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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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Byron Burris,II Chairman

Annie L. Cullen Vice-Chair

John H. Gilley, IV Secretary

David Murphy Commissioner

Sherry McShaffry Commissioner

Sean Stibich Executive Director

Duane G. Crocker Legal Counsel 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 19, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. at the District's administrative office, located at 1934 FM 1432, Victoria, Texas.

The subjects of such meeting shall be:*

- 1. To receive public comment (limited to three minutes per person).
- 2. To receive information, evaluate, and discuss the following workshop agenda items and topics:
 - Discussions with available representatives and receipt of a governmental affairs update to include matters pertaining to federal legislation, federal funding opportunities, regulatory matters, priorities, infrastructure, and other development related matters.
 - ii) Long range planning related to the District's Rail Lift Bridge, to include topics related to ownership, maintenance, operation, funding, coordination and communications with TXDOT and railroads, and potential replacement strategies.
 - iii) Texas governmental affairs strategies and activities of the District, to include consideration of retention of a state level governmental affairs representative.
 - iv) Potential infrastructure development and improvements at the Port of Victoria South Industrial Site, including a rail connector track, other rail infrastructure, additional docks, enhancements to existing road infrastructure, and the addition of additional roads.
 - Status of the Texas Logistics Center, including potential intermodal operations and marketing plans and strategies.
 - vi) Status of Commissioner appointments & terms.
 - vii) Planning matters related to the District's 2026 Strategic Planning Conference.
 - viii) Proposed FY 2026 budgets for the District's various operating accounts and funds.

- 3. Approval of minutes of the meetings held July 15, July 22, and August 6, 2025.
- 4. 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 a proposed temporary access agreement with Aeropres Corporation, 1324 North Hearne Ave., #200, Shreveport, LA 71107, for short-term vehicular access across specified District property within the Port of Victoria North Industrial Site, and take appropriate action.
 - ii) To receive, review, and consider renewal of a Stevedore & Freight Handling License for Diamond Painting & Sandblasting, LLC, 38142 Hwy. Dept. Rd., Pearl River, LA 70452, and take appropriate action.
 - iii) To receive, review, and consider a proposed Second Amendment to Option Agreement requested by Birch Creek Development, LLC successor-in-interest to Navitas Energy, LLC and Weaver BESS, LLC, providing for a one (1) year extension of the Option Term provided for in the Option Agreement granted to Navitas Energy, LLC on November 16, 2022, and take appropriate action.
 - iv) To receive, review, and consider approval of Task Order No. 18 to the Master Agreement between the District and CSRS, LLC, in the amount \$28,625.00, for preparation of a 2025 MARAD Port Infrastructure Development Program grant application seeking funding for the Texas Logistics Center Rail Project Phase II – Connector and Storage Tracks Project, and take appropriate action.
 - v) To receive, review, and consider approval of a Resolution committing matching funds in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 in support of a MARAD Port Infrastructure Development Program grant application seeking funding for the Texas Logistics Center Rail Project Phase II Connector and Storage Tracks Project, and take appropriate action.
- B. Operations Manager 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.
 - To review the anticipated revenues and expenditures of the District and adopt a budget for the District's operating accounts and funds for FY 2026.
 - 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 2025.
 - To set a date(s) for any required public hearing(s) related to the proposed maintenance and operations tax rate for 2025.
 - iv) To receive the monthly financial reports of the District and approve 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.
 - i) To receive and review bid tabulations and related information pertaining to bids received for construction work for the VCND - North Access Road and Transloading Road Projects (SCP-88), consider recommendations from Staff and the District Engineer related to same, and take further action as necessary, including authorizing the negotiation and/or award of a contract for the proposed work.
- 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.
 - 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.
- 5. To receive the report of the District's Legal Counsel.
 - To receive an update and consult with the District's Legal Counsel on pending litigation matters related to the District's South Industrial Site Rail Build-Out Project.



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WHEREFORE, this Notice is executed this 14th day of August, 2025, 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.