



**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**May 16, 2023**

**PhilaPort Board Members Present:**

Chairman Michael Pearson Rocky Bryan, Boise Butler, Charles McQuilkin, David Cuff, Richard Lazer, Robert Clark, Warren Santone, James Shacklett, John Skoutelas, Leigh Whitaker

**PhilaPort Staff Present:**

Jeffrey Theobald, Edward Henderson, Colette Pete, James Walsh, Kate Bailey, Yordania Almonte, Sean Mahoney, George Hutchinson, Lisa Magee, Ryan Mulvey, Diana Skversky, Valerie Piper

**Others:**

Tim Avanzato, Mckenna Frease, Joshua Miles, John Preston, John Henkel, John Dunbar, Donte Taylor, William Walker, Walter James, Tony Polis, Ryan Bats, Rose Fields, Robert Bender, Paul Rand, Mike Hellam, Mike Cuniff, Lisa Kline, John McKnight, John DiDomenicis, John DiDomenicis III, John Bryan, Gerald William, Eric Holt, Crystal Durant, Casey Dunbar, Carl Foster, Brian Goodwin, Bill DiDomenicis,

Chairman Pearson convened a Public Session.

The next order of business was the approval of the Board Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2023. The minutes were moved, seconded, and approved.

Chairman Pearson convened an Executive Session.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**2023-04                      AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT 2023 PORT SECURITY GRANT  
PROGRAM (PSGP) 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 United States Department of Homeland Security announced federal funding for the 2023 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP); and

**WHEREAS**, eligible projects include port equipment and capital projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the staff of PhilaPort has a port capital 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, to approve submission of a grant application.

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

1. That PhilaPort hereby authorizes its staff to apply for grant funding through the United States Department of Homeland Security's 2023 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP); for the Tioga Marine Terminal Lighting Upgrade project, as the project listed in Exhibit "A" for submission of the formal grant application.
2. The Executive Director and CEO of PhilaPort, with the advice of its Chief General 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. 2023-04 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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