

POHA May 15, 2025

The Commissioners of the Port of Harlingen Authority (POH) met in a regularly scheduled session on Thursday May 15, 2025, at 12:00 PM at the Port's Administration Office located at 24633 Port Road, Harlingen, Texas, 78550.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Rose Snell – Commissioner, Place 1
Neil Haman – Commissioner, Place 2
Alan Johnson – Chairman, Place 3
Chris Villarreal – Commissioner, Place 4
Ryan Newman – Commissioner, Place 5

PORT STAFF PRESENT: Walker Smith – Port Director
Robert McDonald – Chief Financial Officer (remote)
Amy Lynch – Director of Marketing & Public Relations
Anne Jimenez - Receptionist

OTHERS PRESENT: Chris Boswell – Port Attorney

A. Meeting called to order at 12:10 pm.

Declaration of conflicts of interest: None.

B. 1. **Item:** PUBLIC COMMENTS

2. **Issue:** To hear public comments, if any.

3. **Discussion:** There were no public comments.

4. **Action Taken:** None.

C. 1. **Item:** APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

2. **Issue:** To review the vouchers for approval.

3. **Discussion:** There was no discussion regarding the vouchers.

4. **Action Taken:** On a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Villarreal, the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the vouchers.

D. 1. **Item:** APPROVAL OF MINUTES & CERTIFIED AGENDA FOR THE MEETING ON MAY 7, 2025

2. **Issue:** To review the corresponding minutes.

3. **Discussion:** There was no discussion regarding the minutes.

4. **Action Taken:** On a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Villarreal, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes & certified agenda for the

meeting on May 7, 2025.

- E. 1. **Item:** CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE APRIL FINANCIAL, OPERATIONS AND CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORTS
2. **Issue:** To review and approve the reports.
3. **Discussion:** Regarding the A/R Aging Summary, Mr. McDonald noted the 5 outstanding Circle X rent invoices. Regarding the Profit and Loss Budget Performance, Mr. McDonald stated that the Port's total income was around \$80,000 over budget. And he also said that the Port is around \$500,000 over budget on net income. Regarding the Tonnage report, Mr. McDonald stated that the tonnage for April was lower than the previous month. However, Mr. McDonald believes the Port will finish the fiscal year over 2 million tons.
4. **Action Taken:** On a motion by Mr. Haman and seconded by Mr. Newman, the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the April reports: Tonnage, A/R Aging Summary, Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget Performance and the Capital Projects Report.
- F. 1. **Item:** PORT DIRECTOR REPORT AND DISCUSSION
2. **Issue:** To hear updates regarding various projects.
3. **Discussion:** Regarding a legislative affairs update, Rep. Lopez wants to add the Port's 13-mile overweight corridor addition language onto Chuy Hinojosa's bill regarding fuel distribution. Regarding the tenant status update, Mr. Smith said that Viterra wants to terminate their lease as they have sold all of their other properties. The grain elevator is currently in disrepair and not usable.
4. **Action Taken:** This was for discussion only.
- G. 1. **Item:** DIRECTOR OF PR AND MARKETING REPORT AND DISCUSSION
2. **Issue:** To hear updates regarding various projects.
3. **Discussion:** Mrs. Lynch reported on a joint trip with Harlingen EDC and Cameron County EDC for a trade mission trip to connect more with the Monterrey area.
4. **Action Taken:** This was for discussion only.
- H. 1. **Item:** CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE MID-YEAR REVIEW OF THE PORT'S OPERATIONAL BUDGET
2. **Issue:** To review the changes to the budget for approval.
3. **Discussion:** Mr. McDonald stated that the two biggest impacts to the Port's budget come from the closure of the RGV Sugar Growers lease and writing off the Circle X seawall

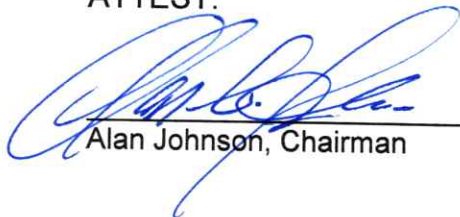
expenses. Mr. McDonald said there was a \$546,000 increase in revenue to the RGV Sugar Growers lease termination agreement. He also said that he increased the travel budget.

4. **Action Taken:** On a motion by Mr. Villarreal and seconded by Mrs. Snell, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the changes to the Port's operational budget.

The Commission entered the executive session authorized by Chapters 551.071 and 551.072 at 1:23 PM. They came out of the executive session at 1:30 PM. A Certified Agenda for the executive session is on file.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:31 PM.

ATTEST:



Alan Johnson, Chairman



Chris Villarreal, Secretary