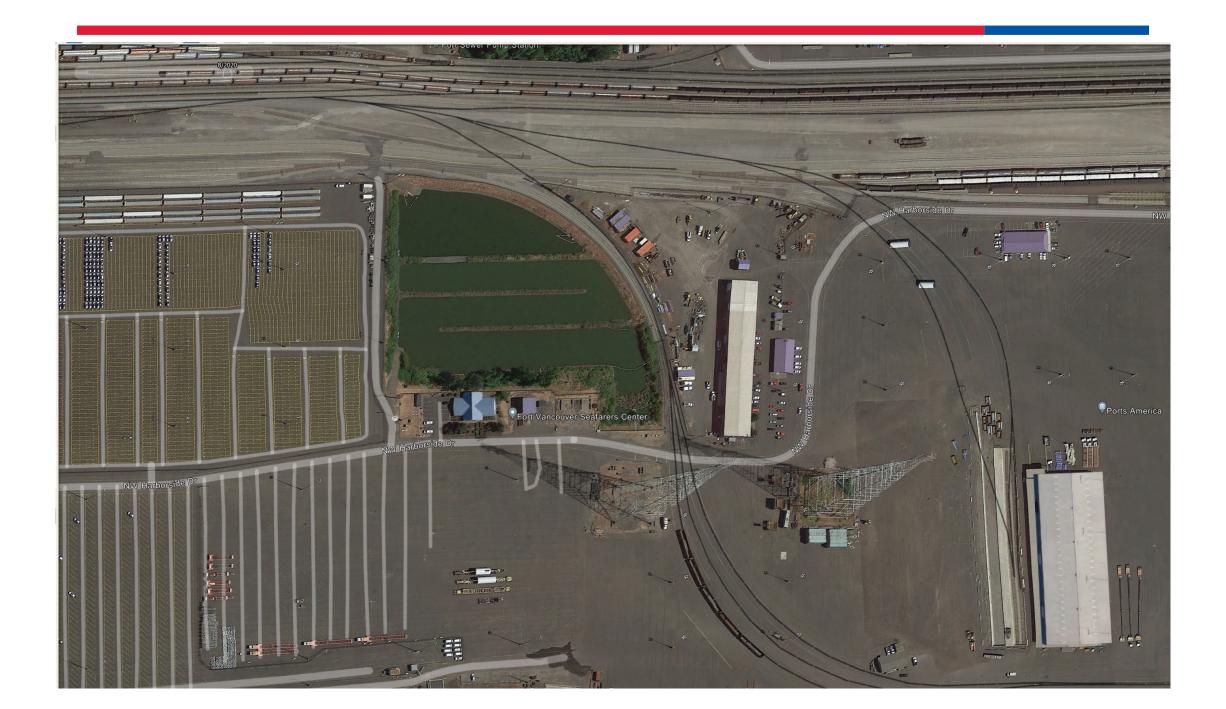
### Action Items



### Action Item E-1

### Approve Public Works Contract for Bid 23-28: Terminal 4 Stormwater Pond Solids Removal Project

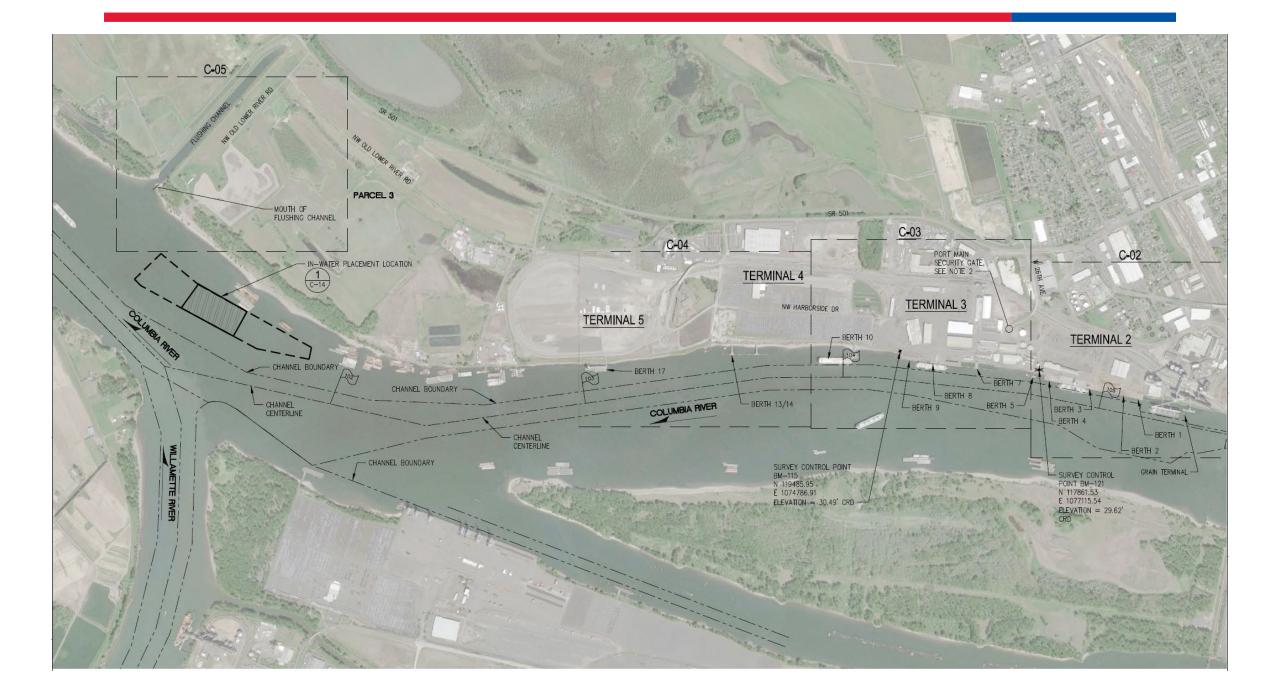




### Action Item E-2

### Approve Public Works Contract for Bid 23-24: 2023 Maintenance Dredging Project





# Unfinished Business



## New Business



# CEO Report



## Commissioners Reports



### Upcoming Events Next Commission Meeting

• Regular Commission Meeting – Tuesday, September 12, 9:30 a.m.

#### **Community Events**

- Music on the Porch Day Saturday, Aug. 26, 4:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m., O.O. Howard House. Three musical acts including a drum circle, River Twain and Bigfoot MoJo. All ages welcome, free event.
- Treats day at Cedar Creek Grist Mill in Woodland, Saturday, Aug. 26, 12:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. Taste wheat cakes, cookies, muffins and scones; dog treats offered too.
- First day of school for Vancouver and Evergreen Public Schools Wednesday, Aug. 30
- The port will be closed for Labor Day holiday on Monday, Sept. 4
- Shumway Neighborhood Association meeting Thursday, Sept. 7, 6:30 p.m., via Zoom
- Tickets on sale for popular Haunted Walking Tours offered by the Clark County Historical Museum. Offered Fridays and Saturdays, Sept. 9 - Oct. 28. Call the museum or get tickets online.
- Neighborhood Associations Council of Clark County meeting Monday, Sept. 11, 6:30 p.m.; attend in-person or via Zoom



### Communicating with the Commission

- Share your thoughts during Open Forum, the public comment period for all regularly scheduled commission meetings.
- Email the commissioners at povcommissioners@portvanusa.com
- Speak to the commissioners by calling the port office at 360-693-3611 for specific contact information.
