## **RESOLUTION 2015-158**

## RESOLUTION APPROVING TENANT PERCENT FOR ART PROJECTS FOR THE MARRIOTT MARQUIS SAN DIEGO MARINA

**WHEREAS**, the San Diego Unified Port District (District) is a public corporation created by the legislature in 1962 pursuant to Harbors and Navigation Code Appendix 1, (Port Act); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Port Commissioners (BPC) adopted BPC Policy No. 110 to establish a policy governing the processing and administration of public projects, consulting and service agreements, the purchasing of supplies, materials, and equipment, and grants; and

**WHEREAS**, the Marriott is located on the San Diego waterfront at 333 West Harbor Drive, between the San Diego Convention Center and the Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego; and

**WHEREAS**, the 25-story hotel has over 1,300 rooms, 75,000 square feet of meeting space, and numerous restaurants, lounges and recreational facilities. Its resort-style setting also includes a 446-slip marina; and

WHEREAS, the Marriott is currently engaged in a series of phased leasehold improvement projects that began in 2010 and currently includes construction of a new ballroom called Marriott Hall and development of an adjoining pedestrian walkway called Marina Walk that will provide improved access and connection between Harbor Drive and the marina and promenade west of the hotel; and

**WHEREAS**, the three site-specific artworks being recommended herein are associated with these leasehold improvements, as described below and in the attachments; and

**WHEREAS**, the artist team consisting of Los Angeles-based artists Katie MacDonald and Kyle Schumann has designed the proposed exterior artworks titled "Tide" and "Kelp" for placement in the new Marina Walk; and

WHEREAS, "Tide" is to be constructed of a gridded structure of brightly coloured powder coated aluminium tubes and ceramic tile pavers arranged in a snaking strand of sculptural waves that crest and fall. Emerging from the grid of Marina Walk's paving pattern, the waves first appear as coloured tile squares, then rise from the pavement as painted aluminium tubes; and

**WHEREAS**, programmable LED lights are to be embedded within the waves to provide colourful night illumination. "Tide" will be located on Marina Walk outside of Marriott Hall; and

**WHEREAS**, "Kelp" will be an immersive pathway of bent steel strips that compress and expand to direct circulation and views; and

WHEREAS, the bent steel elements, representing strands of kelp, are covered with steel sheathing and partially powder-coated with a range of bright greens, blues and yellows evoking the palette of sunlit kelp on the ocean floor; and

WHEREAS, programmable LED lighting imbedded in the kelp elements will activate the artwork at night. "Kelp" will be located on Marina Walk adjacent to Sally's Restaurant; and

**WHEREAS**, Mark Smith, a New York-based artist, designed the proposed suspended artwork for the pre-function area of the new Marriott Hall; and

WHEREAS, titled "Mountainscape," the sculptural chandelier resembles an inverted range of hills suspended from the 20-foot high ceiling of the prefunction area; and

WHEREAS, the 66' x 38' x 6' artwork is made of laser-cut stainless steel embedded with crystals and graduated strands of faceted beads to create topographical lines; and

**WHEREAS**, the artwork is illuminated from above with light fixtures embedded in the ceiling; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 15, 2015, the Public Art Committee reviewed the three artwork concepts utilizing the criteria for evaluating artwork concept proposals as outlined in BPC Policy No. 608–Tenant Percent for Art and found that they met the District's review criteria.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, does hereby approve the tenant percent for art projects for the Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY: GENERAL COUNSEL

By: Assistant/Deputy

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Bonelli, Castellanos, Malcolm, Merrifield, Moore, Nelson, and Valderrama. NAYS: None. EXCUSED: None. ABSENT: None.

Dan Malcolm, Chairman Board of Port Commissioners

ATTEST:

Timothy A. Deuel District Clerk

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