

****AMENDED MEETING NOTICE****

**NOTICE OF MEETING
THE PORT OF BEAUMONT NAVIGATION DISTRICT
OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS
TELEPHONIC MEETING**

August 23, 2021
10 a.m.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020. The Port of Beaumont Navigation District of Jefferson County, Texas, will conduct its Regular Meeting, scheduled for Monday, August 23, 2021 at 10 a.m., located at The Port District Building, 1225 Main Street, Beaumont, Texas, by telephonic meeting 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). **There will be no public access to the location above.**

The public toll-free dial-in-number to participate in the telephonic meeting is hosted through Microsoft Teams. The Toll-Free Dial-In Number is: 1-323-457-5466 and the Access Code Number is: 515 472 057#.

The public will be permitted to offer public comments telephonically as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting.

A recording of the telephonic meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, upon written request.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. General public comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter, whether that item is on the agenda or not. While your comments are appreciated, all speakers are limited to a maximum three minutes. As the Texas Open Meetings Act does not allow the Board to respond to items not listed on the agenda, your comments will be noted by the Board and forwarded to the Port Director.

CONSENT AGENDA

2.
 - a. Approval of minutes of the July 26, 2021 regular meeting.
 - b. Approval of minutes of the August 9, 2021 special meeting.
 - c. Approval of minutes of the August 9, 2021 work session.
 - d. Approval of accounts payable checks over \$25,000 for the month of July 2021.
 - e. Approval of commissioner expense report for the month of July 2021.

REGULAR AGENDA

3. Consideration and possible approval of Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Budget.
4. Consideration and possible approval of the preliminary 2021 tax rates:
 - a. Interest and Sinking (I&S) Rate

- b. Maintenance and Operation (M&O) Rate
5. Consideration and possible approval of setting a date for the adoption of 2021 tax rates.
 6. Consideration and possible approval of 2021/2022 Capital Improvement Program.
 7. Consideration and possible adoption of TCDRS plan and elected contribution rate for calendar year 2022.
 8. Consideration and possible approval of revisions to Employee Handbook Sick Leave, Vacation and Holiday policies.
 9. Consideration and possible award of contract to Ford Audio-Video.
 10. Consideration and possible approval of emergency repairs to Sabine-Neches Waterway Alpha Rear Range.
 11. Consideration and possible approval of Change Order No. 2 to the Carroll Street Bridge Project.
 12. Executive Session (Closed to the Public) – Board will convene in a closed session under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, 551.083, 551.084 and/or 551.087 to deliberate on the following:
 - a. Section 551.071 Government Code - To discuss pending and potential litigation:
 - i. *Continental Grain Company regarding Environmental Agreement, dated December 13, 1999, between Continental Grain Company, Louis Dreyfus Corporation, and the Port of Beaumont Navigation District of Jefferson County, Texas*
 - b. Section 551.072 Government Code – To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property:
 - i. *Charlton-Pollard Transitional Area*
 - ii. *Property located in Jefferson County*
 13. Consideration and possible ratification of property purchases in the Charlton-Pollard Transitional Area.
 14. Consideration and possible approval of purchase contract for property located in Jefferson County.
 15. Executive Director's report to the Commission, including port financial matters and reports, port administrative and policy issues, port marketing and promotion & development efforts, port cargo and operations activity and/or port facilities and capital programs.
 16. Board of Commissioners comments on matters of community interest.

This Notice of Meeting is given and posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, contained in Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Capitalized words and phrases have the meaning given to them in the Act. The Meeting will be held at the Date, Time and Place stated above. The Board of Directors of the Governmental Body will Deliberate upon the items listed in the Agenda above. Any Agenda item is subject to discussion only, action only, or both discussion and action. All portions of the Meeting shall be Open, unless a Closed Meeting is held when permitted, and in the manner specified, by the Act. If the Act permits all or any portion of the Deliberation of an Agenda item to be Closed, the Governing Body may enter into a Closed Meeting whether or not the Agenda item

below states that a Closed Meeting for such item is anticipated. Agenda items are not required to be considered in the same order as listed in the Agenda. Any Agenda item(s) may be tabled for Deliberation at a later Meeting, or removed from the Agenda. Any such tabled or removed Agenda item may be placed on an Agenda for a later Meeting for which Notice has been given and posted pursuant to the Act.

The Board of Commissioners of
the Port of Beaumont Navigation
District of Jefferson County, Texas

By: David C. Fisher
Port Director & CEO

Dated: August 20, 2021