

38 **WHEREAS**, the Port of Seattle Commission adopted recommendations of the
39 Committee on December 19, 2017, directing staff to develop a Sustainability Project
40 Framework to assist the port in meeting its greenhouse gas reduction and sustainability goals
41 by integrating sustainability considerations into key Port decisions is essential to achieving the
42 Port’s long-term environmental and sustainability goals; and

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44 **WHEREAS**, integrating sustainability into capital and operational decisions early in the
45 process building can reduce or eliminate negative environmental impacts, and can create
46 positive impacts on our climate and natural environment; and

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48 **WHEREAS**, the Sustainability Project Framework is also intended to increase
49 transparency for the public and Port leadership regarding energy and sustainability related
50 decision making on Port projects; and

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52 **WHEREAS**, transparency for the public is a bedrock principle of this policy, the
53 Commission will review in public alternatives and trade-offs that describe how a project can
54 meet its GHG and sustainability goals; and

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56 **WHEREAS**, to further support transparency the Commission will review in public how
57 those sustainability goals are being accomplished and annually review upcoming large projects
58 that will likely come for authorization in any given year; and

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60 **WHEREAS**, the policy will give the Port Commission the ability to transparently
61 authorize sustainability decisions for capital, operational decisions, procurement and leases by
62 considering short term financial implications and long term environmental and societal
63 benefits; and

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65 **WHEREAS**, the Port of Seattle’s focus on equity issues obligates the Port to consider its
66 impact on society and to collaborate with communities to promote diversity, inclusion, and
67 equity;

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69 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Port of Seattle Commission:

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71 The Port of Seattle hereby directs the Executive Director to implement the Sustainable
72 Evaluation Framework Policy Directive attached as Exhibit A.

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ADOPTED by the Port of Seattle Commission at a duly noticed public meeting thereof, held this _____ day of _____, 2020, and duly authenticated in open session by the signatures of the commissioners voting in favor thereof and the seal of the commission.

Port of Seattle Commission

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