

DATE: MAY 7, 2026

FROM: PORT POLICE

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. _____ - AWARD OF CONTRACT TO SAFE BOATS INTERNATIONAL, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR MONOHULL FOAM COLLAR FULL-CABIN OUTBOARD MOTOR POWERBOAT VESSELS

SUMMARY:

Staff requests approval of a Contract with SAFE Boats International, LLC, of Bremerton, Washington for the purchase of four (4) Monohull Foam Collar Full-cabin Outboard Motor Powerboat Vessels to replace four vessels currently in use for patrol operations by the Port Police.

The contract with SAFE Boats International, LLC is outlined in Formal Bid Request Number F-1262. The total contract amount is \$3,643,122 inclusive of applicable taxes. The City of Los Angeles Harbor Department (Harbor Department) will be financially responsible for payment of expenses incurred under the proposed Contact.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Harbor Commissioners (Board):

1. Find that the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is administratively exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines;
2. Award and approve the Contract to SAFE Boats International, LLC for the purchase of four (4) Monohull Foam Collar Full-cabin Outboard Motor Powerboat Vessels in the amount of \$3,643,122 including applicable taxes;
3. Authorize the Executive Director to execute and the Board Secretary to attest to the Contract for and on behalf of the Board; and

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4. Adopt Resolution No. _____

DISCUSSION:

Background/Context – Port Police patrols the waters of the Port of Los Angeles, securing the Maritime Transportation System and providing for the safety and security of all Port users. This mission set includes around-the-clock patrol and response capabilities to marinas, critical infrastructure sites, cruise terminal passenger docks, escorts of cruise ships and other high interest vessels.

Port Police Maritime Patrol Operations deploys six (6) primary patrol boats of various sizes and capabilities, one (1) 42-foot multi-mission vessel, and personal watercraft.

The estimated replacement schedule for Port Police patrol vessels is as follows:

Quantity	Year	Size	Manufacturer	Estimated Replacement
2	2011	25'	SAFE Boats	FY 23/24
2	2014	29'	SAFE Boats	FY 25/26
2	2014	33'	SAFE Boats	FY 26/27
1	2019	42'	Metalcraft	FY 28/29

The four (4) Monohull Foam Collar Full-cabin Outboard Motor Powerboat Vessels will replace two (2) 25-foot SAFE Boat patrol vessels and (2) 29-foot SAFE Boat patrol vessels that have reached the end of service life. Replacement of patrol boats is at approximately 10 years of service depending on a variety of factors, including ongoing maintenance costs, hull and equipment condition, and continued mission suitability. Guidelines were established in consultation with the Construction & Maintenance Division, who provides all maintenance and repair of the vessels. These determinations are based on experience in maintaining a fleet that is used heavily in a harsh operating environment. Previously, a contract was awarded to a different boat manufacturer for the replacement of the two (2) 25-foot SAFE Boat patrol vessels, however, this contract was cancelled due to that manufacturer's failure to complete that contract within the allotted time period.

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Selection Process – On October 20, 2025, Port Police submitted requisition REQ17094 to the Contracts and Purchasing Division for the purchase of four (4) Monohull Foam Collar Full-cabin Outboard Motor Powerboat Vessels.

Formal Bid No. F-1262 was advertised to bidders with a due date of December 2, 2025.

Four bids were received. Three of the bidders did not meet the Bidder Qualification that all bidding companies must provide a current ISO 9001 Certification. ISO 9001 is an international standard that specifies requirements for a quality management system to help organizations consistently deliver products and services that meet customer and regulatory demands, while driving continuous improvement and efficiency. SAFE Boats International, LLC was the only bidder that provided this certification.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The proposed action is the approval of the Contract with SAFE Boats International, LLC to purchase 4 Monohull Foam Collar Full-cabin Outboard Motor Powerboat Vessels, which is an administrative activity. Therefore, the Director of Environmental Management has determined that the proposed action is administratively exempt from the requirements of CEQA in accordance with Article II Section 2(f) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Approval of the proposed Contract authorizes the amount of \$3,643,122 for the purchase of four (4) Monohull Foam Collar Full-cabin Outboard Motor Powerboat Vessels.

Fiscal Year 2025/26 funds in the amount of \$3,643,122 have been budgeted within Account 161210 (Capital Equipment Purchase), Division 52010 (Port Police).

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CITY ATTORNEY:

The Office of the City Attorney has reviewed and approved this Agreement as to Form and Legality.

TRANSMITTAL:

1. Bid No. F-1262

FIS Approval: JS
CA Approval: SO



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Deputy Chief of Police



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APPROVED:



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