

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-07

**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 Government has established a goal of 30 gigawatts of offshore wind by the year 2030 and the State of California has established a goal of 25 gigawatts of offshore wind by the year 2045, and

WHEREAS, in December of 2022 the federal Bureau of Energy Management (BOEM) received bids totaling \$757,100,000 from five international energy companies for two offshore wind areas (five sub-areas) off the coast of Humboldt and off the coast of Morro Bay, and

WHEREAS, BOEM has identified future offshore wind lease areas of the coast of Oregon with up to 16 gigawatts that are to be leased at the end of 2024;

WHEREAS, studies by NREL and others have also identified future offshore wind lease 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 gigawatts of electricity;

WHEREAS, the California Energy Commission formally awarded \$10.45 million in funding to support the Port of Humboldt Bay's project, 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 2023 PIDP grant application to cover the remaining soft costs of the project,

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 \$2 million of the \$10.45 million grant from the California Energy Commission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District Board of Commissioners at a duly called meeting held on the **13th day of April 2023** by the following polled vote:

AYES: Dale, Benson, Higgins, Kullmann, Newman

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ATTEST:



**Aaron Newman, Secretary
Board of Commissioners**



**Greg Dale, President
Board of Commissioners**

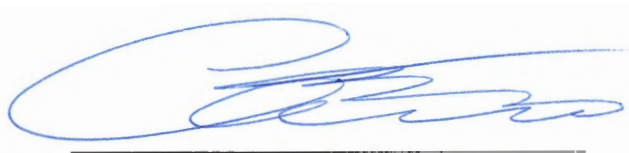
CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

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. **2023-07** 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 **13th day of April 2023**; 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 **13th day of April 2023**.



**Aaron Newman, Secretary
Board of Commissioners**