

CBJ DOCKS & HARBORS BOARD
CIP/PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
January 24th, 2013

I. Call to Order.

Michael Williams called the meeting to order at 4:58 p.m in the Assembly Chambers.

II. Roll.

The following members were present: Greg Busch, Kevin Jardell, Eric Kueffner, David Logan, Budd Simpson, and Michael Williams.

Also in attendance were: Tom Donek – Board Member, Gary Gillette – Port Engineer, Dwight Tajon – Harbormaster, Loran Jones - Assembly Liaison, and Carl Uchytel – Port Director via telephone.

III. Approval of Agenda.

MOTION by MR.LOGAN: TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED AND ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

The motion passed without objection.

IV. Public Participation - None

V. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes.

Hearing no objection, the December 13th, 2012 CIP meeting minutes were approved.

VI. Items for Action.

1. FY14 CIP List

Mr. Gillette said in the packet is a list of CIP projects that were submitted to the manager at the end of December for the Marine Passenger Fees. The list is a Draft and if the Board wanted changes made, staff can still make the changes and re-submit to the manager. Mr. Gillette said he prepared a six year outlook for the improvement plan with the amount of money anticipated for these projects. This is money Docks and Harbors is asking the Assembly to approve in their next budget.

The following list is for Docks;

The new Cruise Ship Berths (16B) - Docks and Harbors is starting a contract for the construction that will be for \$25.8 million. The Finance Director is looking into a way to sign a contract for the entire amount, even though this is done in phases, and not have to commit to the full amount up front. Not going with a bond will save CBJ having to pay a lot of interest. The \$25.8 million could change a little, but it is not anticipated. There is \$35 million set aside for this project.

The Power Capstans at the Cruise Dock – The Stevedores that tie up the cruise ships, use

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a forklift to help pull the cruise ship lines during docking. There are three dolphins in front of the port customs building that a forklift cannot assist with pulling the lines. They are pulled by hand and the lines are very heavy. Three power capstans could be put in this year at the dolphin locations where the forklift can't assist and moved to the new dock location when the new dock is completed.

The Real Time Weather and Communication System – This would be a system that records current and weather and be broadcasted out on the radio system so mariners could use that information.

The Auke Bay Passenger For Hire Float – This has been on the list for a couple of years. Docks and Harbors is asking for \$800,000 in FY14 to start the planning, design and permitting of this project. The rest of the monies for this project has not been identified.

Downtown Restrooms – The Board members and the Assembly has identified a need for more restrooms in the cruise dock area.

Juneau Maritime Center – This will be a future project. It is the office building plan at the former public works site.

The following list is for Harbors;

Aurora Harbor Rebuild – The \$7 million is the bond package that was approved by the voters and with the other \$4 million we have on hand, will be \$11 million. The updated cost estimate is now \$22 million.

Aurora Harbormaster Building- This is a future project with an estimated cost of \$3 million.

Direct Market Fish Sales Facility – This is estimated to cost about \$1 million.

This is just an overview of the projects over a six year time frame.

Mr. Gillette said another report for the FY14 Capital improvements is also in your packet and this is a list of projects requested for the FY 14 budget.

Committee Questions

Mr. Logan asked what are the passenger for hire boats going to use as a temporary facility at Statter Harbor?

Mr. Gillette said the plan is to temporarily use the work float that is a wooden float that has been used in the past as a transitional float.

Mr. Busch asked in terms of process, what is the action needed from the Committee tonight for this item?

Mr. Gillette said the process would be to take this list to the Board and the Board would make the final motion to recommend to the Assembly.

Mr. Jardell asked why the Auke Bay Passenger For Hire Facility is under Docks and not Harbors? Is this a distinction on funding availability or purpose?

Mr. Gillette said it is under Docks because it is associated with cruise ships, which is a dock use.

Mr. Jardell asked if dock maintenance funds could be used for this?

Mr. Gillette said yes.

Public Comment - None

Committee Discussion/Action

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MOTION By MR.BUSCH: TO FORWARD THE FY14 CIP LIST TO THE FULL BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION FOR SUBMISSION TO THE ASSEMBLY AND ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

The Motion Passed with no objection

VII. Items for Information - None.

VIII. Member & Staff Reports

Mr. Gillette said he has received questions on the Statter Harbor project. Docks and Harbors contractor Pacific Pile and Marine had some issues with their crane when they were in Skagway working on a project. The issue was that they lost their main engine on their crane and that slowed them down getting to Juneau. Their crane is in Juneau now and they are setting up to start drilling pile sockets as early as this weekend. They are dropping floats in the water to prepare now. They will start working six/ten hour days and if they are not reaching the production needed to complete the job on schedule, they will go to seven/twelve hour days. Pacific Pile and Marine has shown staff a schedule that this project will still be completed by the middle of May.

Mr. Kueffner asked how many sockets were going to be drilled?

Mr. Gillette said he couldn't remember off the top of his head

Mr. Kueffner asked when was the last time anything was drilled at Statter Harbor?

Mr. Gillette said there was some recent test drills for Geo Tech information. These piles will be drilled down and socketed. They vibrate them down and then drill and then vibrate down again, and at the very end it will be impacted to get the final way down. It will not be a constant all day banging. There will be noise and staff has let the public know about the noise. Mr. Gillette said staff is keeping a close eye on this project for noise complaints and making sure they stay on schedule for completion.

IX. Committee Administrative Matters.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 21st, 2013 at 5:00 pm in the Assembly Chambers.

X. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 pm.