

AGENDA

Port of Kennewick
Regular Commission Business Meeting
Port of Kennewick Commission Chambers
350 Clover Island Drive, Suite 200, Kennewick, Washington

Tuesday, November 13, 2012
2:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PUBLIC COMMENT *(Please state your name and address for the public record)*

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Direct Deposit and Warrants Dated October 31, 2012
- B. Approval of Warrant Registers Dated November 14, 2012
- C. Approval to Endorse an Amendment to Washington's Energy Independence Act (I-937); Resolution 2012-53

V. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Citizen Feedback Regarding Public Participation, Tom Moak
- B. Planning, Environmental and Economic Consulting Services for Future of Vista Field Airport Project, Michael Mahaffey of Duany Plater-Zyberk and Company (DPZ)

VI. REPORTS, COMMENTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. 2013 Committee Assignments
- B. Delegation of Authority
- C. Port Presentation Schedule
- D. Cancellation of November 27, 2012 Regular Commission Meeting
- E. Cancellation of December 25, 2012 Regular Commission Meeting
- F. Commissioner Meetings (formal and informal meetings with groups or individuals)
- G. Non-Scheduled Items

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT *(Please state your name and address for the public record)*

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION, if necessary *(Ask public if they are staying, and if not, where they can be located if the Executive Session ends early.)*

- A. Potential Litigation, per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)
- B. Personnel, per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)

IX. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE SILENCE CELL PHONES

PORT OF KENNEWICK

RESOLUTION No. 2012-53

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE PORT OF KENNEWICK ENDORSING AN AMENDMENT TO WASHINGTON'S ENERGY INDEPENDENCE ACT (I-937)

WHEREAS, the Energy Independence Act (EIA), requires qualifying utilities to incrementally increase the amount of eligible renewable resources to 15 percent by 2020 and to pursue all cost-effective conservation requirements starting in 2010; and

WHEREAS, the eligible renewable resources are narrowly defined to exclude existing hydropower, a clean renewable resource supplying over two-thirds of the electricity in the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, many utilities' energy demands are not growing as projected or have declined due to the combination of successful conservation programs and the poor economy; and

WHEREAS, the EIA requires qualifying utilities to purchase specific eligible renewable energy resources or renewable energy credits even if the utilities don't need additional power; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of unneeded eligible renewable energy resources or renewable energy credits will have a detrimental impact on utility budgets and increase customer rates and negatively affect the economy; and

WHEREAS, a change in the law is needed to provide qualifying utilities the choice to avoid the purchase of unneeded renewable energy or renewable energy credits; and

WHEREAS, a change in the law could be made without changing the overall intent of the EIA, which is to encourage the use of conservation and the use of renewable energy resources; and

WHEREAS, a change in the law is needed to protect ratepayers of qualifying utilities from unnecessary additional costs which will result in unwanted rate increases and further encumber the economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Port of Kennewick hereby joins the efforts of the Tri-City Regional Chamber of Commerce and others in seeking a change in the Energy Independence Act that would allow utilities to delay buying power from eligible renewable sources until their demand grows enough that they need the additional power.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Port of Kennewick on November 13, 2012.

**PORT of KENNEWICK
BOARD of COMMISSIONERS**

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