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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND TAX RATE HEARING

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 September 7, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at the Victoria College Emerging Technology Center, 7403 Lone Tree Road, Victoria, Texas.

The subjects of such meeting shall be:\*

1. To conduct a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment on the Victoria County Navigation District's proposed tax rate of \$0.0267 per \$100 of taxable value as voted on by the Navigation and Canal Commissioners at the District's August 15, 2023, Commission meeting.
2. To consider approval and entry of an Order adopting a proposed 2023 tax rate of \$0.0267 per \$100 valuation, approving the levy of same, and providing for the assessment and collection of same; and take appropriate action.
3. Approval of minutes of the meeting held August 15, 2023.
4. To receive public comment (limited to three minutes per person).
5. To receive the following Staff and Committee reports:
  - A. Executive Director/Executive Committee - 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 receive, review, and consider approval of a proposed Reimbursement Agreement for Preliminary Engineering Services, with a cost estimate of \$50,000, between the District and the Union Pacific Railroad, for design work related to the expanded scope of the McCoy Road Rider 45 Improvement Project, and take appropriate action.
    - ii) To receive, review, and consider a written request from Zinc Resources, LLC, dated August 30, 2023, for reimbursement of identified site-related expenses incurred in the construction of its facility on leased property located in the Port of Victoria North Industrial Site, and take appropriate action.
  - B. Operations Manager - Activities and matters related to waterborne traffic activity; security matters; and operations at the Port of Victoria.

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- C. Finance Committee - 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.
- i) Receipt of monthly financial reports and approve payment of accounts payable.
- D. Facilities Committee - 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. Advancement & Development Committee - 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.
- ii) 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.
6. To receive the report of the District's Legal Counsel.
7. To discuss the status of negotiations with potential customers of the Port of Victoria and consider approval of agreements relating to same.
8. To discuss and deliberate the purchase, sale, exchange or lease of property and other real estate matters, including requests for easements and/or permits.

WHEREFORE, this Notice is executed this the 30th 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.

