

ITEM NO: 7b Supp

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MEETING: September 1, 2009

# Review of Proposed Amended Resolution 3605:

- Explain Follow –up to the Resolution's passage.
- •Explain main elements of the new document.
- •Explain how elements differ from the previous Resolution.



## Resolution No.3605 passed

- On August 26, 2008, Port of Seattle Commission passed Resolution 3605.
  - Strengthened the Commission's relationship with the Chief Executive Officer
  - Provided improved oversight of the Port's capital construction programs
  - Clarified when and how staff members must gain the body's approval on Port projects



### Resolution No. 3605 Implementation

- Ensure new Resolution understood and implemented:
  - Presentations to Port departmental working groups
  - Formation of a "Wizards" group for questions and issues involving implementation
  - Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) web page on the Port's Compass Page



### Resolution 3605 Changes for Review

- Replacing and clarifying the term "Authorized Budget Limits"
- Increasing the level of purchased goods requiring Commission approval from \$200,000 to \$500,000
- Authorizing maintenance work up to \$500,000
- Raising all other authorization levels for Commission scrutiny to \$300,000
- Language changes for clarity

## Port Seattle Section 1.5: Removal/replacement of "within Authorized Budget Limits"

- Section 1.5: Removal and replacement of "within Authorized Budget Limits" passage. Term was a holdover from Res. #3181, and undefined.
- New Section 1.8: Enables CEO to exercise his authority "in a manner consistent with the Port's Annual Operating Budget, Annually Approved Capital Budget and Annually Approved Capital Improvement Plan."
- Grants the CEO specific authority to reallocate amounts and incurvariances from the Annual Operating Budget.

### of Seattle Section 1.5: Removal/replacement of "within Authorized Budget Limits"

- Quarterly Reports to Commission on actual results versus budgeted amounts for both revenues and expenses.
- More frequently if there is "a material, negative variance from the Annual Operating Budget, Annually Approved Capital Budget or Annually Approved Capital Improvement Plan."
- When seeking project approval, staff indicates whether project is within Annually Approved Capital Budget and Annually Approved Capital Improvement Plan and, if not, what is funding source.

#### of Seattle Purchased goods and Purchased services

- Gives CEO authority to procure "Goods and Other Services and Purchased Services" up to \$500,000. The current amount set that gives CEO authority up to \$200,000.
- Provision reflects the necessity at times to make major bulk purchases of materials for the day-to-day operation of the Port.
- This is a cost-savings measure because it will allow Port to buy in bulk the goods and services it needs for day-today operations.



#### Authorizing maintenance work up to \$500,000.

- Gives CEO authority for expense maintenance work, whether performed by Port crews or by contract, that is not a public work or non-public work project, up to a value of \$500,000.
- Provides consistency for maintenance work that can't be considered as a capital project or does not fall under the state statute of maintenance.
- A project, would not be included under this section, nor would this include any kind of public or non-public work.

# of Seatification gall authorization levels for Commission approval to \$300,000.

- Current language allows CEO to approve Small Works Construction contracts up to the monetary limit set by R.C.W 53.08.120, which was \$200,000.
- Last legislative session, dollar amount for Small Works projects raised from \$200,000 to \$300,000.
- If left unchanged, it leaves major works, public and non-public, approved by Commission at the current \$200,000 level, while Small Works contracts, normally of smaller scale, being approved at a higher level.
- This change would propose all project and contract approvals be raised to \$300,000, thereby providing across-the-board consistency for all project approvals.

## LANGUAGE CHANGES FOR CLARITY

- > Non-public Work Projects
- > Change Orders
- Small Works and Small Works Change Orders
- Best Bid" definition



### LANGUAGE CHANGES FOR CLARITY

- > Project Changes
- > Personal Services
- > Audit and Accounting Services
- > Affirmative Action



## Next Steps

- Receive Commission feedback on proposed changes to Resolution 3605
- Receive Staff and Executive feedback on proposed changes to Resolution 3605
- Make final edits to Resolution 3605
- Return to the Commission on September 17th for First Reading, and introduce any final edits
- Return sometime in October for Second Reading/Final Passage of the amended Resolution