

**HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION,
AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-04

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A PORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT
GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PHASE OF A NEW HEAVY LIFT
MULTIPURPOSE TERMINAL TO SUPPORT THE OFFSHORE WIND INDUSTRY**

WHEREAS, on March 29th, 2021, the President Biden Administration announced a whole of government approach to catalyze offshore wind energy, strengthen the domestic supply chain, and create good-paying jobs, and

WHEREAS, as part of the Administration's announcement, the federal Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration announced funding under the Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) to invest in port infrastructure to support offshore wind, and

WHEREAS, the PIDP grants are intended to support projects that strengthen and modernize port infrastructure and can support shore -side wind energy projects, such as storage areas, laydown areas, and docking of wind energy vessels to load and move items to offshore wind farms, and

WHEREAS, the federal Bureau of Energy Management (BOEM) has announced its intention to lease the Humboldt Call Areas in late 2022, and

WHEREAS, the Humboldt Call Area is approximately 30 miles directly offshore of Humboldt Bay and the State of California has projected that approximately 1.6 gigawatts of electricity will be generated from the Humboldt Call Area and the Morro Bay Call Area is projected to produce an additional three giga-watts of electricity by 2030, and

WHEREAS, BOEM has also identified future call areas off the Cape Mendocino and Del Norte Coast which are approximately 122 miles from Humboldt Bay and capable of producing a combined total of approximately 12.8 giga-watts of electricity;

WHEREAS, the Department of Defense has announced funding to the State of California to study the development of an undersea power line to go from the Humboldt, Mendocino, and Del Norte Call area to the San Fransisco metropolitan area grid system, and

WHEREAS, the California Governor Newsom Administration is coordinating closely with the Biden Administration to implement offshore wind off the California Coast, and

WHEREAS, the California Energy Commission formally awarded \$10.45 million in funding to support the Port of Humboldt Bay's PDIP grant application to develop port infrastructure, and an additional \$9 million for transmission reports, public and tribal outreach, and to begin the environmental review process, and

WHEREAS, the Port has identified and prepared a master plan on approximately 180 acres of existing coastal dependent industrial lands to develop a new heavy lift terminal, upland tarmac, and manufacturing facilities which when fully developed will make Humboldt Bay the west coast hub for offshore wind, and

WHEREAS, the Port has prepared a 2022 PIDP grant application to cover the construction costs of Phase 1 and the permitting/design costs of Phases 1 through 4,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Authorizes the submission of a grant application under the Port Infrastructure Development Program to permit and develop strengthened and modernized port facilities to accommodate the full spectrum of offshore wind activities.

SECTION 2. Authorizes the Executive Director to sign all documents associated with the grant application.

SECTION 3. Authorizes the Executive Director to commit up to \$8 million of the \$11.45 million grant from the California Energy Commission; and up to \$690,000 of Harbor District in kind Staff time to implement the project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District Board of Commissioners at a duly called meeting held on the **12th day of May 2022** by the following polled vote:


AYES: Dale, Higgins, Kullmann, Marks

NOES: 

ABSENT: Newman

ABSTAIN: 

ATTEST:



Richard Marks, Secretary
Board of Commissioners



Greg Dale, President
Board of Commissioners

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting Secretary of the HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT, does hereby certify that the attached Resolution is a true and correct copy of RESOLUTION NO. **2022-04** entitled,

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as regularly adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT, duly held on the **12th day of May 2022**; and further, that such Resolution has been fully recorded in the Journal of Proceedings in my office, and is in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this **12th day of May 2022**.



**Richard Marks, Secretary
Board of Commissioners**