Port Isabel-San Benito Navigation District 250 Industrial Drive Port Isabel, Texas

Pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meeting Act, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a regular meeting of the Navigation and Canal Commission of the Port Isabel-San Benito Navigation District (PISBND), established in accordance with (the predecessors to) Chapter 60 & 63 of the Texas Water Code, will be in the Board Room at the PISBND administrative office, located at 250 Industrial Drive, Port Isabel, Texas on **Monday November 25, 2024, at 1:00 P.M.** and at the said meeting, the following will be considered:

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Public Comments, Non-Action Item.
- 4. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting and Certified Agenda held on October 16, 2024, Special Meeting held on October 24, 2024, and Special Meeting held on October 28, 2024.
- 5. Discussion and (possible) Action on Tx Department of Public Safety Proposed Building Project Presented by Salomon Torres.
- 6. Discussion and (possible) Action on Bank Signatory Requirements for Check Signing "Removal of Steven B Bearden as of December 31, 2024".
- 7. Discussion and (possible) Action on Bank Signatory Requirements for Check Signing "Adding of Joe Martinez as of January 1, 2025, and Requiring Two Signature on all Checks Beginning January 1, 2025".
- 8. Discussion and (possible) Action on Tex Pool "Resolution Removing Steven Bearden as Primary Signatory as of December 31, 2024, and Adding Chairman Victor Barrera as New Primary Signatory as of January 1, 2025".
- 9. Discussion and (possible) Action on Nationwide Retirement Plan "Resolution Removing Steven Bearden as Primary Signatory as of December 31, 2024, and Adding Chairman Victor Barrera as New Primary Signatory as of January 1, 2025".
- 10. Discussion and (possible) Action on Resolution to Authorize Victor Barrera, Chairman, and Remove Steven B Bearden, Port Director/General Manager as Authorized Representative for Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance Group of PISBND.
- 11. Discussion and (possible) Action on Request for Proposals (RFP) for Bank Depository.
- 12. Discussion and (possible) Action on Applying for New IBC Credit Card for Administrative Assistant, Julia Barrera.
- 13. Discussion and (possible) Action on the 2024 Draft Budget Amendment(s).
- 14. Discussion and (possible) Action on the 2025 Draft Budget.
- 15. Discussion and (possible) Action on the Review, Modification, and/or Adoption of the 2025 PISBND Investment Policy and Removing Steven B Bearden and Ana V Lopez from the Investment Policy and Adding Julia Barrera (Certified as Investment Officer on November 8, 2024), Administrative Assistant Effective December 31, 2024.
- 16. Discussion and (possible) Action to Engage CPA Firm, to perform the 2024 Annual Audit.
- 17. Discussion and (possible) Action on the Renewal of the Shrimp Dock Lease Agreement(s) for 2025, Delgado, Martinez, Ochoa, Ramirez, and Barrera and Bryant Industry Proposal to lease 200 Feet of Shrimp Dock Space.
- 18. MerLion has exercised its 3rd option of five (5) options to renew for one (1) year in accordance with the Lease Agreement.
- 19. Adrian Ramos has exercised his final option of two (2) options to renew for one (1) year in accordance with the Lease Agreement ending January 31, 2026.

- 20. Discussion and (possible) Action on Considering the Tabled September 18, 2024, Agneda Item "Discussion and (possible) Action on Old Forklift Rental to Tenants and Use Agreement".
- 21. Discussion and (possible) Action on Considering Purchase of Maintenance Agreement for New Case 580 Backhoe.
- 22. Discussion and (possible) Action on Purchase of New Woods Shredder (72 inch).
- 23. Discussion and (possible) Action on Selection of Engineer Firm for "Request for Qualifications for 2024 EDA Grant Project Engineer".
- 24. Discussion and (possible) Action on Tabled Item of June 20, 2024, Meeting "Laguna Madre Water District Potential Lease of Property in North Turning Basin for Desalinization Plant Water Access".
- 25. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** in regard to Possible Lease Agreement between PISBND and Laguna Madre Water District, which is a matter in which the duty to PISBND's Navigation and Canal Commission, under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act, pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Ann. § 551.072 (Vernon 2012) (deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person; Closed Meeting).
- 26. Discussion and (possible) Action on matters arising from or related to the said **EXECUTIVE SESSION**.
- 27. Discussion and (possible) Action on the Present Port Employee(s) Compensation.
- 28. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** (in regard to compensation), pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Ann. § 551.074 (Vernon 2004) (Personnel Matters; Closed Meeting) Port Employee(s) Compensation.
- 29. Discussion and (possible) Action on matters arising from or related to the said **EXECUTIVE SESSION**.
- 30. Discussion and (possible) Action on Giving Back to those in Need of the Local Communities During the Holiday Season, Commissioner Morales.
- 31. Discussion and (possible) Action on Commissioners' Request for Additional Agenda Item for next Meeting, Commissioner Morales.
- 32. Discussion and (possible) Action on the Port Director/General Manager Applicants and RFQ Port Attorney Applicants Review Meeting Date and Time.
- 33. Director's Monthly Report.
- 34. Approve Payment of Bills.
- 35. Adjournment.

Signed (and subsequently posted) on this 21st day of November 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at Port Isabel, Texas.

Steven B Bearden, Port Director/General

Manager