

## RESOLUTION No. 1049 (2016)

A RESOLUTION OF THE PORT OF EVERETT COMMISSION SUPPORTING THE SOUTH TERMINAL INTERMODAL FREIGHT SHIPPING FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT “TIGER” GRANT APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; A PROJECT THAT IS PART OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND STATE FREIGHT PLAN.

**Project Name: South Terminal Intermodal Freight Shipping Facility Improvements**

**WHEREAS**, the Port of Everett is proposing to lead the implementation of transportation investments in Snohomish County, Washington with additional financial support from the Federal Government provided through the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) “Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery” (TIGER) Grant program; and

**WHEREAS**, improved intermodal and international trade facilities enhance the mobility and livability and therefore are highly desired in the Snohomish County region and throughout the State of Washington; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port of Everett considers it in the best public interest of our residents to invest in our intermodal freight facilities to enhance jobs and access to goods in our region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port of Everett is applying for a “TIGER” Grant from USDOT in order to upgrade its South Terminal Intermodal Freight Shipping Facility to accommodate containerized and breakbulk cargoes, including aerospace components and cargoes that support the key industry clusters in our region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port of Everett’s natural deep-water shipping facilities accommodates 100 percent of the oversized aerospace parts for the 747, 767 (commercial and military), and 777(X) airplanes, and also serves as a backup for the 787. This upgraded facility would allow us to better serve one of our major customers, The Boeing Company, along with other emerging customers of the Port of Everett; and

**WHEREAS**, the upgraded South Terminal will include 700-feet of strengthened dock and new cargo handling equipment to continue to efficiently and cost-effectively support the Nation’s largest exporter, while also creating an opportunity for new jobs in the region; and

**WHEREAS**, the upgraded facility is critical to maintaining Washington State’s international trade competitiveness, as nearly 60 percent of the jobs in Snohomish County are directly tied to international trade; and

**WHEREAS**, the future upgrade of this facility was envisioned with the 2004 Master Site Development and Location Agreement between Boeing, the State of Washington, and local governments; and

**WHEREAS**, the future upgrade of this facility was envisioned in the City of Everett’s Vision 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the future upgrade of this facility was envisioned in the Marine Port Element of the City’s Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the future upgrade of this facility was envisioned in the State Transportation Improvement Plan and State Freight Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the “Port infrastructure investments, including projects that connect ports to other modes of transportation and improve the efficiency of freight movement” are eligible for funding under the “TIGER Grants”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port of Everett’s current facility is unusable with our cargo mix because it was constructed in the 1970s to handle log exports, which is now obsolete; and was designed only to support 500 pounds per square foot (PSF) live load; and

**WHEREAS** the Port proposes to add piling and reinforce the existing dock structure to support 1,000 PSF live load, which will allow the Port to utilize mobile cranes and other modern cargo-handling equipment on the wharf to handle a wide variety of containerized and breakbulk cargoes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port is constructing and northern rail connector and rebuilding an existing 1,300-foot rail spur at the South Terminal; extending that rail spur by approximately 100 feet; and construct two new rail sidings off of the Port’s existing Rail Access Recovery siding, adding 3,600 feet of track capacity; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port proposes to extend new high voltage power systems onto the South Terminal to allow shipping vessels to “cold iron” (use dockside power) while at berth in the future, thereby reducing diesel emissions in the Port area; and

**WHEREAS**, the investments proposed by the Port of Everett area key part of the area’s long-term transportation plans, which have been developed through extensive public involvement; and

**WHEREAS**, the project has been reviewed by Port staff to verify the project aligns with the infrastructure planning laid out in the Port's Marine Terminals Master Plan and verifying that the investment is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the goals of the TIGER program is to put Americans back to work; and this project will be able to meet this goal and the federal fund obligation date of September 2018, as set forth in the grant criteria.

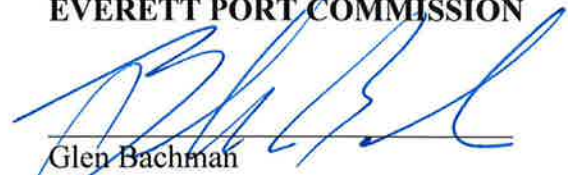
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Executive Director of the Port of Everett be authorized to make formal application to the USDOT for TIGER Grant funding assistance; and
  2. Any funding assistance received shall be used for implementation of the project referenced above; and
  3. The Port of Everett Commission supports the capital investments identified in the South Terminal Intermodal Freight Shipping Facility Improvement Project TIGER Grant application.
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Adopted by the Port Commission of the Port of Everett in Snohomish County, Washington this


8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

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