RESOLUTION 2018-005

RESOLUTION SELECTING AND AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH DOWNTOWN FORD SALES FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR ONE-TON RENEWABLE DIESEL POWERED TRUCKS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$213,957

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, On March 14, 2017, the BPC approved the purchase of four (4) compressed natural gas CNG trucks with Fairway Ford Sales, Inc.: two (2) one-ton full sized pick-up trucks, one (1) one-ton crew cab stake truck and one (1) one-ton heavy duty utility truck, for an amount not to exceed \$211,674.26, agenda file # 2016-0693; and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2017, Fairway Ford Sales, Inc. notified the District that the vendor who outfits the trucks with the CNG retrofit package announced that a certified CNG retrofit package was not available for the 2017 and 2018 model years and is pending approval from the California Air Resources Board (CARB) in early 2018; and

WHEREAS, District staff canceled the purchase for the CNG trucks due to the lack of availability and the uncertainty with the approval from the CARB, and chose to pursue the purchase of diesel trucks that have emission properties comparable to CNG vehicles of similar type/model/series; and

WHEREAS, as part of the consideration for the purchase of the diesel trucks, the District has recently switched from traditional diesel fuel to renewable diesel fuel; and

WHEREAS, according to the Environmental Protection Agency, renewable diesel is a biogenic fuel produced from plant or animal products or wastes and is chemically the same as petroleum-based diesel; and

WHEREAS, as a result, renewable diesel can be used in existing fueling infrastructure and vehicles without upgrades; and

- **WHEREAS**, renewable diesel fuels offer a variety of environmental benefits including reduced emissions of nitrogen oxides (NOx), carbon monoxide (CO), and particulate matter (PM); and
- **WHEREAS**, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) recently found renewable diesel fuel to be one of the lowest carbon-intensity fuels available today and can reduce carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions anywhere from 20-60 percent; and
- WHEREAS, growing interest in renewable diesel fuel was further strengthened by the California Energy Commission's support for promoting the use of renewable diesel fuel as a means of reaching the state's energy and environmental goals; and
- **WHEREAS**, as renewable diesel is produced from biogenic waste products that would have decayed and produced CO2 emissions elsewhere, the emissions produced from renewable diesel use do not lead to a net increase; and
- **WHEREAS**, as a result, CARB has removed the summary of renewable diesel CO2 emissions from the annual state-wide inventory of CO2 emissions; and
- **WHEREAS**, the use of renewable diesel will help the District towards meeting the Climate Action Plan (CAP) goals to curb greenhouse gas emissions on District Tidelands; and
- **WHEREAS**, a variety of public agencies have switched all or a portion of their diesel fuel use to renewable diesel, including the Cities of San Diego and Carlsbad, as well as the County of San Diego; and
- **WHEREAS**, District staff has reached out to these agencies regarding their experience with renewable diesel, and all of the feedback received has been favorable as other agencies have not suffered performance issues; and
- **WHEREAS**, the District received quotations from Downtown Ford Sales located in Sacramento, California for four (4) one-ton diesel powered trucks in the amount of \$213,956.89 through a cooperative purchase contract with the State of California and the City of Sacramento; and
- **WHEREAS**, the contract has piggyback provisions which allow the District to purchase at the same price, terms and conditions as the original contract; and
- **WHEREAS**, The State of California Cooperative contracts are available to all State of California governmental entities including State Departments, Agencies, Cities, Counties, School Districts, and Universities for the acquisition of both goods and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, as follows:

That the Executive Director or her designated representative is hereby authorized and directed on behalf of the San Diego Unified Port District to enter into a Purchase Agreement with Downtown Ford Sales for the purchase of four one-ton renewable diesel powered trucks for an amount not to exceed \$213,957.

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 9th day of January, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: Bonelli, Castellanos, Malcolm, Merrifield, Moore, and Valderrama

NAYS: None.

EXCUSED: Zucchet ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None.

Rafael Castellanos, Chairman Board of Port Commissioners

ATTEST:

Donna Morales District Clerk

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