

RESOLUTION NO. 24-68

A RESOLUTION OF KITSAP TRANSIT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZING STAFF TO AWARD A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT TO FOIL FERRY, LLC. FOR DESIGN OF THE SCALED PASSENGER PROTOTYPE VESSEL AND SHORESIDE INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, the Kitsap Transit Electric Fast Foil Ferry planning effort from concept to preliminary design, which began in 2021, was funded by the Federal Transit Administration's Accelerating Innovative Mobility (AIM) Challenge Grant and made possible by local matches from the Ports of Anacortes, Bellingham, and Skagit, and in-kind donations from the Joint Innovation Project (JIP) team; and

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2023, Kitsap Transit received notification from the Federal Transit Administration, the AIM Preliminary Design Report was published; and

WHEREAS, early coordination with the United States Coast Guard (USCG) was necessary to develop an acceptable framework of standards; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2024, the Kitsap Transit Electric Fast Foil Ferry Design Basis Agreement (DBA) with the United States Coast Guard (USCG) was considered an acceptable framework of standards and continued coordination with the USCG is required with the development of the Electric Fast Foil Ferry; and

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2024, Kitsap Transit received a General Clean Energy Grants Award from the Washington State Department of Commerce for the 15-20 passenger prototype "Demonstrator" vessel design; and

WHEREAS, this grant includes supporting electric vessel shoreside charging design plans, permitting, and construction cost estimates in the amount of one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000), with a local match in the amount of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000); and

WHEREAS, Kitsap Transit staff has submitted a Sole Source Justification for Foil Ferry, LLC., to proceed with engineering and design work required to complete design

plans for the scaled prototype "Demonstrator" vessel and supporting electrical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Foil Ferry, LLC. brings their experience, knowledge and proven success in our region's marine industry, an understanding of the Kitsap Transit Fast Ferry Program and requirements set by the United States Coast Guard; and

WHEREAS, construction and testing of the 15-20 passenger prototype vessel and construction and acquisition of shoreside infrastructure will require Board authorization at a future date; and

WHEREAS, Kitsap Transit staff has completed a cost analysis comparing Foil Ferry's cost proposal in the amount of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) and staff determined the cost proposal received from Foil Ferry, LLC. to be fair and reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the project and local match funding in the amount of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) are included in the 2024 Operating Budget-Ferry Fund approved by Resolution 23-68 on November 07, 2023.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes staff to award a sole source contract to Foil Ferry, LLC. for the Kitsap Transit Electric Fast Foil Ferry Demonstrator and Shoreside Project, for design of the scaled passenger prototype vessel and shoreside infrastructure, in the amount of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000).

ADOPTED by the Kitsap Transit Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on the 5th day of November 2024.

Signed by:
Greg Wheeler
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Greg Wheeler, Chairperson

ATTEST:
Signed by:
Jackie Bidon
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Jackie Bidon, Clerk of the Board