#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2755**

# A RESOLUTION of the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle, Washington, further amending Resolution No. 1977 which adopted By-Laws for the Port Commission and repealing all prior resolutions in conflict with this resolution.

WHEREAS, the By-Laws governing the organization and transaction of business of the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle, Washington, were heretofore adopted by the Port Commission of the Port on September 23, 1958, by Resolution No. 1977, and said By-Laws have been subsequently amended, most recently by Resolution No. 2481; and

WHEREAS, the Port Commission wishes to amend the By-Laws further to expedite and simplify the accomplishment of Port business;

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

Section 1. The provisions of Article III of the Port's By-Laws are hereby amended by adding to section (1) and changing section (3) to read as follows:

> (1) The President shall preside at all public meetings of the Commission and at executive sessions of the Commission, and shall sign all resolutions, contracts, and other instruments on behalf of the Commission as authorized by the Commission, and shall perform all such other duties as are incident to the office or are properly required by the Commission. The President shall authorize the issuance of notices for regular and special meetings of the Commission. In addition, notices for a special meeting may be issued by any three Commissioners.

> (3) The Secretary shall supervise the recording of the minutes by Port of Seattle staff. The Secretary shall also supervise Port of Seattle staff in the retaining of a record of all motions and resolutions adopted by the Commission, and shall supervise the safekeeping of the seal and the minute books, and shall otherwise perform such further duties as are incident to the office and as are properly required by the Commission.

Section 2. The provisions of Article IV of the Port's By-Laws are hereby

amended by changing sections (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), and (7) to read as follows:

(1) Regular Meetings: No additional notice shall be required for regular meetings, the time and place of which is established by these By-Laws. Formal hearing of the Commission shall be held at 2:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, followed by informal Staff Review Sessions. If, at any time, any regular meeting falls on a holiday, such regular meeting shall be held on the next business day. Said regular meeting shall be open and public except as otherwise provided by these By-Laws.

(2) Special Meetings: Special public meetings may be called for any time either by the President or by a majority of the Commissioners by delivering personally or by mail written notice to each Commissioner; and to each local newspaper of general circulation and to each local radio or television station which has on file with the Commission a written request to be notified of such special meeting or of all special meetings. Such notice must be delivered personally or by mail at least twenty-four hours before the time of such meeting, as specified in the notice. The call and notice shall specify the time and place of the special meeting and the business to be transacted. Final disposition shall not be taken on any other matter at such meeting by the Port Commission. Such written notice may be dispensed with as to any member who, at or prior to the time the meeting convenes, files with the secretary of the Commission a written waiver of notice. Such waiver may be given by telegram. Such written notice may also be dispensed with as to any member who is actually present at the meeting at the time it convenes. The notices provided in this section may be dispensed with in the event a special meeting is called to deal with an emergency involving injury or damage to persons or property or the likelihood of such injury or damage, when time requirements of such a notice would make notice impractical and increase the likelihood of such injury or damage.

(3) Place of Meetings: Unless otherwise publicized in the same manner as provided hereinabove with respect to notice of special meetings, all formal hearings and informal staff review sessions of the Port Commission shall be held at the Commission's meeting room on the third floor of the Bell Street Terminal, Pier 66, foot of Bell Street, Seattle, Washington. The place for holding any meetings may be changed by concurrence of a majority of the Commission.

(4) Executive Sessions: The Commission may meet in Executive Session during a regular or special meeting for all the purposes permitted by the Open Public Meetings Act (RCW 42.30) and other law including, but not limited to, the following:

a.) The consideration of matters affecting national security;

b.) The selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase, when publicity regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price;

c.) The appointment, employment, or dismissal of a public officer or employee;

d.) The hearing of complaints or charges brought against such officer or employee; unless such officer or employee requests a

public hearing;

e.) Commission planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the Commission during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in such negotiations or proceedings while in progress;

f.) Proceedings concerned with the formal issuance of an order granting, suspending, revoking, or denying any license, permit, or certificate to engage in any business, occupation, or profession or to disciplinary proceedings involving a member of such business, occupation or profession;

g.) Communications within the attorney-client privilege recognized by Washington law including without limitation RCW 5.60.060(2).

(6) Quorum: Three Commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the convening of a meeting.

<u>Section 3.</u> The provisions of Article V of the Port's By-Laws are hereby amended by changing said Article to read as follows:

The order of business unless otherwise agreed to at the meeting shall be:

Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)

Agenda Items in Numerical Order

General Business (including Staff Review and Executive Sessions if necessary)

Adjournment

<u>Section 4</u>. The provisions of Article VI of the Port's By-Laws are hereby amended by changing said Article to read as follows:

1.) Except as otherwise required by ARTICLE VII, the Commission shall transact its business by motions which may be made by any Commissioner in attendance, including the chairman of the meeting.

