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APPROVED MINUTES COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

May 13, 2025

The Port of Seattle Commission met in a regular meeting Tuesday, May 13, 2025. The meeting was held at the Port of Seattle Headquarters Building Commission Chambers, located at 2711 Alaska Way, Seattle Washington, and virtually on Microsoft Teams.

1. CALL to ORDER

The meeting was convened at 10:32 a.m. by Commission President Toshiko Hasegawa.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to RCW 42.30.110

The public meeting recessed into executive session to discuss two items regarding Litigation/Potential Litigation/Legal Risk per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and National Security per RCW 42.30.110(1)(a)(i) for approximately 60 minutes, with the intention of reconvening the public session at 12:00 p.m. Following the executive session, the public meeting reconvened at 12:04 p.m. Commission President Toshiko Hasegawa led the flag salute.

3. APPROVAL of the AGENDA

The agenda was approved, as amended, with Agenda Item 8j removed from the Consent Agenda.

4. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

4a. Proclamation Recognizing May as Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

Requested document(s) included a proclamation.

Presenter(s):

Erica Chung, Commission Strategic Advisor, Commission Office
Vy Donnelly, Assistant Director, Aviation Finance and Budget
Alpa Olszewski, Senior Engineering Design Technician, Design Services
Tania Park, EDI System Change Program Manager, Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

Clerk Hart read Item 4a into the record and Executive Director Metruck introduced the item.

Members of the Port Employee Resource Group HAPI read the proclamation into the record.

Members of the Commission thanked HAPI representatives for their reading and representation; spoke in favor of the proclamation, to their support for equity, diversity, and inclusion, and to uplifting diverse communities.

The motion, made by Commissioner Cho, carried by the following vote:

In favor: Calkins, Cho, Felleman, Hasegawa, and Mohamed (5)

Opposed: (0)

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Metruck previewed items on the day's agenda and made general and meeting-related announcements.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports presented.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

- The following person spoke in support of the Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion and thanked the Port for its continued support of its values in this regard: Ed Goodman, port employee.
- The following person spoke in support of Port cargo and cruise operations and with respect to REAL ID requirements and acceptable forms of identification: Ron Manwell, ILWU.
- The following person spoke regarding Agenda Item 10a and construction projects included within the bond action, noting the impacts on near-airport community residents: Brian Davis, Burien resident.
- In lieu of spoken comment, written comment expressing appreciation for the Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion at the Port and the Port's commitment to its values and support of its employees was submitted by: Matt Breed, port employee.
- In lieu of spoken comment, written comment regarding the proposed disposal of the Paragon outdoor sculpture located at the Port's shoreside park along the Duwamish River and asking the Port to speak on behalf of its preservation was submitted by: Bill Farmer, art advocate.

[Clerk's Note: All written comments are combined and attached here as Exhibit A.]

8. CONSENT AGENDA

[Clerk's Note: Items on the Consent Agenda are not individually discussed. Commissioners may remove items for separate discussion and vote when approving the agenda.]

8a. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2025.

8b. Monthly Notification of Prior Executive Director Delegation Actions April 2025.

Request document(s) included an agenda memorandum for information only.

- 8c. Authorization for the Executive Director to Execute a Sole Source Contract with Alstom Transport USA Inc. for On-Site Technical Services Support for the Satellite Transit System at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, for a Base Contract of Five Years' Duration with Five One-Year Optional Extensions, for a Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$5,200,000.**

Request document(s) included an agenda memorandum.

- 8d. Authorization for the Executive Director to Authorize Additional Funding in the Amount of \$350,000 to Complete Additional Scope of Work for the Construction of the Entry Area to the Former Highliner at the C-15 Building at Fishermen's Terminal as Part of the Fisherman's Terminal ADA Compliance Project, for a Total ADA Phase 2 Estimated Project Cost of \$1,605,899. (CIP #C801198).**

Request document(s) included an agenda memorandum.

- 8e. Authorization for the Executive Director to Execute a New Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Port of Seattle and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 117, Representing Police Sergeants at the Police Department for the Port of Seattle Covering the Period from January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2027.**

Request document(s) included an agenda memorandum and agreement.

- 8f. Authorization for the Executive Director to Increase Project Funding to Allow for Completion of Procuring Airfield Snow Equipment, in the Requested Amount of \$600,000, for a Total Estimated Project Cost of \$12,570,000. (CIP #C801227).**

Request document(s) included an agenda memorandum.

- 8g. Authorization to Execute Settlement Agreement for Recovery of Cleanups Costs at Terminal 91.**

Request document(s) included an agenda memorandum.

- 8h. Authorization for the Executive Director to Execute a Contract Extension with Passur for its Noise Monitoring and Flight Tracking System for a Period Not-to-Exceed Ten Years in the Contract Extension Amount Not-to-Exceed \$4,000,000.**

Request document(s) included an agenda memorandum.

- 8i. Authorization for the Executive Director to Take All Steps Necessary to Complete the 3rd Floor Ground Transportation Booth Enhancements Project at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, in the Increased Amount of \$1,200,000, for a Total Authorization Amount of \$5,000,000. (CIP #C801128).**

Request document(s) included an agenda memorandum and presentation.

