

# PORT OF PORT TOWNSEND Strategic Plan Update - 2024





## **UPDATING THE PORT'S STRATEGIC PLAN**





#### Why Did the Port Adopt the Plan?

- To better inform the public about the role of the Port.
- To develop a clear vision and objectives to guide decision-making.
- To understand, and be responsive to, community needs.

#### When was it adopted? Has it been changed?

- First adopted in March of 2010.
- Changes considered (but not adopted) in summer of 2015.
- Changes discussed most recently at Commission Retreat in May of 2022



#### **Key Themes**

- Fix Aging Infrastructure First
- Ensure Fair and Transparent Budgetary Practices and Facilities Management
- *Pro-Active Stewardship of the Environment*
- Pursue Sustainable Economic Development Opportunities
- Improve Communications, Public Relations and Customer Service





# **PROJECT OVERVIEW** *Targeted Amendments ("Don't meddle with success!")*





Project Scope: Streamline, simplify and update the 2010 Plan
What to Retain: Keep core direction – "Triple Bottom Line" emphasis
What to Add: Guidance addressing Transition, Resilience and Climate
Proposed Schedule: Review and adopt by the end of 2024



- **2010 Plan:** Founded on hundreds of hours of stakeholder and citizen involvement
- Five "Key Themes": The "Strategic Directions" of the 2010 Plan continue to guide our decision-making today
- **2015 Draft a "Springboard":** 2015 Draft Amendments can be our starting point to simplify, clarify and eliminate redundancies

### • Summary Approach:

- Modest changes based on the 2015 draft
- Core policy direction retained from 2010
- Policies added to address environmental leadership, climate change & resilience



## **"TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE" REMAINS CENTRAL:** Balancing Economic, Environmental & Social Consequences





# ABBREVIATED PUBLIC PROCESS RECOMMENDED

- **Stakeholder Advisory Group:** *Three (3) meetings to review staff draft and recommend modifications.*
- **Port Webpage:** Maintain a "Strategic Plan Update" webpage to provide information & solicit additional feedback.
- **Commission Workshop:** Commission review Recommended Draft and consideration of additional changes.
- **Commission Regular Meeting:** Adopt Plan by Resolution at regular meeting prior to annual budget process.

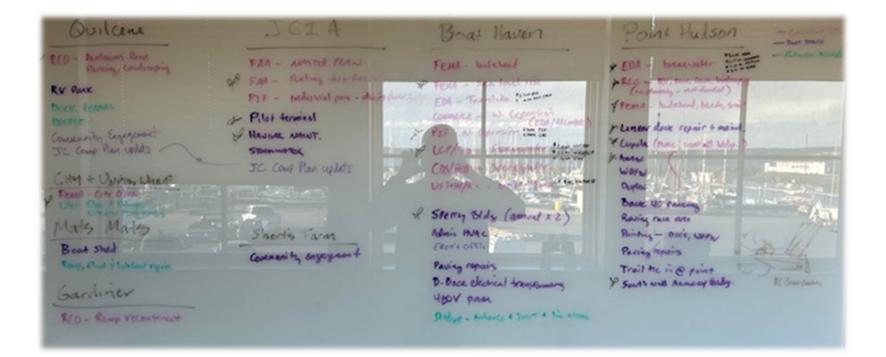




- ✓ Make the Plan more accessible easier to read and understand
- ✓ Incorporate new guidance to help steer the Port in an era of uncertainty
- ✓ Affirm the five "Strategic Directions" as a framework for sound Port decisionmaking
- ✓ Affirm support for the "Triple Bottom Line" decision-making process for evaluating and prioritizing Port actions
- ✓ Continue to bolster relationships with stakeholders and community



#### Didn't we provide staff with direction on this issue before?!





### **April/May:** *Revised Draft Strategic Plan prepared for public review*

**May/June:** Draft Plan and Stakeholder Process Resolution reviewed at Commission Workshop Meeting

**June/July:** Stakeholder Advisory Group Appointed - Planning Process Resolution Adopted at Commission Regular Meeting

August/September: Stakeholder Advisory Group Meetings (3) to review draft

**September/October:** *Revised Draft Plan and Advisory Group Recommendations presented and discussed at Commission Workshop Meeting* 

**October/November:** *Commission Regular Meeting – discussions/deliberations and adoption* 



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