2.) Voting on all motions shall be "yea" and "nay" unless a division is called for by any Commissioner, in which case the secretary, or acting secretary, shall call the roll in alphabetical order and record the vote of each Commissioner present.

3.) Concurrence of three Commissioners shall be necessary and shall be sufficient for the passage of any motions.

Section 5. The provisions of Article VII of the Port's By-Laws are

hereby amended by changing sections (1) and (2) as follows:

Resolutions

(1) All matters, which in the judgment of the Commission, are of a legislative character shall be embodied in the form of resolutions. Such a resolution shall not be put on for final passage at the same meeting at which it is first introduced, except by unanimous consent of all of the Commissioners. Said consent may be given either in person at this meeting, or if any Commissioner be absent, by advance written consent, which consent shall be made a part of the minutes of the meeting and shall consent either to final action being taken on all resolutions brought before the particular meeting or to final action being taken only on those resolutions specified in said written consent. A resolution put on for final passage may be passed with the consent of three Commissioners attending the meeting.

(2) Voting on all resolutions shall be by "yea" and "nay" unless a division is called for by any Commissioner, in which case the secretary, or acting secretary, shall call the roll in alphabetical order and record the vote of each Commissioner present.

Section 6. The provisions of Article VIII of the Port's By-Laws are

hereby amended by changing said Article to read as follows:

## MINUTES

(1) All proceedings of the Port Commission shall be by motion or resolution recorded in a book or books kept for such purpose, which shall be public records. (2) When the Port Commission has approved the minutes of a meeting in accordance with Article V, the minutes as approved shall represent the sole, tinal and considered determination of the Port Commission as to the motions and resolutions set forth therein superseding all statements made by Commissioners at the meeting.

Section 7. This resolution shall become effective upon its adoption and shall supersede all prior resolutions relating to Port Commission By-Laws to the extent inconsistent. As a result of this resolution, the Port Commission By-Laws in their entirety shall be as set forth on Exhibit A hereto.

ADOPTED by the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle this <u>13th</u> day of <u>December</u>, 197<u>8</u>, and duly authenticated in open session by the signatures of the Commissioners voting and the seal of the Commission.

PORT COMMISSIONERS

By-Laws of the

PORT OF SEATTLE

### ARTICLE I.

### Preamble

These By-Laws shall constitute the rules governing the transaction of business by the duly elected Port Commission.

#### ARTICLE II.

#### Organization of the Commission

(1) The Commission shall organize by the election from its own members of a President and Secretary. A Vice-President and Assistant Secretary may be elected also, if desired. An acting President or acting Secretary may be elected at any time to serve as President or Secretary, respectively, during the temporary absence or disability of the regularly elected official. All proceedings of the Port Commission shall be by motion or resolution recorded in a book or books kept for such purpose, which shall be records.

(2) The Commission shall elect new officers at its first regular meeting following the beginning of each calendar year, whose term shall run for one year beginning when elected, and until the election of a successor. Vacancies in an office arising from any cause may be filled at any regular or special meeting of the Commission.

(3) In the event of a vacancy in the office of Port Commission by death, resignation or otherwise, such vacancy shall be filled at the next general election, the vacancy in the interim to be filled by appointment by a majority vote of the remaining Port Commissioners. If there shall be at the same time such number of vacancies that there are not in office a majority of the full number of Commissioners fixed by law, County Commissioners of the County shall within fifteen days of such vacancies make appointments to fill the vacancies ad interim through the next general election.

#### ARTICLE III.

#### Duties of Officers

(1) The President shall preside at all public meetings of the Commission and at executive sessions of the Commission, and shall sign all resolutions, contracts, and other instruments on behalf of the Commission as authorized by the Commission, and shall perform all such other duties as are incident to the office or are properly required by the Commission. The President shall authorize the issuance of notices for regular and special meetings of the Commission. In addition, notices for a special meeting may be issued by any three Commissioners.

(2) The Vice-President shall, during the absence or disability of the President, exercise all the functions of the President. In addition, the Vice-President shall have such powers and discharge such duties as may be assigned to him from time to time by the Commission.

(3) The Secretary shall supervise the recording of the minutes by Port of Seattle staff. The Secretary shall also supervise Port of Seattle staff in the retaining of a record of all motions and resolutions adopted by the Commission, and shall supervise the safekeeping of the seal and the minute books, and shall otherwise perform such further duties as are incident to the office and as are properly required by the Commission. (4) The Assistant Secretary shall, during the absence or disability of the Secretary, exercise all the functions of the Secretary.

(5) Any Commissioner who shall be elected to act for an incumbent elected officier during the temporary absence or disability of such officer shall exercise all the functions of the incumbent officer, but only during the continuance of the absence or disability of such official.

#### ARTICLE IV.

#### Meetings

(1) Regular Meetings: No additional notice shall be required for regular meetings, the time and place of which is established by these By-Laws. Formal hearing of the Commission shall be held at 2:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, followed by informal Staff Review Sessions. If, at any time, any regular meeting falls on a holiday, such regular meeting shall be held on the next business day. Said regular meeting shall be open and public except as otherwise provided by these By-Laws.