- 8j¹. ~~Commission Determination that a Competitive Process is Not Appropriate or Cost Effective in Accordance with RCW 53.19.020(5) and Authorization for the Executive Director to Execute a Contract with Maritime Blue for the Quiet Sound Program in the Requested Amount of \$250,000.~~

~~Request document(s) included an agenda memorandum and presentation.~~

The motion for approval of consent agenda items 8a, 8b, 8c, 8d, 8e, 8f, 8g, 8h, and 8i carried by the following vote:

In favor: Calkins, Cho, Felleman, Hasegawa, and Mohamed (5)

Opposed: (0)

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

- 8j. Commission Determination that a Competitive Process is Not Appropriate or Cost Effective in Accordance with RCW 53.19.020(5) and Authorization for the Executive Director to Execute a Contract with Maritime Blue for the Quiet Sound Program in the Requested Amount of \$250,000.

Request document(s) included an agenda memorandum and presentation.

Presenter(s):

Sarah Ogier, Director, Maritime Environment and Sustainability
Jon Sloan, Senior Manager, Environmental Programs

Clerk Hart read Item 8j into the record and Executive Director Metruck introduced the item.

The motion to approve Agenda Item 8j was made by Commissioner Felleman.

The motion, to postpone Item 8j to a time certain of June 10, 2025, made by Commissioner Felleman, carried by the following vote:

In favor: Calkins, Cho, Felleman, Hasegawa, and Mohamed (5)

Opposed: (0)

[Clerk's Note: This item will come back for consideration on June 10, 2025, under 'Unfinished Business.']

¹ Agenda Item 8j was removed from the Consent

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business presented.

At this time, Executive Director Metruck and Members of the Commission recognized Dan Thomas, Chief Financial Officer for the Port, in his pending retirement. They spoke regarding the financial accomplishments of the Port during his tenure and regarding Dan's long history with the Port.

10. NEW BUSINESS

10a. Introduction of Resolution No. 3837: A Resolution of the Commission of the Port of Seattle Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Intermediate Lien Revenue and Refunding Bonds in One or More Series (the "2025 Revenue Bonds"), in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Not-to-Exceed \$950,000,000 for the Purposes of Financing Capital Improvements to Aviation Facilities and Refunding Certain Outstanding Revenue Bonds of the Port; Setting Forth Certain Bond Terms and Covenants; and Delegating Authority to Approve Final Terms and Conditions and the Sale of the Bonds.

Requested document(s) included an agenda memorandum, resolution, and presentation.

Presenter(s):

Scott Bertram, Manager, Finance and Budget

Clerk Hart read Item 10a into the record and Executive Director Metruck introduced the item.

The presentation addressed:

- sale and issuance of intermediate lien revenue and refunding bonds;
- the Draft Plan of Finance anticipates the use of new revenue bonds to fund \$3.4 billion of Airport capital investments from 2025-2029;
- purpose of the bonds – funding for capital projects and refunding of existing bonds;
- funding airport capital investments;
- next steps – meeting with the credit rating agencies; bond sale scheduling; and bond closing scheduled for August 21, 2025.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- status of the bond market;
- legacy rates on bonds and variation;
- where projected savings on the bond sale comes from and terms of the bonds;
- debt service ratio taken into consideration;
- contingencies included in the package, including funding of debt service reserve;
- projects included not increasing capacity; and
- community engagement around the projects included.

The motion, made by Commissioner Cho, carried by the following vote:

In favor: Calkins, Cho, Felleman, Hasegawa, and Mohamed (5)

Opposed: (0)

11. PRESENTATIONS AND STAFF REPORTS

11a. S Concourse Evolution Base Building Remaining Design Funds and Facilitating Projects Construction Briefing.

Presentation document(s) included an agenda memorandum and presentation.

Presenter(s):

Arif Ghouse, Interim Aviation Managing Director, Aviation Director's Office
Keri Stephens, Director, Aviation Facilities and Capital Programs

Clerk Hart read Item 11a into the record and Executive Director Metruck introduced the item.

The presentation addressed:

- the S Concourse Evolution Project (SCE) - part of Upgrade SEA;
- project collaboration is ongoing across airport teams to align efforts and ensure successful delivery;
- pre-construction engagement will include media events, stakeholder tours, and updates via social media and the project website;
- the scope of the project to renew the existing S Concourse facility to support airport operations for another 50 years;
- current design;
- facilitating projects addressing construction impacts;
- Gate A6 modifications to support wide-body types of international aircraft;
- project schedule; and
- next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- concerns related to funding commitments;
- prioritizing capital programs budgets;
- completing the upgrade for safety and security;
- new airport, dining, and retail opportunities in the base building; and
- management of gate utilization.

11b. 2024 Environment and Sustainability Annual Report.

Presentation document(s) included an agenda memorandum and presentation.

Presenter(s):

Sandra Kilroy, Senior Director, Environment and Sustainability
Sarah Cox, Director, Aviation Environment and Sustainability
Sarah Ogier, Director, Maritime Environment and Sustainability
Mallory Hauser, Manager, Environment and Sustainability Communications and Reporting

Clerk Hart read Item 11b into the record and Executive Director Metruck introduced the item.

