



STOCKTON PORT DISTRICT

Board of Port Commissioners

September 15, 2025

Pursuant to notice duly given, the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Stockton Port District was held on September 15, 2025, at the meeting place on the Port's West Complex in Room 165 located at 315 Fyffe Avenue in Stockton, California.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: David Atwater, Chairman
Anthony Barkett
Michael Patrick Duffy
Margaret Shea Stephens
William R. Trezza

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED: Stephen Griffen
Allen Sawyer, Vice Chairman

OTHERS PRESENT: Kirk DeJesus, Port Director
Jason Katindoy, Deputy Port Director
Katie Miller, Deputy Port Director
Jeff Wingfield, Deputy Port Director
Jason Cashman, Director of Environmental
Affairs
Rod Iwashita, Director of Engineering & Facilities
Rhonda Nelson, Director of Real Estate & Port
Development
Paula O'Keefe, Director of Finance and
Accounting
Sylvester Aguilar, Real Estate Marketing
Manager
Steve Herum, Port Counsel
Melanie Rodriguez, Secretary to the Board

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman David Atwater at 3:31 p.m. Chairman Atwater presided and Melanie Rodriguez, Secretary to the Board, acted as Secretary for the meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

In compliance with Stockton Port District Commission Governance Policy Statement #105, the Consent Calendar items of business, having been provided to each member of the Board prior to this meeting, the Commissioners present acted upon the following Consent Calendar items of business under one vote.

Chairman Atwater acknowledged that there were no requests to address the Commission.

Commissioner Trezza moved, to adopt the following resolutions:

MINUTES OF AUGUST 18, 2025 MEETING

Resolution #8601: RESOLVED, that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Stockton Port District held on the 18th day of August 2025, as the same are endorsed on Page No. 062 to Page No. 071, inclusive, of Minutes Book No. 67, be and they are hereby approved.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE THE PORT DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE THREE (3) NEW ELECTRIC LIFT TRUCKS AND ONE (1) USED ELECTRIC LIFT TRUCK FOR AN ESTIMATED TOTAL COST NOT-TO-EXCEED \$210,762.40

Resolution #8602: RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Stockton Port District that the Port Director is hereby authorized to purchase three (3) new Noble Lift 7,000 pound electric lift trucks and one (1) used Noble Lift 7,000 pound electric lift truck from Gold Coast Lift Trucks, Inc. for an amount not-to-exceed \$210,762.40 (Two Hundred Ten Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Two and 40/100 Dollars); and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Port Director is authorized, empowered and directed to ensure that the provisions of this resolution are appropriately effected.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE THE PORT DIRECTOR PORT TO AMEND CONTRACT #25121 WITH ROBERTSON-BRYAN, INC. AND EXECUTE A CHANGE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$160,500.00

Resolution #8603: RESOLVED, by the Stockton Port District Board of Commissioners that the Port Director is hereby authorized to execute an amendment to Contract #25121 extending the contract date to February 28, 2027 with Robertson-Bryan, Inc. for services related to the Harmful Algal Bloom Research Project and execute a Charge Order in the amount not-to-exceed \$160,500.00 (One Hundred Sixty Thousand Five Hundred and no/100 Dollars); and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Port Director is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to ensure that the provisions of this resolution are appropriately effected.

Resolutions #8601, #8602 and #8603 were passed by the following vote:

COMMISSIONERS IN FAVOR:	Atwater, Barkett, Duffy, Stephens, Trezza
COMMISSIONERS AGAINST:	None
COMMISSIONERS ABSTAINING:	None
COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:	None
COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED:	Griffen, Sawyer

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Chairman Atwater acknowledged that Consent Calendar Item D was removed from the Consent Calendar and placed at the end of the Agenda.

Director of Facilities and Engineering Iwashita provided an executive summary of Consent Calendar Item D.

The staff report was provided to each member of the Board prior to the meeting and was also available as a link on the Agenda posted on the Port's website.

In September 2024, the Port's Facilities and Maintenance staff began repairing a 6-by-4-foot section of the reinforced concrete floor south of the dock bulkhead in Transit Shed 19. The damage resulted from the handling of steel coils within the Transit Shed. During the repairs, a large void was discovered beneath the floor, which was inconsistent with the original design of a reinforced concrete floor on ground. The void, caused by erosion, measures approximately 1 to 12 feet deep, extends 1 to 6 feet from the dock bulkhead and spans roughly 100 feet along the bulkhead in Transit Shed 19.

