Special Public & Special Closed Session of July 10, 2017

Santa Cruz Port Commission
MINUTES

Commissioners Present:
Toby Goddard  Chairman (delayed arrival)
Dennis Smith  Vice-Chairman
Reed Geisreiter  Commissioner
Stephen Reed  Commissioner

Commissioners Absent
Darren Gertler  Commissioner

SPECIAL PUBLIC SESSION – 5:00 PM

Vice-chairman Smith brought the special public session to order at 5:05 PM at the Santa Cruz Harbor Office Conference Room, 135 5th Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95062.

1. Oral Communication (There was no discussion during Oral Communication)

2. Consider Award or Rejection of Contract for Pile Repair & Replacement Project (Phase I)

Discussion: Port Director Olin stated that a request for proposals (RFP) for the Pile Repair and Replacement Project (Phase I) was advertised, commencing June 14, 2017. Port Director Olin stated that one bid was received from Bellingham Marine Industries, Inc. (BMI) in the amount of $312,500.

Port Director Olin reviewed BMI’s bid proposal, noting that the total project cost is considerably higher than the District’s original estimates and results in a per pile costs of $19,531. She stated that BMI has submitted an alternate bid, which revises the scope of work to include repair and replacement of additional piles, resulting in a lower per pile costs to the District.

Port Director Olin stated that $200,817 is currently allocated in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for this project. She stated that this amount is not adequate to fund Phase I of the project as proposed, so supplemental funding options will need to be reviewed. She stated that supplemental funding options may include $327,000 in the CIP that is currently unallocated and cash reserves.
Additionally, Port Director Olin stated that funding the piling replacement project at a level of $65,000 per year in FY 19, 20, 21, and 22, should be reassessed and increased as part of next year’s budget process to ensure adequate funding exists to complete the project.

Port Director Olin recommended that the Commission reject the contract and modify the project’s scope and place the project out to bid at a future date in 2018. She stated that permit extensions will allow for the work to be completed through November 30, 2022, with a work window of June 1 to November 30, each year of the permit.

Commissioner Reed and Commissioner Geisreiter questioned whether the integrity and condition of the piles identified for replacement will withstand 1-3 additional years in the elements. Facilities Maintenance and Engineering Manager Kerkus stated that he anticipates that the piles will last through 2017, but noted that it is imperative to complete this project as soon as possible. Port Director Olin stated that in-house crews may obtain permits to driver replacement piles on an emergency basis, in the event a piling failure occurs.

There was consensus among the Commission to reject the bid and re-advertise the project in early 2018, with a revised, larger scope of work. The Commission directed staff to re-advertise the project in a way that will result in a larger number of responsive bidders.

MOTION: Motion made by Commissioner Geisreiter, seconded by Commissioner Reed to reject the contract for Pile Repair & Replacement Project (Phase I).
- Motion carried. Commissioner Gertler ABSENT.

3. Announcement of Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code (Ralph M. Brown Act) Section 54956.8

At 5:49 PM, Chairman Goddard announced the Commission will meet in closed session to discuss agenda item 4.

SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION

4. Conference with Real Property Negotiators
   Property: 616 Atlantic Avenue
   Agency Designated Representative: M. Olin
   Negotiating Parties: Aldo’s Restaurant
SPECIAL PUBLIC SESSION

5 Action and Vote Disclosure after Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code (Ralph M. Brown Act) Section 54957.1.

Chairman Goddard announced that the Commission took no reportable action in closed session on item 4.

Chairman Goddard adjourned the special open session following the closed meeting at 7:07 PM.

Toby Goddard, Chairman