

AGENDA

Port Freeport
Port Commission
Regular Meeting

Thursday, July 23, 2020, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Via Video/Teleconference - Administration Building - 1100 Cherry Street - Freeport



Notice is hereby given that in accordance with the order the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, and due to imminent threat to public health and safety and urgent public necessity the Port Freeport Port Commission will conduct a Regular Meeting on Thursday, July 23, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. at the Administration Building, 1100 Cherry Street, Freeport, Texas in part by video/teleconference in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called "social distancing") to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

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1. CONVENE OPEN SESSION in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001, et. seq., to review and consider the following:
2. Invocation.
3. Roll Call.
4. Public Comment. (Comments will be limited to 5 minutes per guest)
5. Approval of minutes from a meeting held June 25, 2020.
6. Receive reports from Executive Staff on activities and matters related to COVID-19 health safety matters, administrative affairs, financial results, facility engineering matters, operations and vessel activity, port safety matters, port security matters, Port tenant updates, USCOE, and other related port affairs.
 - A. Executive Director/CEO
 - B. Chief Financial Officer
 - C. Director of Engineering
 - D. Director of Operations
 - E. Director of Business & Economic Development
7. Receive report from Commissioners on matters related to:
 - A. July 20 Finance Advisory Committee
 - B. July 23 Strategic Planning Advisory Committee
 - C. Meetings and conferences attended, Port presentations, Rail District and other related Port Commission matters.

8. Approval of financial reports presented for the period ending June 30, 2020.
9. Public Hearing to discuss and consider adoption, amendment, repeal or reauthorization of the Port Freeport Tax Abatement Guidelines and Criteria pursuant to Section 312.002 of the Texas Property Tax Code.

Discuss and consider the adoption, amendment, repeal or reauthorization of the Port Freeport Tax Abatement Guidelines and Criteria.
10. Approval regarding the 2020 Port Freeport Golf Tournament budget and benefactor.
11. Discussion and possible approval of Resolution pursuant to Section 26.04(c-1) of the Texas Property Tax Code and related to manner of calculating tax rate in an area declared a disaster by the Governor.
12. Adoption of a Resolution approving the acceptance of the Port's portion of proceeds received from high bidders on delinquent tax property held in trust by Brazoria County, Texas and authorizing the Chairman to join in conveyance to high bidders.
13. Adoption of a Resolution approving amendments to the Port Freeport Investment Policy.
14. Approval of a Construction Contract with McCarthy Building Co., Inc. for the Freeport Harbor Levee Stabilization Wall project, for an amount not to exceed \$29,085,000.00.
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION in accordance with Subchapter D of the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001, et. seq., to review and consider the following:
 - A. Under authority of Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney):
 1. Consultation with attorney to discuss potential litigation.
 2. Consultation with attorney and discussion regarding the Port's creation under Section 59, Article 16 of the Texas Constitution.
 3. Consultation with attorney and discussion regarding Special District Local Laws Code Title 5 Transportation, Subtitle A Navigation District and Port Authorities, Chapter 5002 Subchapter A.
 - B. Under authority of Section 551.072 (Deliberation of Real Property Matters) for discussion regarding:
 1. Discussion regarding the potential exchange, lease, or value of real property located in Freeport, Texas, including but not limited to the area known as the East End of Freeport and bordered by or adjacent to the following streets: FM 1495; East 2nd Street; Terminal Street and East 8th Street in Freeport, Texas.
 2. The potential purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property located at Port Freeport, including but not limited to the real property located at and contiguous to Berths 1, 2, 5 and 7.
 3. The potential exchange, lease, or value of real property located at Port Freeport, including but not limited to Parcels 4, 5, 14, 30, and Surfside lots.
 - C. Under authority of Section 551.074 (Deliberation of Personnel Matters) for discussion regarding:
 1. Deliberation regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties of a public officer or employee, including but not limited to: Executive Director/CEO.
 - D. Under authority of Section 551.076 (Deliberation of Security Matters) for discussion regarding:
 1. Discussion regarding issues related to the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices or security audit and services.
16. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION to review and consider the following:
17. Discuss and consider approval of a First Amendment to Reservation Agreement between Port Freeport and Trammel Crow Company.
18. Adjourn.

The Port Commission does not anticipate going into a closed session under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code at this meeting for any other items on the agenda, however, if necessary, the Port Commission may go into a closed session as permitted by law regarding any item on the agenda.

With this posted notice, Port Commissioners have been provided certain background information on the above listed agenda items. Copies of this information can be obtained by the public at the Port Administrative offices at 1100 Cherry Street, Freeport, TX.



Phyllis Saathoff, Executive Director/CEO
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