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PORT COMMISSIONERS:

Toby Goddard Dennis Smith Reed Geisreiter Stephen Reed Darren Gertler

Special Public Session of January 13, 2022

Santa Cruz Port Commission MINUTES

Commission Members Present (via teleconference):

Reed Geisreiter Chairman
Darren Gertler Vice-chairman
Dennis Smith Commissioner
Stephen Reed Commissioner
Toby Goddard Commissioner

SPECIAL PUBLIC SESSION

Chairman Geisreiter convened the special public session at 5:02 PM via teleconference.

1. Oral Communication

Chairman Goddard reported that he will attend CMANC's 2022 Winter Virtual Meeting, on January 20, 2022.

2. Approval of Resolution 22-01, Authorizing the Santa Cruz Port Commission to Conduct Teleconference Meetings in Accordance with Assembly Bill 361 as a Result of the Continuing COVID-19 Pandemic State of Emergency

Discussion:

Chairman Geisreiter stated that due to the changing circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic, he is supportive of conducting Port Commission meetings virtually in the interest of public health and safety. Commissioner Reed agreed.

Port Director MacLaurie stated that pursuant to AB 361, once Resolution 22-01 is adopted, the District may meet virtually for a maximum period of 30 days. She stated that each month, prior to expiration of the 30-day period, the District must renew its resolution in order to continue meeting virtually under the modified rules of the Brown Act.

MOTION:

Motion made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Goddard to approve Resolution 22-01.

- Motion carried unanimously by roll call.

Gertler: YES
Smith: YES
Reed: YES
Goddard: YES
Geisreiter: YES

3. Review of the Draft LCP

Discussion:

Port Director MacLaurie stated that the City of Santa Cruz is in the process of updating its Local Coastal Program (LCP) for approval by the California Coastal Commission, which is anticipated to occur in March or April of 2022.

Port Director MacLaurie stated that the Harbor Development Plan, which is a guiding document only, is included in the LCP and incorporates revisions made by the Commission in 2015. Other minor amendments have been made to bring the document current.

The Commission reviewed the updated draft of the Harbor Development Plan. There was consensus among the Commission to make the following updates/changes:

- Allow for the potential increase in square footage for the planned restaurant building to be located at 616 Atlantic Avenue (referenced in 3 places in the draft plan)
- Page V-31: Add a checkmark in the column of "South West Harbor" for "Uses: Marine/Visitor Commercial"
- Pages V-19 and V-20: Correct the total number of bicycle spaces from 70 to 45

Audience member Linda Wilshusen requested that the Commission consider designating an additional public restroom in the northwest harbor.

In response to a question posed by Commissioner Reed, Port Director MacLaurie stated that she will inquire with the City about whether public comments will be made available for Commission review.

Chairman Geisreiter the special public session at 5:28 PM.

Reed Geisreiter, Chairman