

Finance Committee Meeting

Thursday, August 21, 2025 at 1:30 PM

In Person & Videoconference - Administration Building - 1100 Cherry Street - Freeport

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The meeting will be conducted pursuant to Section 551.127 of the Texas Government Code titled "Videoconference Call." A quorum of the Finance Committee, including the presiding officer, will be present at the Commissioner Meeting Room located at 1100 Cherry Street, Freeport, Texas. The public will be permitted to attend the meeting in person or by videoconference.

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- 1. Committee Members: Croft (Chairman), Giesecke, Fratila
- 2. CONVENE OPEN SESSION in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001, et. seq., to review and consider the following:
- 3. Roll Call.
- 4. Public Comment.

Public comment on any matter not on this Agenda will be limited to 5 minutes per participant and can be completed in person or by video conference.

5. Public Testimony.

Public testimony on any item on this Agenda will be limited to 5 minutes per agenda item to be addressed per participant and can be completed in person or by videoconference. The participant shall identify in advance the specific agenda item or items to be addressed.

- 6. Discussion regarding FY2025/2026 Budget for Port Freeport.
- 7. Adjourn.

The Committee 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 Committee 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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MEMORANDUM

TO: Finance Committee

Executive Director/CEO

FROM: Rob Lowe

DATE: August 7, 2025

SUBJECT: Preliminary Expense Budget Review

Staff has assembled a preliminary Fiscal Year 2026 operating expense budget that produces Operating Expense of \$33,216,528. General Operating expenses are currently projected to be up approximately 6% vs prior year budget and up 10% vs 2025 full year forecast. Total Operating Expenses are currently projected to be up approximately 12% vs prior year budget and up 15% vs 2025 full year forecast. Total Operating Expenses include the non cash category of depreciation increased from completion of previously approved capital projects. More detailed information for each line item in the revenue budget will be discussed in the Finance Advisory Committee meeting.