POHA October 2, 2025

The Commissioners of the Port of Harlingen Authority (POH) met in a regularly scheduled session on Thursday October 2, 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 - 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 12:16 pm.

Declaration of conflicts of interest: None.

B. 1. **Item**: <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u>
   2. **Issue**: To hear public comments, if any.
   3. **Discussion**: There were no public comments.
   4. **Action Taken**: None.

C. 1. **Item**: <u>APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS</u>
   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 Mrs. Snell, the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the vouchers.

D. 1. **Item**: <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 26, 2025</u>
   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 for the meeting on September 26, 2025.

E. 1. **Item**: PORT DIRECTOR REPORT AND DISCUSSION
   2. **Issue**: To hear updates regarding various projects.
   3. **Discussion**: Mr. Smith discussed the Commissioner of Agriculture's announcement to support the RGV Sugar Growers to keep them producing sugar. Mr. Smith reported that the status of the lighting and drainage project is on time, and the lights should be done by October 17. Mr. Smith also reported that the CAP 107 application has moved from the USACE Divisions office to headquarters.
   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 stated that the audit is still ongoing.
   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 stated that she has finished the final draft of the RFP for the PIDP 2024. She also said that she will be presenting at the AAPA Conference in Quebec City.
   4. **Action Taken**: This was for discussion only.

H. 1. **Item**: DISCUSSION REGARDING A POTENTIAL REQUEST FOR INTERIM CHARGE FOR THE PORT'S OVERWEIGHT CORRIDOR
   2. **Issue**: To discuss the Port's options.
   3. **Discussion**: Mr. Smith said that it was recommended by the Port's state consultant to introduce an interim charge for the Overweight Corridor. Mr. Smith stated a better solution would be to invite legislators to the Port to give them an opportunity to learn about the Port's operations and how it benefits commerce.
   4. **Action Taken**: This was for discussion only.

The Commission entered the executive session authorized by Chapters 551.071 and 551.072 at 12:50 PM. They came out of the executive session at 1:00 PM. A Certified Agenda for the executive session is on file.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

ATTEST:

Alan Johnson, Chairman

Chris Villarreal, Secretary