

# Port Growth and the Go North Strategy

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## **Presentation Overview**

- Port Growth-Related Strategy Excerpt
- Tactical Strategies in Play
- Deployable Port Assets in Support of Growth Strategy
- Foundation for the Adoption of a Growth Boundary
- Status Out-of-District Economic Development Activities
- Proposed Next Steps
- Discussion and Direction

## Relevant Plan Strategies - Excerpts

### Seaport Modernization & Industrial Real Estate

- Foreign Trade Zone as tool for development outside District
- Identify strategic land acquisition opportunities
- Identify P3 development opportunities supporting off-terminal cargo
- Increase rail utilization thru tenant, customer and partner collaboration
- Initiate a sustainable non-aerospace cargo short-sea shipping business

### **Economic Development and Transportation**

- Develop revenue diversification plan for all business lines
- Develop Non-traditional business expansion to improve financial durability
- Conduct District expansion economic value assessment



### Why partners eager to work with the Port?

- Economic development is the sole mandate of ports
- Collaboration provides access to port economic tools
- Track record of success in job creation/development

Most counties have county-wide port putting Snohomish communities at a disadvantage

Port partnership makes Snohomish County stronger

## **Tactics Discussed**

- Full utilization of Port holdings investment plan for all real estate:
   surplus/exit or invest decisions
- Protection of industry/ jobs targeted key growth sectors
- Refocus strategic Everett and Mukilteo partnerships overlapping goals
- Develop partnership strategic objectives Arlington and Marysville
- Expand partnerships private, tribes, higher learning, work source and utilities agencies
- Evaluate additional contiguous areas for similar opportunities

### Can the Port invest outside its boundaries?

# **Expanding** boundary:

RCW 53.08.450

RCW 52.20.010

RCW 36.70A.085

As the Port continues to work on current initiatives, longer-range plans to expand and investments outside the current boundaries should be evaluated.

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### **Purchasing Property:**

**Outside Port Jurisdiction** 

For Future Property Development

### Planning Considerations:

- County Comprehensive Plan Element
- Port Comprehensive Scheme Update
- Public communication and Input

## **Consider District Expansion to CIC**

In addition to city partnership, there are other important partners with which we could:

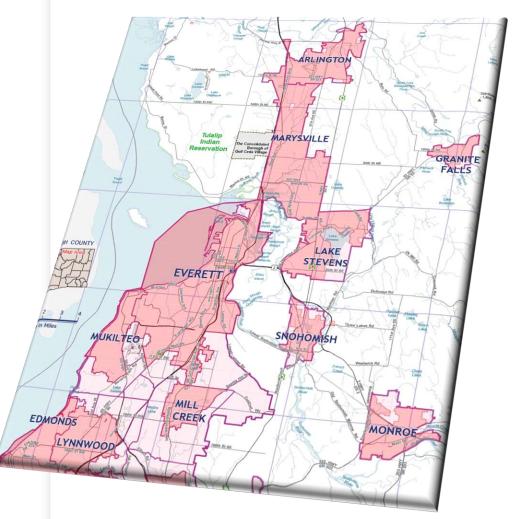
- Acquire lands for targeted industry growth and job creation (broker/sellers; P3)
- Institutional centers of learning and innovation in fabrication and instrumentation, robotics (higher ed and privates)
- Incubators for start up and precommercialization programs (think tank groups)



# **Consider District Expansion**

Establish Port future Growth Areas based upon contiguous UGA to Port district.