(2) Special Meetings: Special public meetings may be called for any time either by the President or by a majority of the Commissioners by delivering personally or by mail written notice to each Commissioner; and to each local newspaper of general circulation and to each local radio or television station which has on file with the Commission a written request to be notified of such special meeting or of all special meetings. Such notice must be delivered personally or by mail at least twenty-four hours before the time of such meeting, as specified in the notice. The call and notice shall specify the time and place of the special meeting and the business to be transacted. Final disposition shall not be taken on any other matter at such meeting by the Port Commission. Such written notice may be dispensed with as to any member who, at or prior to the time the meeting convenes, files with the secretary of the Commission a written waiver of notice. Such waiver may be given by telegram. Such written notice may also be dispensed with as to any member who is actually present at the meeting at the time The notices provided in this section may be dispensed with in the it convenes. event a special meeting is called to deal with an emergency involving injury or damage to persons or property or the likelihood of such injury or damage, when time requirements of such a notice would make notice impractical and increase the likelihood of such injury or damage.

(3) Place of Meetings: Unless otherwise publicized in the same manner as provided hereinabove with respect to notice of special meetings, all formal hearings and informal staff review sessions of the Port Commission shall be held at the Commission's meeting room on the third floor of the Bell Street Terminal, Pier 66, foot of Bell Street, Seattle, Washington. The place for holding any meetings may be changed by concurrence of a majority of the Commission.

(4) Executive Sessions: The Commission may meet in Executive Session during a regular or special meeting for all the purposes permitted by the Open Public Meetings Act (RCW 42.30) and other law including, but not limited to, the following:

a.) The consideration of matters affecting national security;

b.) The selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase, when publicity regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price;

c.) The appointment, employment, or dismissal of a public officer or employee;

d.) The hearing of complaints or charges brought against such officer or employee unless such officer or employee requests a public hearing;

e.) Commission planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the Commission during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in such negotiations or proceedings while in progress;

f.) Proceedings concerned with the formal issuance of an order granting, suspending, revoking, or denying any license, permit, or certificate to engage in any business, occupation, or profession or to disciplinary proceedings involving a member of such business, occupation or profession;

g.) Communications within the attorney-client privilege recognized by Washington law including without limitation RCW 5.60.060(2).

(5) Adjournment or Continuation to a Special Meeting: Adjournment or consideration to a special meeting shall be pursuant to notice as required by law.

(6) Quorum: Three Commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the convening of a meeting.

#### ARTICLE V.

### Order of Business

The order of business unless otherwise agreed to at the meeting shall be:

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Adjournment

#### ARTICLE VI.

#### Motions

1.) Except as otherwise required by ARTICLE VII, the Commission shall transact its business by which may be made by any Commissioner in attendance, including the chairman of the meeting.

2.) Voting on all motions shall be "yea" and "nay" unless a division is called for by any Commissioner, in which case the secretary, or acting secretary, shall call the roll in alphabetical order and record the vote of each Commissioner present.

3.) Concurrence of three Commissioners shall be necessary and shall be sufficient for the passage of any motions.

## ARTICLE VII.

## Resolutions

(1) All matters, which in the judgment of the Commission, are of a legislative character shall be embodied in the form of resolutions. Such a resolution shall not be put on for final passage at the same meeting at which it is first introduced, except by unanimous consent of all of the Commissioners. Said consent may be given either in person at this meeting, or if any Commissioner be absent, by advance written consent, which consent shall be made a part of the minutes of the meeting and shall consent either to final action being taken on all resolutions brought before the particular meeting or to final action being taken only on those resolutions specified in said written consent. A resolution put on for final passage may be passed with the consent of three Commissioners attending the meeting. (2) Voting on all resolutions shall be by "yea" and "nay" unless a division is called for by any Commissioner, in which case the secretary, or acting secretary, shall call the roll in alphabetical order and record the vote of each Commissioner present.

(3) Resolutions shall be numbered consecutively and the original copy of each resolution shall be duly authenticated in open session by the signature of the Commissioners voting in its favor and by the seal of the Commission. Each resolution shall be filed by the secretary and shall be recorded in a book or books kept for such purpose, which shall be public records.

### ARTICLE VIII.

#### Minutes

(1) All proceedings of the Port Commission shall be by motion or resolution recorded in a book or books kept for such purpose, which shall be public records.

(2) When the Port Commission has approved the minutes of a meeting in accordance with Article V, the minutes as approved shall represent the sole, final and considered determination of the Port Commission as to the motions and resolutions set forth therein superseding all statements made by Commissioners at the meeting.

#### ARTICLE IX.

#### Amendment of By-Laws

These By-Laws may be amended by the Commission by resolution duly adopted.