

**RESOLUTION 2018-022**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT  
UNDER THE BLUE ECONOMY INCUBATOR  
SECOND ROUND OF INCUBATOR PROPOSALS  
WITH ZEPHYR DEBRIS REMOVAL LLC FOR A 1-  
YEAR PILOT PROJECT TO DEMONSTRATE A  
MARINE DEBRIS REMOVAL SYSTEM FOR A  
TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000**

**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 I (“Port Act”); and

**WHEREAS**, in 2016 the District established the Blue Economy incubator to assist in the creation, development and scaling of new business ventures on San Diego Bay, focusing on Aquaculture and Blue Technology; and

**WHEREAS**, the Blue Economy incubator is part of a 5-year plan to establish a Blue Economy portfolio of companies that could deliver multiple social, environmental, and economic benefits to the region; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 10, 2017, the Board of Port Commissioners directed staff to begin negotiating agreements for the second round of proposals per the Blue Economy incubator; and

**WHEREAS**, Staff has negotiated a proposed agreement with Zephyr Debris Removal LLC (Zephyr) and therefore recommends the Board authorize an agreement for a pilot project with Zephyr to demonstrate a custom-made vessel and skimming technology to remove marine debris in the Bay environment for \$100,000 for one year.

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

That the Executive Director and/or her designated representative is hereby authorized on behalf of the District to enter into an Agreement under the Blue Economy Incubator second round of incubator proposals with Zephyr Debris Removal LLC for a 1-year pilot project to demonstrate a marine debris removal system for a total amount not to exceed \$100,000.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:  
GENERAL COUNSEL

  
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By: Assistant/Deputy

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 9<sup>th</sup> 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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