

March 17, 2026

NOTICE OF MEETING
OF THE
PORT COMMISSION
OF THE
PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY

In accordance with the official practice of the Port Commission of the Port of Houston Authority, attached is a copy of the agenda of the regular meeting to be held on Monday, March 23, 2026. A quorum of the Port Commission is intended to meet at 9:15 a.m., or thereafter, immediately following the adjournment of the Governance Committee meeting, at the Port of Houston Authority Administration Building, First Floor Boardroom, 2960 Riverby Road, Houston, Texas 77020. The member of the Port Commission presiding over the meeting is intended to be present at that location, which shall be open to the public during the open portions of the meeting.

In addition, in accordance with Government Code Sec. 551.127 permitting a governmental body to hold a public meeting by videoconference call, the meeting may also be accessed via Microsoft Teams, as provided on the following page.

PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY
of
HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

Parker Harrison
Secretary



Additional Public Meeting Notifications.

1. In accordance with the Port Commission's usual practice:
 - a. Members of the public may speak during the public comment section on the agenda.
 - Advance registration is required.
 - When: No later than an hour before the start of the meeting.
 - How: Please contact us by email, telephone, or regular mail using the contact information below:
 - Parker Harrison: pharrison@porthouston.com, or (713) 670-2625.
 - Erica Godfrey, egodfrey@porthouston.com or (713) 670-2456.
 - 2960 Riverby Road, Houston, Texas 77020.
 - What: Please provide the speaker's name and the organization he or she represents, if applicable, and the subject matter of the speaker's comments.
 - Permitted speaking time, in accordance with our [Public Comment Policy](#):
 - General rule: Speakers are generally limited to **three (3) minutes**, whether or not their subject matter relates to an item of business on the agenda.
 - Exception for repeat speakers/groups: a speaker or group addressing a subject matter that does not relate to an item of business on the agenda, and that has spoken at any of the four (4) previous Port Commission meetings, shall be limited to **one (1) minute**.
 - Group speakers: If more than one member of a group has requested to speak, the group must select one representative to present its comments. The group's representative is limited to **three (3) minutes** of speaking time, whether or not the comments relate to business on the agenda.
 - b. Both an audio recording and written minutes of the meeting will be made available on the Port Authority's website following approval by the Port Commission.
2. To request accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or language access services, please contact Parker Harrison or Erica Godfrey at least **three (3) days** prior to the meeting.
3. Interested parties may participate in this meeting either in person or virtually; instructions for virtual participation appear on the next page. Restrictions regarding allowable room capacity and seating arrangements may be in place at the meeting.

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Monday, March 23, 2026
PORT COMMISSION OF THE PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY

9:15 a.m.
2960 Riverby Road
Houston, TX 77020
First Floor Boardroom
And Via Microsoft Teams

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. OPENING REMARKS BY CHAIRMAN AND COMMISSIONERS

1. Governance, legislative, policy, operational, and community matters

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Port Commission Public Meeting - February 19, 2026

D. STAFF REPORTS

1. Summary of selected financial and operational matters

E. APPEARANCES

1. The American Society of Civil Engineers' 2025 Texas Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement plaque, presented by Carol Haddock PE, ASCE Global President Elect
2. Employers in Support of the Guard and Reserves (ESGR) Statement of Support (SOS) award presented by Rick Noriega, ESGR State Chairman, and Cecil Macklin, Texas ESGR Eastern Region
3. Public Comment

F. EXECUTIVE

Staff Report – Selected agenda items – Tim Finley, Chief Financial Officer

General

1. Acknowledgment of a gift to the Port Authority under Section 5007.228 of the Special District Local Laws Code: 2025 Texas Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement plaque.
2. Approve the Amended Public Comment Policy of the Port Authority.

G. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Staff Report – Selected agenda items – Kerrick Henny, Chief External Affairs Officer

Awards, Amendments & Change Orders

1. Professional services contract with The Browns Consulting for state governmental policy consulting and support in an amount not to exceed \$66,000.
2. Professional services contract with Michael Toomey and Associates for state governmental policy consulting and support in an amount not to exceed \$66,000.

