



Port of San Francisco – Pier 1 – San Francisco, CA 94111

*Thursday, May 18, 11:30pm - 1:00pm
Bayside Conference Room & via Zoom*

Attendees:

1	Zac	Adami	Port of SF
2	Demetri	Amaro	Port of SF
3	Mike	Bishop	Martin Marietta
4	Joe	Burgard	Red & White Fleet
5	John	Carlier	SF Bar Pilots
6	Andre	Coleman	Port of SF
7	Boris	Delepine	Port of SF
8	Ellen	Johnck	Co-chair
9	Denise	Lum	Port of SF
10	Mario	Marocco	Martin Marietta
11	Wendy	McArthur	Port of SF
12	Gabe	Mikulich	Port of SF
13	Joe	Monroe	Port of SF
14	Itzel	Monzon	Metro Cruise
15	Dominic	Moreno	Port of SF
16	Marina	Secchitano	Co-chair
17	Alvin	Sonza	Port of SF
18	Dave	Thomas	Port of SF
19	Anita	Yao	Port of SF

1. Welcome

- Self-introductions by all present.

2. Maritime Update (Andre Coleman)

- We are having a strong year in cruise even though cruise calls declined slightly from 115 to 103.
- The decline is due to a shorter homeport season with Carnival Cruises and minor cancellations with Viking Cruises. Viking Cruises will be returning next year.
- Carnival homeport season kicked off last Thursday.

- Carnival and Princess homeports throughout the year.
- We have surpassed our volumes at Pier 80 from the previous year but are still at the low end. We will finish the fiscal year with approximately 25,000 units.
- There has been a decline in cargo activity.
- The volume on the aggregate side is driven by demand for construction in the city.
- We have not had a vessel for aggregate imports this calendar year at Pier 94.
- There is a forthcoming lease renewal/negotiation with the current operator at Pier 94, Martin Marietta.
- The SailGP championship race event took place in the bay on May 5-6. There were an estimated 15,000 people in attendance. Ten international teams competed, with Australia taking the win 3 years in a row.
- At the southeast corner of Pier 80 Shed A, SailGP hosted an Inspired Youth Program. Through the program, students from the San Francisco Unified School Districts were able to visit and learn about high performance sailing and racing on the bay.
- The retail crab sales season ended early due to environmental issues. After the close, the season was able to reopen due to new technologies being deployed off the coast.
- Salmon season was cancelled this year by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. This impacts the commercial fishing community; however, retail fish sales are still ongoing with halibut being the popular species right now.
- During the last cyclone, the Port sustained some damage to our maritime facilities. Pier 35 had roof damage; the public boat launch ramp at Pier 52 is offline indefinitely; and repairs for the water taxi landing at Pier 1.5 are hopefully forthcoming so that our water transit operators can resume their services.
- We are looking for State grant funding from the Department of Boating and Waterways to subsidize the repair at Pier 52.
- The Port hosted the Japan Coast Guard training vessel, the Kojima, in May at Piers 30/32. Staff did a great job to support their needs. They will be returning with a new vessel on their next visit.
- We had some interest in the purchase of the drydocks and we are finalizing our request for offering. Once the process concludes, the RFO will be live, and we can move forward divesting the assets at the shipyard.
- Boris did an amazing job facilitating a meeting with MARAD last week. We gave them an overview of our operations and voiced our interest in seeking funding for infrastructure improvements, followed by a waterside tour to see our facilities.

3. Port Grants and Legislative Update (Boris Delepine)

- The State's budget is at a deficit of 31 – 40 billion dollars.
- The Port submitted a 40-million-dollar grant application to CalSta to support our maritime eco industrial complex at the southern waterfront.
- Due to the deficit, the award of the grant fundings will be delayed until August.
- The AB 525 Study which comes out in June will identify the Port of San Francisco as one of the potential places to support offshore wind energy.
- It was great to show MARAD the diversity of our waterfront and diversity of maritime uses during their visit.

