CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, TRADE, TRAVEL AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT, and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to amending the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) Tariff No. 4, to modify rates and regulations in Section 7, "Free Time, Wharf Demurrage, and Wharf Storage", Items 720 and 780, to modify free time allowed on inbound containerized merchandise and wharf demurrage charges effective October 1, 2023.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated December 15, 2023, relative to approving Order No. 23-7352 of the Board of Harbor Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles (Board), amending POLA Tariff No. 4.
- 2. ADOPT the determination by the Board that the action is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III Class 1(31) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.
- 3. APPROVE the POLA Resolution No. 23-10235 authorizing Permanent Order No. 23-7352 along with corresponding Ordinance, to amend Port of Los Angeles Tariff No. 4, Section Seven "Free Time, Wharf Demurrage, and Wharf Storage." Items 720 and 780; which was approved at the September 7, 2023 meeting of the Board of Harbor Commissioners.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: The City Administrative Officer reports that the approval of the proposed Permanent Order is expected to result in reduced dwell times and improved fluidity for the wide range of supply chain stakeholders that utilize the Port of Los Angeles. The Harbor Department expects only minimal increases to demurrage revenues as the proposed Order is operational in nature rather than financially driven. The estimated Fiscal Year 2023 demurrage revenues were \$100,319, of which \$100,000 were derived from one container terminal permit that would not be affected by the Order. The recommendations in the Board report and proposed actions comply with the Port's Financial Policies. There is no impact on the City's General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on March 19, 2024, the Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee considered a Board report relative to amending the Port of Los Angeles (POLA) Tariff No. 4, to modify rates and regulations in Section 7, "Free Time, Wharf Demurrage, and Wharf Storage", Items 720 and 780, to modify free time allowed on inbound containerized merchandise and wharf demurrage charges effective October 1, 2023.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the Board recommendations, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

TRADE, TRAVEL, AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

MEMBER YOTE
PARK YES
McOSKER YES
SOTO-MARTINEZ YES

-NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL COUNCIL ACTS-