

COMMISSION AGENDA

Item No: 5D

Meeting: 12/15/22

DATE: November 30, 2022

TO: Port Commission

FROM: Eric Johnson, Executive Director

Project Sponsor: Sean Eagan, Government Affairs Director

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SUBJECT: Resolution Committing to a \$2 Million Local Match for the Interstate 5/Port of Tacoma Road Interchange

A. ACTION REQUESTED

Approval of Resolution 2022-20-PT committing the Port of Tacoma to providing a contribution to the Interstate 5/Port of Tacoma Road Interchange project of up to \$2 million in the form of cash.

B. BACKGROUND

In 2015 the Washington State Legislature passed the Connecting Washington statewide transportation package which funded the first phase of the Interstate 5/Port of Tacoma Road Interchange. The Port of Tacoma Commission subsequently approved a \$1.5 million contribution to the project.

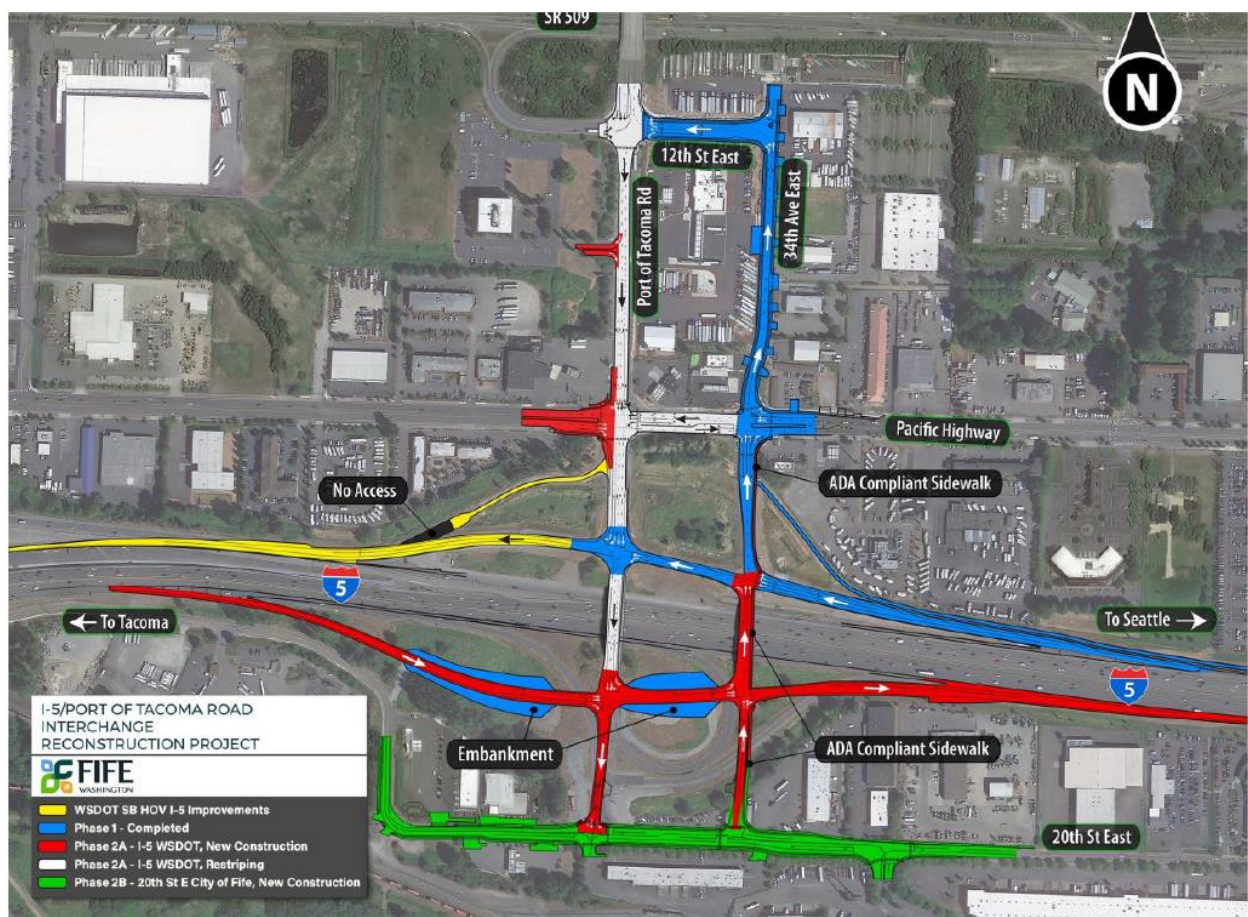
In 2021, the Port of Tacoma Commission adopted a new strategic plan which identified the importance supporting infrastructure products that increased Port freight mobility, prioritizing the Interstate 5/Port of Tacoma Road Interchange.

