

RESOLUTION NO. 795-23

A Resolution of the Commission of the Port of Port Townsend

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE PORT OF PORT TOWNSEND TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, AND THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, SEEKING GRANT FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE NEW CONNECTOR TAXIWAY A3 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 the New Connector Taxiway A3, Install Signs Project (i.e., construction and construction administration) at the Jefferson County International Airport (JCIA);

WHEREAS, the Port of Port Townsend consider it to be in the best interest of the public to apply for financial assistance through the 2023 Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Airport Aid Grant Program to substantially fund the New Connector Taxiway A3, Install Signs Project (i.e., construction and construction administration) at the Jefferson County International Airport (JCIA);

WHEREAS, the both the grant agreements with FAA and WSDOT impose 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 construction and construction management associated with the New Connector Taxiway A3 will not exceed \$870,999 of which 90% (\$783,899) 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 \$87,100); and

WHEREAS, the Port Net Operating Income is sufficient for 2023, 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 the New Connector Taxiway A3, Install Signs Project and to execute grant agreements on behalf of the Port of Port Townsend with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). 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 element of New Connector Taxiway A3, Install Signs 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 July 12, 2023 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 12th day of July 2023, 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:


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