- Remainder of Everett
- Remainder of Mukilteo
- Adding:
- Arlington
- Marysville
- Lake Stevens
- Mill Creek

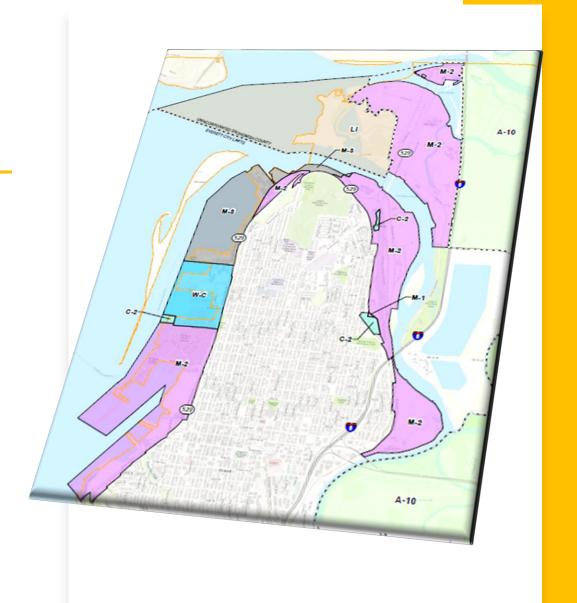


# Consider Industrial Development District Expansion

Expand IDD boundaries established in the 1960's

Chapter 53.25 RCW

Hearing and resolution to expand for preservation of Industrial uses



# **Consider Including Marginal Lands IDD**

• The legislative intent of the state statute is to place IDD benefits over marginal lands

 Improves port's ability to acquire foreclosed lands

• Improves investment options



### Consider IDD Alignment with SBA Hub Zone

- Qualified HUB Zones
- In Everett based on census tract
- Fuels SB growth in underutilized business zones; enhanced eligibility for federal contract awards.

Title 13 Part 125 Code Federal Regulations



# Consider Expanding Trade Free Zone #85

Designate magnet locations outside the District in the CIC. Magnet sites are intended to serve or attract multiple operators. Needs to be in place before development occurs

#### Provides manufacturing incentives:

- Eliminates customs duties entirely when goods are re-exported from the FTZ.
- Defer customs duties and federal excise taxes if merchandise is transferred
- Reduce processing/entry fees by as much as 85%
- Reduce some customs duties on goods processed or assembled in the FTZ
- Defers Harbor Maintenance Tax



## Where are we with CIC?



Conducted analysis and identified to find Existing Industry compentcies:

- Advanced manufacturing
- Instrumentation
- Fabrication

#### Desired industries:

- Environmental sustainability
- Robotics
- Advanced Wood products

### **Current CIC Activities**

- Facilitating joint marketing committee:
  - New logo
  - Brand story
  - Boiler plate
  - Key Broker list
  - Media lists
  - Media Plan
  - Design guidelines
  - Updated collaterals for all purposes
- BRE Program
- Broker Outreach
- Promoting the Blue Heron Mitigation Bank
- Legislative support for tax incentives and capital projects



# **Current Activities CIC ARLINGTON**

- Quarterly planning meetings with admin leadership; annual Council update
- Arlington Airport Master Planning Committee and ID Seattle's shed business ops\*
- Master plan/lease of available City land for targeted industry development and incubator for small industrial start ups in key industry\*
- Facilitate industry-based development code review\*
- 5G Web Series
- Center of Excellence Instrumentation and Fabrication



# **Current Activities CIC Marysville**

- Quarterly planning meetings with admin leadership; annual Council update
- Participation in downtown master plan\*
  - Key site acquisition
  - · Brownfields guidance
- Support CIC developer agreement process\*



## What is next?

Request policy direction from Board, which may include but is not limited to:

- Evaluate long-term strategies for all Port real estate
- Continue working with Cities to identify partnership opportunities
- Identify key sites for Foreign Trade Zone designation
- Explore and recommend growth area for Commission action
- Evaluate sites for acquisition in the CIC for long term growth
- Expand the Industrial Development District via hearing and resolution
- Explore partnerships to stand up two centers of excellence: Fabrication/Instrumentation and Maritime Innovation
- Continue Business Retention and Expansion (BRE) program
- Economic legislative agenda coordination and support
- Facilitate options for Port of Seattle-shed business
- Participation in Loop Rail Project



## **Thank You!**

