

**PORT OF SEATTLE**  
**MEMORANDUM**

**COMMISSION AGENDA**

Item No. 4b

Date of Meeting June 26, 2012

**DATE:** June 4, 2011

**TO:** Tay Yoshitani, Chief Executive Officer

**FROM:** Chief Colleen Wilson

**SUBJECT:** Special Order of Business – Recognition of the POSPD 2012 Officer of the Year

The Port of Seattle Police Department (POSPD) respectfully requests the recognition of our 2012 Officer of the Year, Steven Ivey.

Detective Ivey has been selected by his peers as the 2012 Officer of the Year. This award was established to recognize officers who have demonstrated exceptional achievement, the highest standards of competence and professionalism, and shown a genuine commitment to their profession, the department, and the public we serve. His entire chain of command joins me in affirming that he is absolutely the person to represent these values.

Detective Ivey's nominations tell us that he *"maintains a team approach to the Criminal Investigations Division....and as such is always willing to assist other members of CID."* *"He has shown true leadership throughout his career at POSPD by mentoring others, providing feedback to detectives, patrol officers and the public."* We learned from his nomination that he will voice his concerns about issues and most importantly, will offer solutions to problems. Detective Ivey has filled in as Acting Sergeant on numerous occasions because of his experience, leadership and ability to accomplish the mission of the POSPD.

In addition to his regular duties, Detective Ivey has maintained his membership and commitment to the POSPD's Dive Team where, once again, he has consistently displayed his leadership and professional capabilities. Last year numerous "live" and "spent" World War II and Vietnam War era shells were located underwater around the cruise ship terminals. As a member of the dive team, Detective Ivey spent many hours underwater attempting to locate and recover the shells – a dangerous task.

Detective Ivey constantly and consistently displays leadership, integrity and accountability. He is a humble leader of the POSPD. He is truly one of the primary reasons that POSPD is the "nation's finest port police department" and very deserving of the honor as the 2012 Officer of the Year.