



## **MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**APRIL 21, 2020**

### **CONFERENCE CALL ONLY**

#### **PhilaPort Board Members Present:**

Chairman Gerard Sweeney, Yesenia Bane, Rocky Bryan, Robert Clark, Jonathan Kemmerley, Richard Lazer, Anthony Mannino, Paul McNichol, Michael Pearson, James Shacklett

#### **PhilaPort Board Members Absent:**

John Skoutelas

#### **PhilaPort Staff Present:**

Jeffrey Theobald, Edward Henderson, Colette Pete, James Walsh, Kate Bailey, Angie Fredrickson, Lisa Magee, Sean Mahoney, Ayanna Williams, Denise Brumbaugh

#### **Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:**

Elizabeth Bonini, Nedra Ralston, Denise Soisson

#### **Others:**

Marissa Moylan, Peter Winslow

Chairman Sweeney convened a Public Session.

The next order of business was the approval of the Board Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2020. The minutes were moved, seconded and approved.

Chairman Sweeney convened an Executive Session

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

#### **2020-02 AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT PORT SECURITY GRANT APPLICATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority ("PhilaPort") has been authorized, under Section 6 of the Act of July 10, 1989, P.L. 291, 55 P.S. Section 697 **et seq.** of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (the "PRPA Act") to promote, apply for and accept grants for the purposes of advancing regional port facilities and port related projects to include furtherance of cooperative state efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Homeland Security announced federal funding for a grant program; and

**WHEREAS**, eligible projects include port infrastructure projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the staff of PhilaPort identified *several* port infrastructure projects that would benefit the region if grant funding is received; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of PhilaPort has determined, on the basis of information provided to it (which information is attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated herein by reference) to approve submission of a grant application.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. That the Board authorizes its staff to submit the pre-application for the projects listed in Exhibit "A", and submission of the formal grant application.
2. The Executive Director and CEO of PhilaPort, with the advice of its Chief Counsel, is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate the specific terms and conditions of the agreements and the Executive Director and CEO is hereby authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver on behalf of PhilaPort any agreements, documents or other instruments as may be necessary to effectuate such arrangements.

The motion was made, seconded and approved. Resolution No. 2020-02 on file with the Authority.

**2020-03      AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT PORT SECURITY GRANT APPLICATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority (“PhilaPort”) has been authorized, under Section 6 of the Act of July 10, 1989, P.L. 291, 55 P.S. Section 697 **et seq.** of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (the "PRPA Act") to promote, apply for and accept grants for the purposes of advancing regional port facilities and port related projects to include furtherance of cooperative state efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Homeland Security announced federal funding for a grant program; and

**WHEREAS**, eligible projects include port infrastructure projects; and

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The motion was made, seconded and approved. Resolution No. 2020-03 on file with the Authority.

#### **2020-04 AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT BUILD GRANT APPLICATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority (“PhilaPort”) has been authorized, under Section 6 of the Act of July 10, 1989, P.L. 291, 55 P.S. Section 697.1, et seq. of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (the “PRPA Act”) to promote apply for and accept grants for the purpose of advancing regional port facilities and port related projects to include furtherance of cooperative state efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Transportation administers a BUILD Grant Program (“Program”); and

**WHEREAS**, the staff of PhilaPort identified a port infrastructure project that would be eligible for grant funding under the Program as set forth in Exhibit “A” attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of PhilaPort based upon the information provided by staff authorizes the submission of a rail freight grant for the port infrastructure set forth in Exhibit “A”.

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

1. That PhilaPort hereby authorizes its staff to apply for grant funding through the United States Department of Transportation BUILD Grant Program as set forth in Exhibit “A.”
2. The Executive Director and CEO of PhilaPort, with the advice of its Chief Counsel, is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate the specific terms and conditions of the agreements and the Executive Director and CEO is hereby authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver on behalf of PhilaPort any agreements, documents or other instruments as may be necessary to effectuate such arrangements.

The motion was made, seconded and approved. Resolution No. 2020-04 on file with the Authority.

**2020-05            AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT 2020 PORT INFRASTRUCTURE  
DEVELOPMENT GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority (“PhilaPort”) has been authorized under Section 6 of the Act of July 10, 1989, P.L. 291, 55 P.S. Section 697 et seq. of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (the “PRPA Act”) to promote, apply for and accept grants for the purposes of advancing regional port facilities and port-related projects to include furtherance of cooperative state efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Transportation announced federal funding for the 2020 Port Infrastructure Development Grant program; and

**WHEREAS**, eligible projects include port infrastructure projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the staff of PhilaPort identified a port infrastructure project that would benefit the region if grant funding is received; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of PhilaPort has determined, on the basis of information provided to it (which information is attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated herein by references) to approved submission of a grant application

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

1. That PhilaPort hereby authorizes its staff to apply for grant funding through the 2020 Maritime Administration’s Port Infrastructure Development Grant for the project listed in Exhibit “A”, and submission of the formal grant application.
2. The Executive Director and CEO of PhilaPort, with the advice of its Chief Counsel, is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate the specific terms and conditions of the agreements and the Executive Director and CEO is hereby authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver on behalf of PhilaPort any agreements, documents or other instruments as may be necessary to effectuate such arrangements.

The motion was made, seconded and approved. Resolution No. 2020-05 on file with the Authority.

There being no further public business to come before the board, the Public Session was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

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