H. CHANNEL INFRASTRUCTURE

Staff Report – Selected agenda items – Lori Brownell, Chief Channel Infrastructure Officer

Permits/Licenses/Pipeline Easements

1. New private road-rail grade crossing license to Watco Dock & Rail, LLC over the Industrial Lead Track near Industrial Road.
2. Renewal of expiring Port Authority pipeline licenses for thirty-year terms for the following entities: Explorer Pipeline Company, Kinder Morgan Texas Pipeline LLC, and KM Liquids Terminals LLC; renewal of two expiring Port Authority pipeline licenses for ten-year terms for the following entity: Targa Downstream LLC.
3. Marine construction permit to Exxon Mobil Corporation for the construction of a ship dock adjacent to the Houston Ship Channel and William Scott Survey, A-66.
4. Marine construction permit to the City of Baytown for improvements to an existing stormwater outfall structure adjacent to the William Scott Survey, A-66.

I. COMMERCIAL

Staff Report – Selected agenda items – John Moseley, Chief Commercial Officer

Leases

1. Amendment to the lease with Cooper/Ports America, LLC for approximately 1.72 acres out of Block 12 at Barbours Cut Terminal to extend the term for five years, effective no earlier than May 1, 2026, at an annual base rent of \$96,503.79, subject to a 3% annual base rent escalation.
2. Extended term of a month-to-month lease with TPC Group LLC, commencing April 1, 2026, for approximately 6 acres out of Block 3 at the Sims Bayou, at an annual base rent of \$298,701.65.

J. FINANCE

Staff Report – Selected agenda items – Tim Finley, Chief Financial Officer

General

1. Amended investment policy for the Port of Houston Authority Restated Retirement Plan.
2. Amended investment policy for the Port of Houston Authority Other Post-Employment Benefit Plan, an irrevocable trust established for other post-employment benefits.

3. Authorization of JP Morgan Short Term Duration Bond R6 fund as a new investment manager for the Port of Houston Authority Restated Retirement Plan.
4. Authorization of JP Morgan Short Term Duration Bond R6 fund as a new investment manager for the Port of Houston Authority Other Post-Employment Benefit Plan, an irrevocable trust established for other post-employment benefits.
5. Termination of the investment management agreements with Fiduciary Management, Inc. for the Port of Houston Authority Restated Retirement Plan (Pension Plan) and Other Post Employment Benefit Plan (OPEB Plan).
6. Authorization of Newton Investment Management North America, LLC as a new large-cap value investment manager for the Port of Houston Authority Restated Retirement Plan.
7. Authorization of Newton Investment Management North America, LLC as a new large-cap value investment manager for the Port of Houston Authority Other Post-Employment Benefit Plan, an irrevocable trust established for other post-employment benefits.

K. INFRASTRUCTURE

Staff Report – Selected agenda items – Rich Byrnes, Chief Port Infrastructure Officer

Awards, Amendments & Change Orders

1. Professional services contract in an amount not to exceed \$167,558, for the splash zone engineering at Turning Basin Terminal to the top-ranked proposer Collins Engineers, Inc.
2. Amendment of professional services contract with Hatch Associates Consultants, Inc. to perform additional services associated with the design for the rehabilitation of Wharves 5 and 6 at Barbours Cut Terminal, in an amount not to exceed \$104,043.
3. Amendment of professional services contract with English + Associates Architects, Inc. to perform additional services associated with the design of telecommunication connectivity for the new Port Coordination Center building at Turning Basin Terminal, in an amount not to exceed \$259,992.
4. Change order with Orion Construction, LLC to perform additional work associated with the bulkhead and fender repairs at Wharves 20 and 21 at Turning Basin Terminal, in an amount not to exceed \$937,208.

L. MAINTENANCE

Staff Report – Selected agenda items – Paulo Soares, Chief Port Maintenance Officer

Awards, Amendments & Change Orders

1. Contract with Ambassador Services, LLC for the purchase of janitorial services at Barbours Cut Terminal and Bayport Container Terminal, using Harris County Department of Education's Choice Partners, a cooperative purchase program contract, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.

2. Two-year contract to EVCO Partners, LP dba Burgoon Company for the purchase of miscellaneous shop supplies for Barbours Cut Terminal, Bayport Container Terminal, and Turning Basin Terminal, using the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Texas Multiple Award Schedule, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.

3. Contract with Doggett Heavy Machinery Services, the sole source provider, for the purchase of John Deere replacement parts for seventeen hybrid rubber-tired gantry cranes at Barbours Cut Terminal and Bayport Container Terminal, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.

