



Special Closed and Regular Public Session of June 27, 2023

**Santa Cruz Port Commission
MINUTES**

Commission Members Present:

Darren Gertler	Chair
Stephen Reed	Vice-chair
Dennis Smith	Commissioner
Toby Goddard	Commissioner (<i>via Zoom</i>)
Reed Geisreiter	Commissioner

SPECIAL PUBLIC SESSION – 5:30 PM

Chair Gertler convened the special public session at 5:30 PM at the Harbor Public Meeting Room, 365 A Lake Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA (hybrid meeting platform).

1. Oral Communication
2. Announcement of Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code (Ralph M. Brown Act) §54956.8

At 5:30 PM, Chair Gertler announced that the Commission will meet in closed session to discuss agenda item 3.

SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION

3. Conference with Real Property Negotiators
Property: 616 Atlantic Avenue
Agency Designated Representative: H. MacLaurie
Negotiating Parties: None
Under Negotiation: Lease Terms

SPECIAL PUBLIC SESSION

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

Chair Gertler announced that the Commission took no reportable action in closed session on item 3.

Chair Gertler adjourned the special open session following the closed meeting at 6:45 PM.

REGULAR PUBLIC SESSION

Chair Gertler convened the regular public session at the Harbor Public Meeting Room, 365 A Lake Avenue, Santa Cruz CA (hybrid meeting platform).

5. Pledge of Allegiance
6. Oral Communication

Chair Gertler announced that the Commission took no reportable action in closed session on item 3.

Facilities Maintenance & Engineering Manager Wulf requested that the Commission consider adjusting the regular public meeting start time from 7:00 PM to 5:30 PM.

There was a consensus among a majority of the Commission to consider the request at a future meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

7. Approval of Minutes
 - a) Special Closed, Public Hearing, & Regular Public Meeting of May 23, 2023
8. Approval of Lease Amendment for UCSC Community Boating Program

MOTION: Motion made by Commissioner Geisreiter, seconded by Vice-chair Reed to approve consent agenda items 7 and 8.
- *Motion carried unanimously.*

REGULAR AGENDA

9. Consideration of 6-Pak Charter Permit Application – Ocean Safaris (J. Moskito)

Discussion: Harbormaster Anderson requested that the Commission consider authorization of a 6-pak charter operation in the northeast harbor. He stated that approval of this request would have minimal impact in the area.

Mr. Moskito thanked the Commission for their consideration of his request.

Commissioner Smith expressed support for approving the proposed charter operation. Chair Gertler agreed.

MOTION: Motion made by Commissioner Geisreiter, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize a 6-pak charter operation for James Moskito of Ocean Safaris.
- *Motion carried unanimously.*

10. Consideration of 6-Pak Charter Permit Application – Cod Mountain Fish Co. (G. Webb)

Discussion: Harbormaster Anderson requested that the Commission consider authorization of a 6-pak charter operation in the southeast harbor (S-Dock). He stated that there are currently three other charters operating from S-Dock and an alternative location on R-Dock can be considered, if the Commission has concerns about the number of charters operating from a single dock.

Mr. Webb thanked the Commission for their consideration of his request and expressed that he is agreeable to either slip location (S-Dock / R-Dock).

MOTION: Motion made by Commissioner Goddard, seconded by Commissioner Geisreiter to authorize a 6-pak charter operation on S-Dock for Greg Webb of Cod Mountain Fish Company.
- *Motion carried unanimously.*

11. Authorization of the Purchase of a New Boiler Heating Unit – 2222 East Cliff Drive (NTE \$31,000)

Discussion: Port Director MacLaurie recommended that the Commission authorize the purchase of a new boiler unit, rather than spend \$7,000 on a potentially ineffective repair. She stated that the boiler unit is in stock and has a minimal lead time for installation.

In response to a question posed by Commissioner Smith, Port Director MacLaurie confirmed that a contingency amount is not anticipated for this purchase.

MOTION: Motion made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice-chair Reed to authorize the purchase of a new boiler unit for 2222 East Cliff Drive in an amount not to exceed \$31,000.
- *Motion carried unanimously.*

12. Approval of Resolution 23-06 – Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA) Election Ballot for Board of Directors

Discussion: Port Director MacLaurie requested that the Commission provide direction to staff on casting the Port District's vote(s) for candidates for the SDRMA Board of Directors election and approve Resolution 23-06.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the background of the candidates and their qualifications. There was consensus among a majority of the Commission to cast votes for the incumbent candidates (Claypool, Swan, and Seifert-Raffelson).

MOTION: Motion made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Geisreiter to approve Resolution 23-06, casting votes for SDRMA Board of Directors candidates Claypool, Swan, and Seifert-Raffelson.
- *Motion carried unanimously.*

13. Approval of Cash / Payroll Disbursements – May 2023 (*There was no discussion on this agenda item*)

MOTION: Motion made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Geisreiter to approve cash and payroll disbursements for May 2023, in the amount of \$1,937,616.85.
- *Motion carried unanimously.*

INFORMATION

14. Port Director's Report

Port Director MacLaurie stated that the County Board of Supervisors recently adopted a resolution of intent to sell the three harbor adjacent parcels that comprise the southwest property at 7th and Brommer. She stated that in the coming weeks, the Commission will need to review and discuss if there remains an interest in acquiring the property.

Port Director MacLaurie provided an update on the 2222 East Cliff Drive Deck Replacement Project and noted that City building permit fees currently total approximately \$26,000. There was consensus among the Commission to negotiate lower permit fees with the City, if possible.

15. Harbormaster's Report

Harbormaster Anderson stated that the upcoming Pile Repair and Replacement Project is tentatively scheduled to commence on July 17, 2023.

Chair Gertler expressed appreciation for reporting on the Monterey Bay Salmon and Trout Project's recent salmon release from the Santa Cruz Wharf.

Commission Goddard stated that he is supportive of issuing a press release recognizing the three Deputy Harbormasters that were recently honored by the California Association of Harbormasters and Port Captains for their efforts in apprehending a wanted murder suspect out of Humboldt County last year.

16. Facilities Maintenance & Engineering Manager's Report

Facilities Maintenance & Engineering (FME) Manager Wulf stated that representatives from Lind Marine will be on-site July 17, 2023, to perform the biennial inspection of the dredge, *Twin Lakes*.

In response to a question posed by Commissioner Smith, FME Manger Wulf stated that the engineering and inspection reports for the damaged crane pad along the east access road embankment have been completed and submitted to FEMA for determination of hazard mitigation grant funding eligibility.

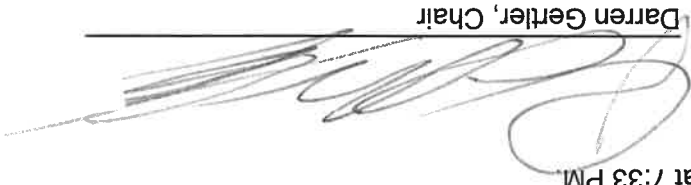
- 17. Financial Reports (There was no discussion on this agenda item)
 - a) Comparative Seasonal Revenue Graph
 - b) Review of FY24 Budget Impacts – Salmon Season Closure
 - c) CLASS Statement

18. Delinquent Account Reporting (There was no discussion on this agenda item)

19. Harbor Patrol Incident Response Report – May 2023 (There was no discussion on this agenda item)

20. Port Commission Review Calendar / Follow-Up Items (There was no discussion on this agenda item)

Chair Gertler adjourned the regular public session at 7:33 PM



Darren Gertler, Chair