Since this discovery, the Port has implemented two inspection methods to identify potential voids in all areas adjacent to the dock bulkhead (approximately 6,300 linear feet):

- Drilling inspection holes adjacent to the dock bulkhead at 50-foot spacing
- Use of Ground Penetrating Radar to scan the full length of the dock bulkhead
- Subsequent to Ground Penetrating Radar scanning, verification probing and test pits at probable void locations was conducted

The findings from these inspection methods are as follows:

- West Complex Transit Sheds: Approximately 30% of capacity is either fully or partially restricted.
- West Complex Open Docks and Breezeways: Approximately 64% of access to/from the Docks is either fully or partially restricted.

Consulting engineers have conducted the investigation and are working with a geotechnical engineering firm to develop repair solutions. The investigation has located void areas and estimated the severity of the erosion, which ranges from a few inches of erosion to approximately eight feet of ground settlement.

At the end of August, 100% of verification probing and test pits on open dock areas have been completed. Based on the results of additional investigations the amount of deck with restricted access has been reduced from earlier, more conservative estimates in some locations. The revised Safety and Operational Capacity for the deck has been revised to:

- Restricted capacity at the Open Dock areas has been reduced from 64% to 22%
- Restricted capacity at the West Complex Transit Sheds remains at 30%

Repair options are currently being developed and priority repair areas will be identified based on the planned use of the facility. While the amount of settlement does not affect the reduced capacity of the deck, it does affect the repair approach, with larger voids requiring additional intervention to directly mitigate the erosion mechanism.

The repair options are likely to consist of two types of repairs, one type for the shallow (up to six inches) ground settlement condition, and another type for deeper soil erosion. Wiss, Janney, and Elstner are working with Kleinfelder to develop conceptual drawings for the repair schemes and develop indicative pricing for the two different repair types. Once the concept designs have been reviewed, the Port will move forward with developing final construction plans and specifications and more detailed cost estimates.

Staff have discussed and evaluated repair methods proposed by the consulting engineer team and have directed them to advance conceptual designs, including preparation of an order of magnitude construction cost estimates. It is expected that the repair cost for the identified damaged areas will be prioritized based on operational considerations, ease of construction, and cost.

Nevertheless, an emergency situation, as described herein and as presented in the May 5, 2025 Board memorandum, continues to exist, necessitating immediate expenditure of public funds without competitive bidding.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PORT DIRECTOR TO COMPLETE NEGOTIATIONS WITH SHELL ENERGY NORTH AMERICA AND EXECUTE A NEW 5-YEAR (2026-2030) WHOLESALE POWER PURCHASE UNDER THE EXISTING SHELL MASTER PURCHASE AGREEMENT TOTALING APPROXIMATELY \$7,859,770 FOR THE 5-YEAR TERM

Director of Real Estate and Port Development Nelson provided an executive summary of this agenda item and the staff memo was provided to each member of the Board prior to the meeting.

Chairman Atwater acknowledged that there were no requests to address the Port Commission on this matter.

Commissioner Stephens moved to adopt the following resolution:

Resolution #8604: RESOLVED, by the Stockton Port District Board of Commissioners that the Port Director is hereby authorized to complete negotiations with Shell Energy North America and execute a new 5-Year (2026-2030) Wholesale Power Purchase under the existing Shell Master Purchase Agreement for approximately \$7,859,770.00 (Seven Million Eight Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy and no/100 Dollars) for the 5-Year Term; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Port Director is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to ensure that the provisions of this resolution are appropriately effected.

Resolution #8604 was passed by the following vote:

COMMISSIONERS IN FAVOR:	Atwater, Barkett, Duffy, Stephens, Trezza
COMMISSIONERS AGAINST:	None
COMMISSIONERS ABSTAINING:	None
COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:	None
COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED:	Griffen, Sawyer

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chairman Atwater acknowledged there were no Committee Reports.

PORT DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Port Director DeJesus provided an update on the following items:

- The Pilot Appreciation Reception was held on August 22, 2025 in San Francisco. The feedback received about the Reception has been positive.
- Coastal Clean-Up Day will be held this Saturday, September 20, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The meeting location is the Port Side Room, 2303 Port Road F. Clean up will take place near the Edible School Yard in Boggs Tract.
- Past Commissioner Victor Mow passed away on Saturday, September 13, 2025 in Stockton.

