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VICTORIA COUNTY, TEXAS

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 551.041 of the Texas Government Code, that the Navigation and Canal Commissioners of the VICTORIA COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT (the "District") will meet on August 15, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the District's administrative office, located at 1934 FM 1432, Victoria, Texas.

The subjects of such meeting shall be:\*

- 1. Approval of minutes of the meeting held July 18, 2023.
- 2. To receive public comment (limited to three minutes per person).
- 3. To receive the following Staff and Committee reports:
- A. <u>Executive Director/Executive Committee</u> Business recruitment; development of the Port of Victoria North and South Industrial Sites; leases and contracts; real estate matters; federal, state, and local governmental affairs; rail issues; USACE matters and updates; upcoming Port and industry events; Port tenant/customer updates; and other related operational, administrative, and governmental matters.
  - i) To ratify the appointment of Ashley Hernandez, Victoria County Tax Assessor-Collector, to perform the District's appropriate 2023 tax rate calculations, and take appropriate action.
  - ii) To consider authorizing the exercise of the District's right to secure a Railroad and Right-of-Way Easement from David & Cheryl Rubac pursuant to that certain Option Agreement for Purchase of Easement dated August 25, 2022 between Mr. & Mrs. Rubac and the District, authorizing the purchase of the subject Railroad and Right-of-Way Easement pursuant to said Option Agreement for the amount of \$13,725.00, and authorizing the Executive Director to take appropriate action and execute any document(s) and instrument(s) necessary to secure said Railroad and Right-of-Way Easement pursuant to said Option Agreement, and take appropriate action.
- B. <u>Operations Manager</u> Activities and matters related to waterborne traffic activity; security matters; and operations at the Port of Victoria.
- C. <u>Finance Committee</u> Activities and matters related to financial status and results; investments; insurance; financial management issues; project financing; budgeting and tax rate analysis; and financial audit process.

Robby Burdge Chairman

Byron Burris, II Vice-Chairman

Donald Pozzi Secretary

Annie L. Cullen Commissioner

John H. Gilley, IV Commissioner

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- i) To review the anticipated revenues and expenditures of the District and adopt a budget for the District's operating accounts and funds for FY 2024.
- ii) To review tax calculations provided by Victoria County Tax Assessor-Collector Ashley Hernandez and consider adoption of a proposed maintenance and operations tax rate for 2023.
- iii) To set a date(s) for any required hearings related to the proposed maintenance and operations tax rate.
- iv) Receipt of monthly financial reports and approve payment of accounts payable.
- D. <u>Facilities Committee</u> Activities and matters related to the Channel to Victoria: capital and other projects; infrastructure, maintenance issues, infrastructure planning and development; transportation issues; safety and security measures; and other related engineering or environmental matters.
- E. <u>Advancement & Development Committee</u> Activities and matters related to public affairs; industry meetings; Port presentations; Port events; trade and new customer development activities; advertising and web activity; Foreign-Trade Zone; and other related trade development or community relations matters.
  - i) To receive a report from The Emmett Company regarding potential development of the Port of Victoria's facilities and properties, and strategic planning matters relating to the District.
  - To receive an economic development report from representative(s) of the Victoria Economic Development Corporation (VEDC) and consider further action with respect to pending VEDC projects involving the Port of Victoria.
- 4. To receive the report of the District's Legal Counsel.
- 5. To discuss the status of negotiations with potential customers of the Port of Victoria and consider approval of agreements relating to same.
- 6. To discuss and deliberate the purchase, sale, exchange or lease of property and other real estate matters, including requests for easements and/or permits.



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WHEREFORE, this Notice is executed this 10th day of August, 2023 by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

## VICTORIA COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT

By: /s/ Duane G. Crocker Duane G. Crocker, Legal Counsel

\*Any item on this agenda may be discussed in executive session as authorized by Texas law.

