**LWVSJ Observer Corps**

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**Friday Harbor Port Commission September 14, 2022**

A citizen raised concerns about **reduced parking spaces** caused by the trash compactor near the Yacht Ckub. Port said a recycling center will be built shortly and a few additional parking spaces will be released.

A citizen again urged the Commission to **end fees for EV charging at the airport.**

**Grant Requests:** Three community organizations presented grant requests for next years budget. The **Chamber of Commerce** requested **$6k for July 4th fireworks;** the **Economic Development Commission** requested $19k for local trades training programs; **Friday Harbor Labs** requested **$3.3k** for elementary school **water quality testing** of water in the port areas.

The Commission authorized the port director to **execute dock manufacturing interlocal agreements** with other jurisdictions.

Two **contracts were amended** to pay for costs additional costs that have been covered by surety.

The Commission agreed that the port staff could build the **draft budget with four additional positions** to cover manufacturing and construction activity.

The Commission discussed proposed adjustments to tariffs and lease rates of return. Decisions will be made at the next meeting on September 28 which will be at 2:00 pm.

A policy **planning workshop** was scheduled for **12: 00 October 11** to cover Lease and Greenhouse Gas policies.

Staff reports: The **Hangar A roof** work will be done **in-house by port staff** at a fraction of the cost of the lowest outside bid. Construction will begin shortly on the **Main Marina Recycling Center.** A plan to replace four vehicles with EV has been cancelled due to lack of available EVs which are in short supply. The Maintenance report was postponed. Leasee A1-Marine requested a chance to discuss ways to get more office space at the port property they occupy.