

POHA July 3, 2025

The Commissioners of the Port of Harlingen Authority (POH) met in a regularly scheduled session on Thursday July 3, 2025, at 12:00 PM at the Port's Administration Office located at 24633 Port Road, Harlingen, Texas, 78550.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Neil Haman – Commissioner, Place 2
Alan Johnson - Commissioner, 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 12:11 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. Haman 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 JUNE 19, 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 June 19, 2025.

E. 1. **Item:** PORT DIRECTOR REPORT AND DISCUSSION

2. **Issue:** To hear updates regarding various projects.

3. **Discussion:** Mr. Smith said that he attended a meeting with Harlingen EDC at the airport yesterday. He spoke with the State of Texas' Economic Development representative for Mexico. Regarding construction projects, Mr. Smith stated that he sent a Notice to Proceed for the PIDP Dock Rehab project. He said that the cost estimate has increased for Dock 1 considering it will need a whole new seawall.

4. **Action Taken:** This was for discussion only.

F. 1. **Item:** CFO REPORT AND DISCUSSION

2. **Issue:** To hear updates regarding various projects.

3. **Discussion:** Mr. McDonald said that regarding the budget, the Port is in the process of renewing the medical insurance. It has not been finalized yet but when it is, he will amend the amount of insurance in the budget.

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 said that she is working on the first round of edits on the annual report. She said that it should be ready for print in the next 2 weeks. She is also working on the RFP for the PIDP Asset Management.

4. **Action Taken:** This was for discussion only.

I. 1. **Item:** CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING UPDATING THE SPONSOR EXEMPTION LETTER FOR THE PORT'S CAP 107 TURNING BASIN STUDY TO REFLECT THE NEW COST NUMBERS

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

3. **Discussion:** Mr. Smith said that the cost increased by \$5 million based on USACE needing to realign the channel. He said that this letter represents the Port agreeing to the cost changes in the CAP 107 project.

4. **Action Taken:** On a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Villarreal, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the Sponsor Exemption Letter for the Port's CAP 107 Turning Basin Study.

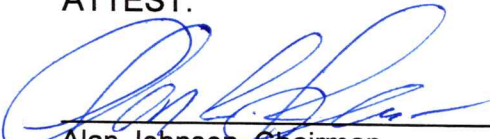
The Commission entered the executive session authorized by Chapters 551.071 and 551.072 at 12:35 PM. They came out of the executive session at 12:55 PM. A Certified Agenda for the executive session is on file. There was no action taken on any Executive Session Items.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 PM.

ATTEST:



Alan Johnson, Chairman

Chris Villarreal, Secretary