



**CITY OF SAN DIEGO
COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM SHERRI S. LIGHTNER
DISTRICT ONE**

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 6, 2013

TO: Honorable Mayor Bob Filner

FROM: Council President Pro Tem Sherri S. Lightner

SUBJECT: San Diego Unified Port District

This is in response to your memo dated January 18, 2013. As we can all agree, the Port of San Diego is integral to this city's overarching economic vibrancy and vision. Because of that fact, I will be holding a workshop at the March 6, 2013 Rules and Economic Development Committee meeting to look at the city's long-term goals for the Port as well as how best to select Port Commissioners with the appropriate skills and background to ensure the city is able to implement its long-term vision for the Port and our maritime industries. I welcome the input and participation of the Mayor's office in this effort.

Specifically, the meeting will cover three critical areas:

1. Comprehensive Economic Vision for the Port
 - a. Establishing the city's vision for bolstering and growing our Port and examining how to better align that vision with the city's long-term economic goals and incorporating that vision in the upcoming Port Master Plan Update.
 - b. Developing best practices for how the city can work with the Port to ensure that our priorities are being implemented and that we as a city have the proper policies and procedures to provide the necessary accountability, communication and performance measures.

2. Codified Selection Process for the City's Port Commission Representatives
 - a. Establishing core qualifications such as educational background, professional work experience and understanding of Port operations and functions as well as the role that the Port plays in our local economy.
 - b. Reviewing and revising our current policies and procedures to develop a selection process for appointments that is consistent and provides clarity, transparency and accountability.

3. Role and Responsibilities of the City's Port Commission Representatives
 - a. Reviewing the roles and responsibilities of the city's Port Commission representatives to ensure accountability in furthering the city's overarching goals and priorities.
 - b. Establishing channels of communication that ensure timely and appropriate oversight so the city can provide direction in advancing its overall goals for the Port going forward.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or my staff.

cc: Honorable Councilmembers
Jan Goldsmith, City Attorney
Andrea Tevlin, Independent Budget Analyst

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