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Trezza shared that he was invited to sail with a ship that was traveling to the Port of Stockton. He shared that it was a great experience and a bucket-list item.

Commissioner Barkett shared that Commissioner Mow was a good man and a great service to the community. Commissioner Duffy shared that Commissioner Mow was an advocate for solar at the Port.

Commissioner Stephens asked that at the next meeting the Commission receive information on where the Port is with the strategic plan action items.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Chairman Atwater acknowledged that there were no Public Comments.

CLOSED SESSIONS:

- A. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.8 REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTION: RECEIVE REPORTS FROM, GIVE INSTRUCTIONS TO & CONFER WITH PORT NEGOTIATOR KIRK DEJESUS REGARDING POTENTIAL REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTION RELATIVE TO 700 ROTH ROAD, LATHROP, CA
- B. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §54957.6 DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL MATTER: ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW OF THE PORT DIRECTOR

At 4:22 p.m. Chairman Atwater announced that, in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act, an executive session would be conducted by the Board of Commissioners pursuant to Government Code §54956.8 and §54957.6. The general public and other Port staff was excused from the meeting, and the closed sessions commenced at 4:24 p.m. Port Director DeJesus, Deputy Port Director Katindoy, Deputy Port Director Miller, Deputy Port Director Wingfield, Director of Environmental Affairs Cashman, Director of Engineering and Facilities Iwashita, Director of Real Estate and Port Development Nelson, Director of Finance and Accounting O'Keefe, Real Estate Marketing Manager Aguilar and Port Counsel Herum remained for a portion of the executive sessions.

At 6:03 p.m., Chairman Atwater re-opened the meeting in public session. He reported that during Closed Session Item B §54957.6, the Board of Port Commissioners presented the annual performance evaluation to the Port Director. It is recommended the Commission give the Port Director a performance incentive of \$70,000.00 for this performance review period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING AWARDING A PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE TO THE PORT DIRECTOR

Chairman Atwater acknowledged that there were no requests to address the Port Commission on this matter.

Commissioner Duffy moved to adopt the following resolution:

Resolution #8605: WHEREAS, on September 15, 2025, the Port Commission completed a performance evaluation of Port Director Kirk DeJesus; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Stockton Port District that Port Director Kirk DeJesus be awarded a performance incentive of \$70,000.00 (Seventy Thousand and no/100 dollars) in recognition of his performance and leadership in the last evaluation period.

Resolution #8605 was passed by the following vote:

COMMISSIONERS IN FAVOR: Atwater, Barkett, Duffy, Stephens, Trezza

COMMISSIONERS AGAINST: None

COMMISSIONERS ABSTAINING: None

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED:

Griffen, Sawyer

On behalf of the Stockton Port District Board of Commissioners, it was announced by Chairman Atwater that today's Commission meeting would be in memory of Dr. Elizabeth "Liz" Blanchard.

Liz was born in China on February 5, 1929 in China. She passed away in San Mateo, CA on August 25, 2025 at the age of 96. Liz came over on a boat from China as an orphan. She arrived in San Francisco when she was about six years old. She was raised by her aunt. She met her first husband, Lawrence Lee, at a young age. Liz moved to Stockton around the age of 17 or 18, where she raised her three children. Liz earned her Doctor of Psychology from the University of Pacific, where she would later work in their School of Education. She began her teaching career at Delta in 1964 as a professor of psychology, a position she would hold for 35 years. Liz married her second husband, Joseph Blanchard, past San Joaquin Delta College Superintendent and Port of Stockton Commissioner in 1972. Liz was appointed to the Port Commission on January 26, 2008. Her appointment to the Commission ended on February 22, 2022. She served as Chairperson of the Commission in 2017. She also served eight years on the Stockton City Planning Commission and two years on the San Joaquin County Planning Commission. Liz was the past president of the California Teachers Association at Delta, the Association of Pacific Ports, the Chinese Cultural Society of Stockton and the Disabled American Veterans Association. In 2017 she was named the 64th Stocktonian of the Year by the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce. In 2020 Liz was elected to the San Joaquin Delta College Board of Trustees. She also served on the fundraising committee of the Women's Center Youth and Family Services. She was on the board for the Filipino Lions Club, Crime Stoppers, the Filipino American Educators Association, the Mexican Heritage Gallery, was a member of the Rotary Club of Stockton and American Legion - Post 16 as an Education Director. Liz will be remembered for her generosity in donating money and time for numerous organizations in Stockton. She is survived by two sons and a daughter.