- Mail your comments to: POV Board of Commissioners
  3103 NW Lower River Road, Vancouver, WA 98660
- For more information, visit the port's website: www.portvanusa.com



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### STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



## **Federal Legislative Update**

## Dale Learn

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Washington State 2023 Legislative Update

## **Overview**

- In-person 105-day session
- •Top issues: public safety, housing, and workforce
- First Climate Commitment Act auction
- 1694 bills introduced
- •472 new laws
- •No new taxes <u>but</u> no tax relief
- •1-day special session on controlled substance laws

### **POV Top Priorities**

- ✓ Protect I-5 bridge funding/Continue progress (HB 1125/SB 5765)
- ✓ TIF Fix (HB 1527)
- ✓ Secure funding for T1 dock demolition (SB 5200)
- ✓ Update Small Works Roster (SB 5268)



### **Additional Priorities**

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

✓ Protect access to ports/trade (HB 1257)

✓ Increase competitiveness for tourism (HB 1258/SB 5336)

#### **FREIGHT INFRASTRUCTURE**

Promote SW Washington transportation projects (HB 1125)
Reliable freight funding for infrastructure (HB 1084)

### **Additional Priorities**

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**

- ✓ Establish grant programs to promote sustainability (SB 5200)
- ✓ Permitting process efficiencies (HB 1216)
- ✓ Protect MTCA fund shifts (SB 5187)



### **Other Issues of Interest**

- Derelict Vessels
  - •Notices HB 1753
  - •Appeals SB 5192
  - •Aquatic Structures SB 5433
- •Long-term care payroll tax relief HB 1011 FAILED
- •Margins tax HB 1644/SB 5482 FAILED
- •July tax collections \$101 million over forecast

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