# PORT OF VANCOUVER USA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING Tuesday, June 24, 2025

# **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 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at the C-TRAN Administration Building, 10600 NE 51st Circle, Vancouver WA 98682.

#### **OPENING REMARKS**

Commissioner Burkman welcomed everyone to the commission meeting. He announced no executive session was held and that the meeting is being recorded. He stated that the meeting is being conducted in a hybrid format, allowing both in-person and virtual participation via Zoom for those wishing to provide oral comments. He then invited guests to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

# Regular Meeting of June 10, 2025

On motion by Commissioner LaBrant, seconded by Commissioner Orange, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners approve the minutes of the June 10, 2025, regular meeting.

#### OPEN FORUM

Commissioner Burkman asked if anyone had signed up to speak during open forum. CEO Marler stated no one signed up in advance to provide virtual oral comments and stated there was one person who signed up to provide comment.

#### Deken Letinich

Deken Letinich, representing Laborers Local 335, requested the port consider the inclusion of safety language in port contracts and shared an example of such language adopted by the City of Ridgefield.

# **ACTION ITEMS**

E-1 Approve Public Works Contract for Bid 25-14: Berth 13 and 14 Improvements

Ahmed Mohammed, Project Manager presented the action item to 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, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for Bid 25-14: Berth 13 and 14 Improvements, for \$1,505,184 plus applicable Washington State sales tax.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No unfinished business was discussed.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was discussed.

# **CEO REPORT**

No CEO report.

#### **COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

Commissioner Orange stated he attended the following event and provided a brief summary:

Pacific Northwest Waterways Association Summer Conference

Commissioner LaBrant stated he attended the following event and provided a brief summary:

- Partners in Careers 2025 "PICnic" Fundraiser
- Labor Roundtable

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

- Interstate Bridge Replacement Meeting
- Port Tour
- Pacific Northwest Waterways Association Monthly Meeting
- Met with CEO

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

A list of upcoming events was displayed on the screen to highlight staff activities and community meetings. CEO Marler stated the next commission meeting will be held on July 8, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. at the C-Tran Administrative Building, located at 10600 NE 51st Circle, Vancouver, WA 98682.

In addition, she 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.

#### **WORKSHOP**

# External Affairs Community Outreach Program Update

Chief of External Affairs Ryan Hart lead the workshop on the External Affairs Community Outreach Program update. He provided a presentation highlighting the many areas of focus for this year including port tours, sponsorships, events, community fund, and public outreach and involvement. The board commented on the work the team performs and extended their thanks. Hart thanked the commissioners for their continued support of port outreach efforts.

# SIGN DOCUMENTS

The Board signed documents at 10:01 a.m.

# ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE / WORK SESSION

No administrative work session was held during this meeting.

#### <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business to come before the Port of Vancouver USA Board of Commissioners, the Tuesday, June 24, 2025, regular meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m. by Commissioner Burkman.

Betsy Rogers, Executive Assistant, June 24, 2025, Regular Port of Vancouver USA Board of Commission Meeting PORT OF VANCOUVER USA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Jack Burkman, President

Don Orange, Vice President

Eric LaBrant, Secretary