MEMORANDUM

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TO: Alicia Hughes-Skandijs, Chair of the Assembly LHED Committee

FROM: Dan Bleidorn, Lands and Resources Manager Daniel Bleidorn

SUBJECT: Goldbelt and CP Marine Application for a Land Trade

DATE: December 14, 2022

Goldbelt, Inc. and CP Marine Inc. completed an application proposing a land trade near the Seadrome Building to develop a new visitor oriented building in support of the Juneau tourism market. This property is managed by the Docks & Harbors Department. According to Port Director Uchytil, "the patchwork of CBJ owned versus Goldbelt owned property is readily apparent. The existing parcels are limiting to both CBJ and to Goldbelt for future development. The proposal to consolidate parcels in a coherent fashion will benefit both parties." On August 25th, 2022, the Docks & Harbors Board supported Goldbelt's request with the following motion: "Direct staff to initiate an appraisal and establish a process to coordinate Docks & Harbors interests with Goldbelt's efforts to develop the Seadrome property."

The Land Management Plan designates this property and all waterfront property and tidelands as properties to retain but the Plan also states, "Parcels under their jurisdiction will not be discussed in detail in this plan because money generated from those properties is directed back to the respective enterprise funds. Additionally, specific master plans for these departments will guide their disposal methods and timing." Even still, in order for this land trade to move forward the Assembly will be required to update the Land Management Plan to reflect this property as available for disposal.

If the Committee provides a positive motion this application will be reviewed by the Assembly as New Business. There will also be a Planning Commission review for both the land trade and the Plan amendment will be included. The intention is to move forward with investigating the land trade and for the remaining large parcel to continue to be designated as retain. If a land trade moves forward, terms and conditions would be approved by the Assembly by an ordinance.

Staff requests that the Lands, Housing, and Economic Development Committee provide a motion of support to negotiate with Goldbelt and CP Marine on a land trade.



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Port Director

To:

Docks & Harbors Board

Via:

Docks & Harbors Operations-Planning Committee

Date:

November 4th, 2022

Re:

ASSEMBLY AUTHORITY FOR NEGOTIATED LAND SALE

- 1. Docks & Harbors has been approached by two separate private entities requesting consideration to acquire CBJ owned land which is managed under Docks & Harbors. The next steps are to conduct appraisals and begin negotiations allowing the transitions to be considered and acted upon.
 - a. Goldbelt, Inc is proposing an exchange of parcels near the Seadrome Building to develop a new visitor oriented building in support of the Juneau tourism market. On August 25th, 2022 the Board approved Goldbelt's request with the following motion: "Direct staff to initiate an appraisal and establish a process to coordinate Docks & Harbors interests with Goldbelt's efforts to develop the Seadrome property."
 - b. Hansen-Gress has applied to the CBJ Lands & Resources Office to purchase CBJ owned tide lands which are managed by Docks & Harbors. On August 25th, 2022 the Board approved Hansen-Gress request with the following motion: "To advance the Hansen-Gress proposal that includes easements for future Docks & Harbors development as well as first right of refusal on the consolidated land and building sale as well as the evaluation of property by Docks & Harbors contracted appraiser that assumes the property as a single lot." At the September 26th Assembly LHED meeting, that Committee recommended the Assembly to "work with the original proposer in accordance with city Code 53.09.260."
- 2. The Hansen-Gress application has progressed through the Assembly and does not require action from the Board at this time. Goldbelt's request does require Board and Assembly authorization to move forward. Title 53 allow several options in disposing of CBJ lands: (1) auction sale, (2) over-the-counter sales, (3) sealed competitive bids or (4) by negotiated sale. 53.09.260 outlines the requirements for direct negotiated sale and specifies that the Assembly

approve that option by motion.

53.09.260 - Negotiated sales, leases, and exchanges.

(a) Application, initial review, assembly authority to negotiate. Upon application, approval by the manager, and payment of a \$500.00 fee, a person or business entity may submit a written proposal to lease, purchase, exchange, or otherwise acquire City and Borough land for a specified purpose. The proposal shall be reviewed by the assembly for a determination of whether the proposal should be further considered and, if so, whether by direct negotiation with the original proposer or by competition after an invitation for further proposals. Upon direction of the assembly by motion, the manager may commence negotiations for the lease, sale, exchange, or other disposal of City and Borough land.

- 3. Enclosure (1) was provided in the Goldbelt presentation on August 25th. The patchwork of CBJ owned versus Goldbelt owned property is readily apparent. The existing parcels are limiting to both CBJ and to Goldbelt for future development. The proposal to consolidate parcels in a coherent fashion will benefit both parties. It is appropriate that the land exchange discussions be continued with Goldbelt exclusively and that direct negotiations be authorized in accordance with 53.09.260.
- 4. I propose the Board make the following motion: To recommend the Assembly authorize direct negotiations with Goldbelt in accordance with 53.09.260 for a potential land exchange at the Seadrome property.

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Encl: (1) Seadrome Property Map