On behalf of the Commissioners, Port Director and staff, sincere sympathy and condolences are extended to the family of Elizabeth "Liz" Blanchard.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COMMISSION TO RETROACTIVELY REAFFIRM A FINDING OF CONTINUING THE EMERGENCY AND, IF THE FINDING OF CONTINUING EMERGENCY IS MADE BY THE COMMISSION THEN CONSIDER DELEGATING TO THE PORT DIRECTOR AUTHORITY TO REPAIR OR REPLACE A PUBLIC FACILITY, TAKE ANY DIRECTLY RELATED AND IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED BY THAT EMERGENCY, AND PROCURE THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT, SERVICES, AND SUPPLIES FOR THOSE PURPOSES, WITHOUT GIVING NOTICE FOR BIDS TO LET CONTRACTS FORM THE MAY 5, 2025 WEST COMPLEX MARINE TERMINAL EROSION EMERGENCY

This agenda item was not acted on, is considered unfinished business and will be considered at the Continued Meeting to be held on Monday, October 20, 2025 at 3:30 p.m.

This meeting was continued to the next regularly scheduled meeting at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, October 20, 2025 to concluded the unfinished business.

Melanie Rodriguez
Secretary to the Board

Chairman David Atwater



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Sylvester Aguilar, Real Estate Marketing
Manager
Ricardo Navarro, Facilities, Maintenance &
Construction Manager
Joseph Vezzali, Commercial Manager
Gloria Flores, Real Estate Assistant Manager
Steve Herum, Port Counsel

OTHERS PRESENT CONTINUED:

Melanie Rodriguez, Secretary to the Board

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman David Atwater at 5:00 p.m. Chairman Atwater presided and Melanie Rodriguez, Secretary to the Board, acted as Secretary for the meeting.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COMMISSION TO RETROACTIVELY REAFFIRM A FINDING OF CONTINUING THE EMERGENCY AND, IF THE FINDING OF CONTINUING EMERGENCY IS MADE BY THE COMMISSION THEN CONSIDER DELEGATING TO THE PORT DIRECTOR AUTHORITY TO REPAIR OR REPLACE A PUBLIC FACILITY, TAKE ANY DIRECTLY RELATED AND IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED BY THAT EMERGENCY, AND PROCURE THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT, SERVICES, AND SUPPLIES FOR THOSE PURPOSES, WITHOUT GIVING NOTICE FOR BIDS TO LET CONTRACTS FROM THE MAY 5, 2025 WEST COMPLEX MARINE TERMINAL EROSION EMERGENCY

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Nevertheless, an emergency situation, as described herein and as presented in the May 5, 2025 Board memorandum, continues to exist, necessitating immediate expenditure of public funds without competitive bidding.

Chairman Atwater acknowledged that there were no requests to address the Port Commission on this matter.

Commissioner Duffy moved to adopt the following resolution:

Resolution #8613: RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Stockton Port District adopt a retroactive finding that an emergency situation existed that demanded the immediate expenditure of public funds and that the emergency would not permit a delay resulting from a competitive

solicitation for bids and that the action was necessary to respond to the West Complex Marine Terminal Erosion Emergency; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, by the Board of Commissioners of the Stockton Port District hereby delegates to the Port Director authority to repair or replace a public facility, take any directly related and immediate action required by that emergency, and procure the necessary equipment, services, and supplies for those purposes, without giving notice for bids to let contracts from the May 5, 2025 West Complex Marine Terminal Erosion Emergency; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Port Director is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to ensure that the provisions of this resolution are appropriately effected.

Resolution #8613 was passed by the following vote:

COMMISSIONERS IN FAVOR:	Atwater, Barkett, Duffy, Sawyer, Stephens, Trezza
COMMISSIONERS AGAINST:	None
COMMISSIONERS ABSTAINING:	None
COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:	None
COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED:	Griffen

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:01 p.m. by Chairman Atwater.

Melanie Rodriguez
Secretary to the Board

Chairman David Atwater