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**APPROVED MINUTES
COMMISSION SPECIAL WORK SESSION DECEMBER 2, 2008**

The Port of Seattle Commission met in a special work session at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, December 2, 2008 in the Commission Chambers at Pier 69, 2711 Alaskan Way, Seattle, WA. Commissioners Bryant, Creighton, Davis, Hara and Tarleton were present.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The special work session was called to order at 11:30 a.m. by John Creighton, Chair and President.

EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to RCW 42.30.110

The special work session was immediately recessed to an executive session for approximately 2 hours to discuss legal risk issues, and reconvened to open public session.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. (00:01:03) Presentation by Speaker Frank Chopp, Washington State Legislature, on Alaskan Way Viaduct replacement option.

Commission [memorandum](#) dated November 24, 2008 from Geri Poor, Regional Transportation Manager

Speaker Chopp provided for the Commission an overview of an option for replacing the Central Waterfront portion of the Alaskan Way Viaduct, one of eight options under study by the City, State and County Viaduct/Seawall replacement team.

A five minute recess was called, and the meeting reconvened to the agenda as follows:

3. (01:09:22) Recognition of Bell Harbor Marina EnviroStars 5-star Award.

Presentation documents: Commission agenda [memorandum](#) dated November 24, 2008 from Joe McWilliams, Managing Director, Real Estate Division and computer slide [presentation](#).

Presenter: Sharon Briggs, Manager, Recreational Boating Services

Ms. Briggs introduced Laurel Tomchik, of King County's Local Hazardous Waste Management Program, who provided background on the Bell Harbor EnviroStars Award, and noted that awards had also previously been presented to Shilshole Bay Marine, Fishermen's Terminal and Harbor Island Marina.

Port staff was acknowledged for the efforts taken which resulted in the EnviroStars Award, and Commissioner Davis suggested that in future similar situations, staff be mentioned not only at the Commission meetings, but also acknowledged within the Commission memos which are posted to the Internet.

Commissioner Davis also suggested that when awards such as the EnviroStars Awards are presented, the information be passed on to other agencies, making them aware of ways in which the Port is being environmentally responsible.

4. (01:21:29) Resolution No. 3609, First Reading. 2009 Salary and Benefit Resolution

Request document: Commission agenda [memorandum](#) dated November 4, 2008 from David Henderson, Senior Manager, Total Compensation

Presenters: Mr. Henderson and Tammy Woodard, Compensation Manager

During the presentation, staff presented information regarding changes made to the pay structure and programs as well as an update on the Port's experience with employees that have been mobilized to active duties over the last seven years.

Commissioner Hara suggested that he would like to see a comparison with other agencies on a per-hourly basis, which would include all benefits received by Port employees, for a more accurate assessment of what the true pay is.

CEO Yoshitani stated that he would have information provided to the Commission regarding Commissioner Hara's questions regarding the Port's salaries and benefits.

Staff commented that it was time to review the Port's compensation philosophy in order to decide whether changes should be implemented for the future.

Following Commission discussion of the proposed resolution, Commissioner Creighton recommended that First Reading be deferred to the next meeting in order to allow more time for commissioners to further consider the implications of the resolution.

5. (01:57:35) Request for authorization to execute long-term agreement with Carnival Corporation and PLC for use of the Port's cruise facilities at Terminal 91 during the 2009 through 2018 cruise seasons.

Request document: Commission agenda [memorandum](#) dated November 26, 2008 from Michael McLaughlin, Director, Cruise and Industrial Properties.

Presenters Mr. McLaughlin and Phil Lutes, Deputy Director, Seaport Division

Motion for approval of Item 5 – Tarleton

Public Testimony regarding Item 5 was received from the following individuals:

- Fred Felleman, Friends of the Earth
- Dan Grausz, Holland America Line

Motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: Bryant, Creighton, Davis, Tarleton (4)

Abstained: Hara (1)

6. (02:44:41) Request for authorization to transfer up to \$500,000 to Puget Sound Clean Air Agency for At-Berth Clean (ABC) Fuels Vessel Incentive Program

Request document: Commission agenda [memorandum](#) dated November 25, 2008 from Phil Lutes, Deputy Director, Seaport Division and Sarah Flagg, Air Quality Program Manager, Seaport Environmental Programs and computer slide [presentation](#)

Presenters: Mr. Lutes and Ms. Flagg

Topics Reviewed:

- Background – The Data
- Northwest Ports Clean Air Strategy
- Program Development
- Program Proposal
- Eligibility
- Audit Process
- Projected Budget
- Estimated Benefits
- Proposed Timeline, 2009
- Next Steps

Motion for approval of Item 6 – Bryant

Public Testimony regarding Item 6 was received from the following individuals:

- Mike Moore, Pacific Merchants Shipping Association
- Fred Felleman, Friends of the Earth

Motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: Bryant, Creighton, Davis, Hara, Tarleton (5)

7. (03:15:15) Briefing on Long-term Plan for Tyee Valley Golf Course

Presentation document: Commission agenda [memorandum](#) dated November 11, 2008 and map from James R. Schone, Director, Aviation Business Development and W. Allan Royal, Manager, Acquisitions and Relocation.

Presenters: Mr. Royal and Bonnie Darch, Aviation Property Manager

Staff provided background information on the Tyee Valley Golf course, which is located within the Runway Protection Zone (RPZ) just south of Sea-Tac Airport, noting that the only two acceptable uses of Port property in the RPZ are as a park or as an environmental mitigation area.

It was also stated that work was currently being done in an attempt to develop the most viable long-term approach for development of the property, including the hiring of Golf Foundation Consulting, Inc. for assistance in evaluating development potential of the site.

Commissioner Davis suggested that before the final decision was made regarding what would be done with the property, the important thing was not to decide *how* to keep a golf course, but rather *whether* we have a golf course or use the property for mitigation.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

(A digital recording of the meeting is available on the Port's website.)

Bill Bryant
Secretary