The presentation addressed:

- building a sustainable and resilient Port;
- 2024 accomplishments in reporting categories – healthy lands and habitat; cleaning up contaminated sites; protecting water quality; reducing waste; charting the course to zero emissions; building resilient and sustainable infrastructure; environmental permitting and planning; lessening the impact of aircraft noise; practicing equity, diversity; and inclusion; and engaging the community;
- awards and recognitions; and
- looking ahead in sustainability, land and water, and noise management.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- year-over-year comparison of data to show the progression of emissions reductions;
- mitigation credits;
- providing a graphic that shows scopes 1, 2, and 3 emissions together; and
- status of noise mitigation in 2025.

11c. 2024 Annual Report for the Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion.

Presentation document(s) included an agenda memorandum, report and presentation.

Presenter(s):

Bookda Gheisar, Senior Director, Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion
Jay Doran, EDI Policy and Communications Program Manager, Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion
Tania Park, EDI System Change Program Manager, Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

Clerk Hart read Item 11c into the record and Executive Director Metruck introduced the item.

The presentation addressed:

- background of equity program implementation at the Port;
- equity policy directive elements;
- systems change and organizational transformation;
- results-based accountability;
- the belonging and inclusion survey;
- 2025 work and priorities; and
- next steps.

Members of the Commission thanked the Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion team for their work. Discussion ensued regarding the Port's commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion and defending against attacks on these programs.

12. QUESTIONS on REFERRAL to COMMITTEE and CLOSING COMMENTS

Commissioner Felleman congratulated both Chief Financial Officer Dan Thomas and Environmental Program Manager George Blomberg on their upcoming retirements; and separately, congratulated Commissioners running for office unopposed in 2025.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:04 p.m.

Prepared:

Michelle M. Hart, Commission Clerk

Minutes approved: May 27, 2025

Attest:

Sam Cho, Commission Secretary



Public Comment in Support of the Port's EDI Efforts - for the May 13th meeting

From Breed, Matt <Breed.M@portseattle.org>

Date Sat 5/10/2025 3:24 PM

To Commission-Public-Records <commission-public-records@portseattle.org>

I wanted to express my appreciation for Bookda Gheisar and the staff of the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

Bookda's EDI efforts blazed a trail, not just for the Port of Seattle, but also for the region. She and her team have approached EDI in a way that inspires engagement, does not alienate, and is sustainable over time. This approach ensures long term engagement, continuous improvement, and challenges us all to understand each other's perspectives and to seek new ways to expand diversity, equity, and inclusion.

To be a successful and resilient organization, it is imperative that we engage as many perspectives as possible. That is only achieved by having a diverse workforce and in engaging all parts of our community. Bookda and her team have successfully built this into the fabric of our organization and continuously challenge us to be vigilant against complacency and against attempts to unwind the progress that has been made.

Sincerely,

Matt Breed
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Port of Seattle



[EXTERNAL] Save Paragon Public Art on Duwamish River

From Bill Farmer <farmerbill3@gmail.com>

Date Mon 5/12/2025 10:33 AM

To Commission-Public-Records <commission-public-records@portseattle.org>

Cc Bill Farmer <farmerbill3@gmail.com>

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Dear Port of Seattle Commissioners - I am writing in regard to the proposed and potentially impending destruction and disposal of the Paragon outdoor sculpture located at the Port's shoreside park along the Duwamish River, formerly called the T-107 site and the historical location of a Duwamish village. I do not know the artist but since learning of the predicament of mixed ownership/responsibilities between the Port and the City of Seattle, specifically the Office of Arts and Culture (ARTS), I totally agree with Don Fels' position that this artwork can and should be restored and preserved. I love this sculpture and the stories that it tells. We are in this position at least partially through the inaction of ARTS in maintaining the sculpture over the past 20 years as they were obligated to do. And now ARTS is reportedly recommending that the sculpture be removed for safety reasons. There are other options - ARTS and the Port just need to be willing to get creative and use some resources that are available for restoring the artwork, including free/pro bono efforts. Don is certainly willing to contribute to preserving the history of local shipbuilding and the story of the Duwamish Peoples displaced by Seattle's urban development. The City and Port should not be taking actions to mute this history. The nearby Nucor steel plant is enthusiastically ready to provide free crane and other services to remove the ship sculpture for refurbishment. Seattle Parks Foundation has fundraising and other resources that could be brought to the table.

The most critical activity is Tuesday's meeting of the Seattle Art Commission at 4pm where the issue of the Paragon will be taken up. I am respectfully requesting that the Port of Seattle Commissioners take a position at their meeting Tuesday at noon to at least delay the decision to dispose of the Paragon and hopefully express their support for public art, especially on their property. The ownership and contractual obligations regarding Paragon are not well documented and need to be better understood before rash actions are taken to remove the sculpture. Please save the Paragon!

Sincerely, Bill Farmer/Long-Time Seattle Parks Advocate