4. Two-year contract to Kalmar USA, Inc., Bromma Americas, the sole source provider, for the purchase of quarterly inspections and troubleshooting of Bromma spreaders and over-height frames at Barbours Cut Terminal and Bayport Container Terminal, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.

M. OPERATIONS

Staff Report – Selected agenda item – Ryan Mariacher, Chief Port Operations Officer

General

1. Amendment of Tariff Nos. 14 and 15 governing Barbours Cut Terminal and Bayport Container Terminal, effective May 1, 2026, to (i) clarify the Port Authority’s requirement of placards identifying certain battery-powered vehicles transported at the Port Authority’s container terminals, and (ii) reduce the free time allotted to loaded import refrigerated containers requiring power.

N. PEOPLE

Staff Report – Selected agenda item – Carlecia Wright, Chief People Officer

Awards, Amendments & Change Orders

1. Amendment of professional services contract with Unicare Building Maintenance, Inc. to perform cleaning services within the Executive Office Building, Port Coordination Center, Central Maintenance buildings, Sam Houston Pavilion, and ten gatehouses at the Turning Basin Terminal, in an amount to not exceed \$70,764.30 for an additional three months.

O. SECURITY AND EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

Staff Report – Selected agenda items – Amy Seymour, Chief Port Security and Emergency Operations Officer

Awards, Amendments & Change Orders

1. Purchase order to Motorola Solutions, Inc. for the purchase of land mobile radio equipment including radios, batteries, chargers, related hardware, and accessories for the Port Authority Operations, Maintenance, Port Security and Emergency Operations divisions, and International Longshoremen’s Association personnel, using the Houston-Galveston Area Council cooperative purchase program, in an amount not to exceed \$800,000.

P. STRATEGY

Staff Report – Selected agenda item – Candice Armenoff, Chief Strategy Officer

Awards, Amendments & Change Orders

1. Professional services contract with HNTB Corporation for a freight mobility impact analysis, in an amount to not exceed \$300,000.

Q. TECHNOLOGY

Staff Report – Selected agenda items – Charles Thompson, Chief Information Officer

Awards, Amendments & Change Orders

1. Two-year purchase order to Trace3, LLC for purchase of Next Generation (NXGEN) INFOSEC network segmentation hardware, software subscriptions, and maintenance, using Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative purchase program, in an amount not to exceed \$525,000, utilizing 2024 Port Security Grant Funding.
2. Purchase order to ePlus Technology, inc., for purchase of networking equipment to support Barbours Cut Terminal West End, using Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative purchase program, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.
3. Change order with ePlus Technology, inc., for the purchase of networking equipment needed to support ship-to-shore cranes at Bayport Container Terminal, using Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative purchase program, in an amount not to exceed \$82,363.
4. Purchase order to Tanches Global Management, Inc., for purchase of networking equipment to support the Port Coordination Center, using Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative purchase program, in an amount not to exceed \$180,000.

R. RECESS OPEN MEETING AND CONVENE EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Consultation with Attorneys (Section 551.071, Texas Open Meetings Act), including consultation regarding (1) proposed amendments to the agreements for legal services with (a) Best Best & Krieger LLP, and (b) BoyarMiller, (2) the proposed agreement for legal support services with Skyrock, (3) Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 and 50 U.S.C.A. § 1701 et seq., and (4) certain Port Commission Governance items.
2. Real Estate (Section 551.072, Texas Open Meeting Act)
3. Economic Development Negotiations or Incentives (Section 551.087, Texas Open Meetings Act)
4. Employment and Evaluation of Public Officers and Employees (Section 551.074, Texas Open Meetings Act), including discussions regarding the engagement of the former Executive Director of Port Houston.
5. Security-Related Matters (Sections 418.175-418.183 of the Texas Government Code, and Section 551.076, Texas Open Meetings Act)
6. Adjourn Executive Session

S. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

1. Announce any items from Executive Session requiring Port Commission action

T. CLOSING REMARKS BY CHAIRMAN AND COMMISSIONERS

1. Governance, legislative, policy, operational, and community matters

U. ADJOURN MEETING

1. Next Meeting Requested - April 28, 2026
2. Adjourn Port Commission Meeting