

RESOLUTION NO. 769-22

A Resolution of the Commission of the Port of Port Townsend

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE PORT OF PORT TOWNSEND TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, SEEKING AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (AIP) GRANT FUNDS TO SUPPORT PRECONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING FOR A 2nd CONNECTOR TAXIWAY AT THE JEFFERSON COUNTY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ASSURING THAT IT WILL COMPLY WITH ALL UNDERSTANDINGS AND ASSURANCES OF SUCH GRANT AGREEMENT AND ASSURING FURTHER THAT LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE AND AUTHORIZED.

WHEREAS, the Port of Port Townsend is a municipal corporation established in 1924 under Title 53 of the Revised Code of Washington; and

WHEREAS, under RCW 53, the Port of Port Townsend is responsible for developing and maintaining infrastructure that fosters economic development, providing transportation facilities that support commerce and communities within Jefferson County; and

WHEREAS, under RCW §53.08.020 the Port of Port Townsend is specifically authorized to construct, purchase, acquire, lease, maintain and operate air transfer and terminal facilities subject to all applicable state and federal laws; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Port Townsend considers it to be in the best interests of the public to apply for financial assistance through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Program (AIP) to substantially fund "Phase I" of the 2nd Connector Taxiway Project (i.e., preconstruction engineering and permitting) at the Jefferson County International Airport (JCIA);

WHEREAS, the grant agreement for FAA/AIP financial assistance imposes certain obligations and conditions upon the applicant Port, and requires the Port to provide certain specific assurances, among them the availability of sufficient funds for its portion of the project costs; and

WHEREAS, the Port anticipates that the total project cost for the preconstruction design engineering associated with the 2nd Connector Taxiway will not exceed \$166,666 of which 90% (\$150,000) would be provided through FAA AIP grant monies, with the remaining amount to be provided through a combination of Port of Port Townsend matching funds and WSDOT Aviation Division Airport Aid grant monies (i.e., up to \$16,666); and

WHEREAS, the Port had cash reserves for capital projects of \$834,976 on March 31, 2022, and therefore has the matching funds available to cover its share of project costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Port Commission of the Port of Port Townsend, as follows:

1. Port Executive Director, Eron Berg, or his designee, is authorized to execute and file such documents as may be necessary for the application and award of Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grant assistance for Phase I of the 2nd Connector Taxiway Project on behalf of the Port of Port Townsend with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). This authorization expressly includes the AIP Certifications and Assurances for Airport Sponsors.
2. Port Executive Director, Eron Berg, or his designee, is further authorized to administer the Port's previously promulgated Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program for the Port of Port Townsend, a DOT/FAA requirement for all AIP supported projects exceeding \$250,000, which will ensure that small businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals are provided a fair opportunity to compete for federally funded contracts involving the JCIA.
3. Any AIP grant assistance received will be used for direct costs associated with implementation of the project referenced above.
4. Upon consultation with the Port's Director of Finance and Administration, S. Abigail Berg, the Commission of the Port of Port Townsend has concluded, and hereby assures the FAA,

that local matching funds are available and have been authorized for the above-referenced 2nd Connector Taxiway Project.


5. This Resolution becomes part of a formal application to the FAA for AIP grant assistance.
6. The Commission provided an opportunity for public comments on this grant application during its April 27, 2022, regular meeting, has given fair consideration to the interest of residents in proximity to the project area, has ensured that affected parties that use the JCIA have been informed and consulted during the development of the taxiway project, and will continue to inform and consult with affected parties during the work conducted under this AIP grant.

ADOPTED this 27th day of April 2022, by the Commission of the Port of Port Townsend and duly authenticated in open session by the signatures of the Commissioners voting in favor thereof and the Seal of the Commission duly affixed.

ATTEST:



Peter W. Hanke, Secretary




Pamela A. Petranek, President



Carol L. Hasse, Vice President



APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Port Attorney