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PORT HOUSTON NEARS A STRONG FINISH TO 2022

HOUSTON – The Port Commission of the Port of Houston Authority met on Tuesday, December 6, for its last regular meeting of the year. Chairman Ric Campo opened the meeting by expressing his appreciation to all involved for Port Houston’s “amazing year.”



Trucks loading at the Bayport Container Terminal

Chairman Campo stressed the imperativeness of “getting the message out to the community” about the importance of Port Houston as an essential economic engine to the region, state, and nation, providing the capacity to deliver more cargo, “which means more jobs and a more robust economy.”

Chairman Campo also expressed his appreciation to community advocates for their continued interest in Port Houston. He assured them that the Port Commission and staff “listens intently” to their interests and concerns, including close consideration in Port Houston’s Sustainability Action Plans.

In support of Port Houston’s corporate goals as envisioned by the Port Commission, the Chairman proudly announced publication of the 2022 updates to its Environmental, Social,

Safety, and Governance (ES2G) Report. The ES²G Report outlines Port Houston’s initiatives, action plans, and goals in all four areas.

“It’s a journey, not a destination,” Campo said regarding the report, underscoring Port Houston’s commitment to lead, partner, or support sustainability efforts. In line with that commitment, he also announced its forthcoming participation, along with other agencies and organizations, in a Small, Minority, and Woman-owned Business Enterprise Summit, to be held in January of 2023.

Executive Director Roger Guenther opened his remarks by leading an ovation with staff for the Port Commission’s “leadership and guidance” of another successful year at Port Houston. While it was a bit too early for a cargo volume report for the full year of 2022, he could emphasize that Port Houston is “doing the right thing for its continued investments, to be prepared for continued growth.”

Among other actions, in line with its commitment to sustainability, the Port Commission awarded a contract to the Houston Audubon Society for the monitoring and management of waterfowl on two islands near Port Houston’s container terminals.

The Port Commission will next meet on January 26, 2023 for its first regular monthly meeting.

About Port Houston

For more than 100 years, Port Houston has owned and operated the public wharves and terminals along the Houston Ship Channel, including the area’s largest breakbulk facility and two of the most efficient container terminals in the country. Port Houston is the advocate and a strategic leader for the Channel. The Houston Ship Channel complex and its more than 200 public and private terminals, collectively known as the Port of Houston, is the nation’s largest port for waterborne tonnage and an essential economic engine for the Houston region, the state of Texas and the U.S. The Port of Houston supports the creation of nearly 1.35 million jobs in Texas and 3.2 million jobs nationwide, and economic activity totaling \$339 billion in Texas – 20.6 percent of Texas’ total gross domestic product (GDP) – and \$801.9 billion in economic impact across the nation. For more information, visit the website at PortHouston.com.

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