The following year, the state legislature approved the *Move Ahead Washington* statewide transportation packaged, which authorized \$35 million in funding for phase 2 of the Interstate 5/Port of Tacoma Road Interchange project. Late that year, on October 5, the City of Fife, during the Port of Tacoma/City of Fife Joint Study Session formally asked the Port of Tacoma Commission to help close a final projected shortfall of \$2 million. Later, on November 17, 2022, the Port of Tacoma Commission adopted an updated list of bridge and road priorities which included the completion of the Interstate 5/Port of Tacoma Road Interchange.

Phase 1 Funds	
City of Fife	\$12.1 M
Port of Tacoma	\$1.5 M
WA Department of Ecology	\$0.3 M
Federal Highway Administration/PSRC	\$11.1 M
Federal Highway Admin./SAFETEA -LU	\$0.7 M
Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board	\$8.7 M
Transportation Improvement Board	\$7.6 M
Connecting WA (2015 Legislation)	<u>\$2.6 M</u>
Total Phase 1	\$44.6 M
Phase 2A and 2B Funds	
City of Fife	\$8.4 M
FMSIB	\$7.5 M
Connecting Washington – 2015 Legislation	\$19.7 M
Murray/PSRC/TIB/Port (Anticipated)	\$6.0 M
Move Ahead Washington – 2022 Legislation	<u>\$35.0M</u>
Total-Phase 2	\$76.6 M

C. SCOPE OF WORK

Resolution 2022-20-PT would formally recognize an additional \$2 million (for a total of \$3.5 million) contribution by the Port of Tacoma to phase 2 of the Interstate 5/Port of Tacoma Road Interchange Project. The project is a multi-phased plan to provide an overall interchange reconfiguration that would create a one-way couplet by adding a new bridge over I-5 at 34th Avenue East to carry northbound traffic while the existing bridge at Port of Tacoma Road will be converted to one-way southbound. Locating the new southbound exit ramp from I-5 closer to the freeway and farther from Pacific Highway will eliminate tight turns for trucks and avoids interference with the intersection of Port of Tacoma Road and Pacific Highway.



D. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Cost: The Port will contribute an additional \$2 million (for a total of \$3.5) million to the Interstate 5/Port of Tacoma Road Interchange project.

Source of Funds: The Port's tax levy in excess of what is need to pay General Obligation bond debt service will be used to pay the additional \$2 million contribution.

Item	Budget Estimate	Expenditure to Date	Additional Future Cash Expenditures	Anticipated Total Expenditures
I-5/Port of Tacoma Road	\$3.5 million	\$1.5 million	\$2 million	\$3.5 million
TOTAL	\$3.5 million	\$1.5 million	\$2 million	\$3.5 million

Financial Impacts: Recognition of the \$2million commitment in the 2022 profit and loss statement.

E. NEXT STEPS

Port staff will negotiate a draft interlocal agreement with the City of Fife containing the specific details, timing, and conditions associated with the commitment contained in the Resolution 2022-20-PT. This agreement will be brought before the Commission for its consideration in 2023.