

Port of Port Angeles

Port Angeles, Washington

Commissioners' Resolution No. 19-1199

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE PORT OF PORT ANGELES, RELATING TO PORT DISTRICT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.

WHEREAS, the expenditure of port funds for industrial development and trade promotion is considered a public purpose under the Washington State Constitution;

WHEREAS, it is a public purpose for port districts to engage in economic development programs under RCW 53.08.245;

WHEREAS, the Legislature unanimously amended RCW 53.08.245 to allow port districts to contract with private and public entities, in addition to nonprofit corporations, that provide economic development programs, including training systems as defined in RCW 28C.18.010 and those that promote workforce diversity;

WHEREAS, RCW 53.08.245(2)(a) reads "economic development programs may include: occupational job training and placement, job advancement and job retention, preapprenticeship training, or occupational education programs associated with port tenants, customers, and local economic development related to port tenants or port-related economic activities that are sponsored by a port and operated by a nonprofit, private, or public entity";

WHEREAS, such economic development programs provide a substantial public benefit consistent with the port commission's economic development goals and ongoing advocacy efforts for worker training initiatives;

WHEREAS, workforce development is a basic business interest and a real-world necessity for ports and industry partners; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Plan for the Port of Port Angeles explicitly states that the agency will advocate to advance the development and retention of a diversified and skilled workforce within Clallam County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Port shall work with its customers, tenants, and others to identify and develop occupational training and workforce development opportunities as appropriate.
2. The Port shall be authorized to invest in occupational training and workforce development programs that provide a substantial public benefit.

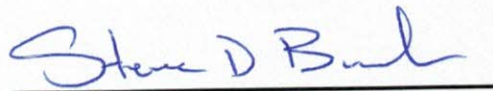
3. The Port shall be authorized to contract with nonprofit, academic, private, and public entities to operate economic development programs, including training systems as defined in RCW 28C.18.010 (or as subsequently amended) and those that promote workforce diversity.
4. Economic development programs may include the types of programs identified in RCW 53.08.245(2)(a) (or as subsequently amended).
5. The Port shall ensure any economic development programs it supports align with the agency's economic development goals.
6. The Port shall, as a contract condition, require any entity that operates programs, which are the focus of RCW 53.08.245 and this resolution, to submit annually quantitative information on program outcomes including: the number of workers trained, recruited, placed in jobs, and retained; the types of jobs and range of compensation; the number and types of businesses that are served; and any other tangible benefits realized by the port, the workers, businesses, and the public.

ADOPTED by the Port Commission for the Port of Port Angeles at a regular meeting thereof held this 13th day of August 2019.

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