

AGENDA

**Port Freeport
Port Commission
Regular Meeting
Thursday, August 25, 2016, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Administration Building - 1100 Cherry Street**



1. CONVENE OPEN SESSION in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001, et. seq., to review and consider the following:
2. Pledge of Allegiance: U.S. Flag & Texas Flag
3. Invocation.
4. Roll Call.
5. Approval of minutes from the Regular Meeting held August 11, 2016.
6. Upcoming Meetings:
 - September 22, 2016 - Board Meeting
 - October 6, 2016 - Port Freeport Open House
 - October 13, 2016 - Board Meeting & Commission Workshop
 - November 10, 2016 - Board Meeting
 - December 1, 2016 - Board Meeting
7. Reports from Executive Staff:
 - A. Receive report from Executive Director/CEO on activities and matters related to administrative affairs. Port tenant updates, USCOE, rail issues, AAPA Committees, leases, contracts, upcoming Port and civic events and other related administrative affairs.
 - B. Receive report from Director of External/Government Affairs on activities and matters related to federal, state and local governmental affairs. Port tenant updates, USCOE, rail issues, HGAC/TPC, Committees, upcoming Port and civic events and other related governmental affairs.
 - C. Receive report from Chief Financial Officer on monthly activity and matters related to financial results, investments, insurance, leases, real property matters and other related administrative affairs.
 - D. Receive report from Director of Engineering on activities and matters related to Freeport Harbor Federal Channel, capital projects and other projects, Hydrographic Report and other related facility engineering matters.
 - E. Receive report from Director of Operations on activities and matters related to operations, vessel activity, tonnage and other related port operation matters.
 - F. Receive report from Director of Protective Services on activities and matters related to safety meetings/injury report, security meetings, EMS update and other related safety, security and environmental matters.
 - G. Receive report from Director of Business & Economic Development on activities and matters related to industry meetings, sales reports, advertising, web activity, Foreign-Trade Zone and other ocean transportation related matters.
8. Receive report from Commissioners on matters related to meetings and conferences attended, Port presentations and other related Port Commission matters.
9. Public Comment
(Comments will be limited to 5 minutes per guest)

10. Recognition of the following companies for achieving one year safety performance of no injuries:
 1. Ports America
 2. ILA
 3. Port Freeport
11. Approval of financial report presented for the periods ending June 30, 2016 and July 31, 2016.
12. Adoption of a Resolution approving the application for tax abatement for Praxair, Inc. for property located in the Praxair, Inc. Reinvestment Zone No. 1, approving Tax Abatement Agreement on the same terms and conditions as granted to Praxair, Inc. by Brazoria County and authorizing Chairman and Secretary to execute said agreement.
13. Approval to purchase additional storage sheds for the New Housing Project.
14. Approval of an Award of Contract for the East End Properties 2016 project.
15. Approval of a Spur Track Crossing Permit Agreement between Port Freeport and the Texas Department of Transportation.
16. Discussion regarding designation of recipient for the 2016 Port Freeport Golf Tournament.
17. Approval of Executive Director/CEO and Commissioner travel for the months of August, September and October, 2016.
18. Update from staff regarding the Brazoria-Fort Bend Rail District.
19. Workshop regarding FY 2016/2017 Budget for Port Freeport.
20. Adoption of a resolution setting the 2016 Tax Rate for Port Freeport.
21. Adoption of the FY 2015/16 Budget for Port Freeport.
22. 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 for discussion regarding:
 1. Consultation with attorney regarding a Release Agreement between Port Freeport and Western Seafood, Inc.
 - B. Under authority of Section 551.072 for discussion regarding:
 1. The potential exchange, lease, or value of real property located at Parcels 4, 5, 6, 19, 27, 34, and 38, Port Freeport.
 2. The potential exchange, lease, or value of real property located at Parcels 7, 8, 10, 26 and 37, Port Freeport.
 3. The potential exchange, lease, or value of real property located at Parcel 14, Port Freeport.
 4. The potential purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property located at Port Freeport, including but not limited the real property located at and contiguous to Berth 7.
23. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION to review and consider the following:
24. Approval of a Release Agreement between Port Freeport and Western Seafood, Inc.
25. Approve Executive Director/CEO to seek inclusion of language in the 2016 Water Resources Development Act legislation to further the Freeport Harbor Channel Improvement Project.
26. 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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