- The award for the RAISE grant will be announced in the next month or so. The Port submitted a 20 million grant application for eco-industrial projects in the southern waterfront.
- The EPA was provided with 3 billion to fund zero-emission port equipment to help ports develop climate action plans to reduce air pollutants at U.S. ports. The RFI is due in June 2023.
- There will be 600-million-dollar funding available for Port Infrastructure Development Program. This grant supports improvements related to freight infrastructure and transportation.
- Speaker Pelosi was at a press conference out on the waterfront and spoke about the closure and cancellation of salmon season last month. 300 million from federal funding has been appropriated for the fishing industry in California.
- Senator Weiner introduced SB 273, the redevelopment of Piers 30/32. The project is to retain deep water berths, adding office space, housing, and mixed-used developments. The Bill passed the Senate this week and is headed to the State Assembly.

4. Offshore Wind (OSW) Opportunities (Andre Coleman)

- Offshore Wind was presented to the Port Commission at the April 25 meeting. The commission is very supportive of offshore wind energy.
- On September 23, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom signed into law Assembly Bill 525 which took effect January 1, 2022. AB 525, which was sponsored by former Assemblymember (and current San Francisco City Attorney) David Chiu, requires the California Energy Commission (CEC), in coordination with federal, state, and local agencies and a wide variety of stakeholders, to develop a strategic plan for offshore wind energy deployment off the California coast in federal waters. The CEC must submit the strategic plan to the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) and the Legislature by no later than June 30, 2023.
- For more information, please view the presentation under supporting documents.
- To read the staff report from the April 25th, control click this link:
- https://sfport.com/files/2023-04/042523-9a_offshore_wind_energy_informational_item.pdf

5. Old and New Business; General Discussion

- The Port is collaborating with Cal Maritime and the San Francisco Unified School District for a weeklong program in July to introduce students to the maritime industry. Then, the students will come to the Port, and we will schedule site visits with some of our maritime tenants. Itzel Monzan, the terminal manager at Metro Cruise is an alumnus of Cal-Maritime and the program.
- The Working Waterfront Coalition was created to attract people to become mariners. They would like to provide support and have an apprentice program in place, including components of offshore wind.
- Alvin Sonza has been promoted as the new harbormaster at South Beach Harbor.
- An area around Pier 68 was used to store debris piles for project Crane Cove Park during phase 2. The operation to bring the land back to flat surface impacted Silverado leasehold so we paused their lease for 9 months. It is now back to flat land.

- With development projects going on in the southern waterfront, it raises concerns about how it will have an impact on our industrial facilities.
- The Port has entered into an agreement with Off the Grid. Off the Grid will have food trucks at Pier 27 on cruise days.
- Every Monday is Mutt Monday aboard the SF Water Taxi. Bring your mutt and you can ride for free.
- SF Bar Pilots reported 26.8 billion gross tons for April 2023, the largest since October 2020.
- The Portola Music Festival is taking place on Saturday, September 30th & Sunday, October 1st, 2023, at Pier 80.
- Emergency and Security Manager position has been offered to Kyle Thomas, a former retired police officer with the Marine Unit.
- National Maritime Day is May 22, 2023
- In 2023 Red and White began operating a private commuter ferry service for Genentech with 2 high speed catamarans.
- Joe Burgard voiced his concerns regarding retail theft, illegal street vendors, car break-ins, and the most pressing issue are loud volumes coming from the street performers down at Fisherman's Wharf. Andre's response:
 - Efforts have been sporadically deployed to stop illegal vending by both real estate and maritime division staff.
 - With the new security manager in place, we hope he can tap into his SFPD resources to support the Port's efforts in deterring illegal vending.
 - Our CCO stays in contact with SFPD Chief Lazar to talk about a multitude of issues, including illegal vending, but that topic is not always the focus.
 - The Port is seeking a \$2.1 million dollar grant for the Fisherman's Wharf Community Benefits District. With this funding, FWCBD will provide ambassadors along the FW corridor to Pier 27. We hope that their presence will deter the illegal vending in that area.

6. Forward Calendar:

- MCAC meeting dates schedule in 2023 (third Thursday, every other month): MCAC meetings are held in person and virtually, unless otherwise noticed, and begin at 11:30am.
Due to the COVID-19 public health orders, this meeting will be held online and by teleconference.