



The Port of Long Beach

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March 8, 2005

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

SUBJECT: LONG BEACH HARBOR DEPARTMENT GREEN PORT POLICY

RECOMMENDATION

We respectfully recommend that the report given to the City Council be received and filed, and if necessary referred to the appropriate policy committee(s).

DISCUSSION

In November 2004, the Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners requested that Harbor Department staff prepare an Environmental Policy for Board consideration. The vision of the Board was to develop a comprehensive, measurable, community sensitive policy that would make the Long Beach Harbor Department a model Port in achieving environmental improvements. This innovative policy establishes a new environmental ethic that will guide the Harbor Department in all operations.

On January 4, 2005, staff reported to the Long Beach City Council and the public that the proposed policy was scheduled to be considered at the Harbor Commission meeting on January 18, 2005, and encouraged participation and input. The Board discussed the item on January 18th, accepted public input, and on January 24th formally adopted a resolution establishing the Harbor Department's new Green Port Policy.

The Green Port Policy includes five policy statements that would guide the growth and development of the Long Beach Harbor Department. These policies are detailed in the attached Resolution and will be presented to the City Council by Harbor Department staff. To implement the Green Port Policy, specific goals, metrics, and programs have been adopted and include incentives to promote program participation.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

At the January 4, 2004 meeting, the Long Beach City Council requested that the Long Beach Harbor Department return as soon as possible to present the Green Port Policy.



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The Green Port Policy also provides for periodic reporting function to the Board of Harbor Commissioners and the City Council.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Receive and file.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Steinke', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Richard D. Steinke
Executive Director

Attachments:

Green Port Policy Resolution

cc: Gerald R. Miller, City Manager