

ADMINISTRATIVE EXEMPTION and TRADE, TRAVEL, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to amending the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) agreement with Ports America Cruise, Inc.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. ADOPT the determination by the Board of Harbor Commissioners that the proposed action is administratively exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Article II, Section 2.f of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.
2. APPROVE the Port Resolution No. 20-9661 for the Fourth Amendment to POLA Agreement with Ports America Cruise, Inc., for services provided to any cruise vessel calling at a berth outside the cruise terminal designated by and as deemed necessary by POLA regardless of the number of vessels calling at the port, and increasing the annual compensation by \$25,000 from \$50,000 to \$75,000 for services provided at POLA events.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer (CAO) reports that this action will not impact the General Fund. The proposed Fourth Amendment to POLA Operating Agreement No. 13-3112 with Ports America Cruise, Inc. is to expand allowable service conditions and locations and to adjust compensation for service during POLA-sponsored events. The POLA has budgeted \$2,232,057 in the Harbor Revenue Fund for costs under the agreement in Fiscal Year 2021.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**TIME LIMIT FILE – DECEMBER 9, 2020**

**(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION – DECEMBER 21, 2020)**

### SUMMARY

In a report to the Mayor dated September 3, 2020, the CAO states POLA requests approval of a proposed Fourth Amendment to Agreement No. 13-3112 with Ports America Cruise, Inc., to expand allowable service conditions and locations and to adjust compensation for service during POLA-sponsored events. According to the CAO, the current agreement with Ports America is for the operation, management, and maintenance of the World Cruise Center at Berths 91-93 and the Outer Harbor Overflow Facilities at Berth 46 at the Port of Los Angeles. The proposed amendment will expand the terms of the agreement to compensate Ports America for services provided to any cruise vessel calling at any POLA berth as designated and deemed necessary by POLA, and increase the compensation for services provided by Ports America at the Cruise Terminal during Port-sponsored events to \$75,000 per fiscal year. Except for these provision changes, all other terms and conditions of the agreement remain the same.

On June 18, 2020, the Board of Harbor Commissioners approved POLA's request. The CAO concurs with this action.

At its meeting held December 1, 2020, the Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee

recommended that Council approve the proposed amendment of the POLA agreement with Ports America Cruise, Inc., as recommended by the Board of Harbor Commissioners and the CAO.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRADE, TRAVEL, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
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BUSCAINO:	YES
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BONIN:	YES
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KREKORIAN:	YES
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