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**RESOLUTION 20xx-xxx**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND AWARDING CONTRACT NO. 2021-08 TO LARISON CONTRACTING CORP. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$531,995 FOR THE SAN DIEGO BAY NATIVE OYSTER LIVING SHORELINE PROJECT, CHULA VISTA, CA, AS AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD IN THE FY 2022 EQUIPMENT OUTLAY AND OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS APPROPRIATION**

**WHEREAS**, the San Diego Unified Port District (District) is a public corporation created by the Legislature in 1962 pursuant to Harbors and Navigation Code Appendix 1, (Port Act); and

**WHEREAS**, Section 37 of the Port Act requires that the California Public Contract Code (PCC) apply to public projects of the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Port Commissioners (BPC) adopted the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act (Accounting Act) procedures of the PCC to apply to public projects of the District via BPC Resolution 98-249; and

**WHEREAS**, the BPC adopted BPC Policy 110 incorporating the provisions of the Accounting Act to govern the processing and administration of public projects; and

**WHEREAS**, staff recommends that the BPC approve the plans and specifications and authorize the award of an Equipment Outlay and Other Capital Projects construction contract to Larison Contracting Corp. in the amount of \$531,995 for the installation of reef ball elements for the San Diego Bay Native Oyster Living Shoreline Project, Chula Vista, CA; and

**WHEREAS**, the San Diego Bay Native Oyster Living Shoreline Restoration Project is the first of its kind in the Bay; and

**WHEREAS**, creating a living shoreline that utilizes native oyster reef ball elements to provide multiple ecosystem benefits while increasing the resiliency of the adjacent coastal salt marsh against projected climate change impacts; and

**WHEREAS**, ecosystem benefits also include providing habitat value, improved water quality, restoring natural estuarine habitat, and protecting shorelines from erosion, the flooding effects of storms, and sea level rise; and

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**WHEREAS**, this grant funded project involves the installation of 360 oyster reef balls within six treatment areas in south San Diego Bay along the eastern portion of the Chula Vista Wildlife Reserve's northern shoreline; and

**WHEREAS**, the three phases of the living shoreline project, including fabrication, installation, and long-term monitoring of the living shoreline, are funded by a grant from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Program through an award to the California Coastal Conservancy, with the District as a sub awardee, in the amount of \$890,000 (BPC Resolution No. 2021-0183) and from Port Restricted Funds in the amount of \$49,900; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract documents including plans (CV-2021-02) and specifications (2021-08) were issued for advertisement on July 30, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 30, 2021, the District received four bids ranging from \$531,995 to \$934,400; and

**WHEREAS**, the lowest responsive and responsible bid was submitted by Larison Contracting Corp. in the amount of \$531,995; and

**WHEREAS**, staff recommends that the BPC approve the plans and specifications and award Contract No. 2021-08 to Larison Contracting Corp., in the amount of \$531,995 for the installation of the reef ball elements of the San Diego Bay Native Oyster Living Shoreline Project; and

**WHEREAS**, this project is included in the FY 2022 Other Capital and Equipment Outlay Appropriation budget; and

**WHEREAS**, an amount of \$904,900 has been allocated in the FY 2022 Equipment Outlay and Other Capital Projects appropriation for fabrication, design, and installation of the reef ball elements as well as long-term monitoring.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, as follows:

That the Plans and Specifications for Contract No. 2021-08, are hereby approved and Contract No. 2021-08 for the installation of the reef ball elements for the San Diego Bay Native Oyster Living Shoreline Project, in the amount of \$531,995 is hereby awarded to Larison Contracting Corp., as authorized by the Board of Port Commissioners in the Fiscal Year 2022 Other Capital and Equipment Outlay Appropriation budget.

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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:  
GENERAL COUNSEL

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By: Assistant/Deputy

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Port Commissioners of the San Diego Unified Port District, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021, by the following vote: