

Minutes of a meeting of the Plaquemines Parish Council, as the Sole Governing Authority of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District, held in the Pointe-a-la-Hache Council Chambers, 18055 Hwy. 15, Pointe-a-la-Hache, Louisiana on Thursday, January 22, 2026, at p.m., pursuant to notice to all members with a quorum present as follows:

PRESENT: Commissioner Ronnie Newsom, Chairman
Commissioner Tyronne Edwards
Commissioner Brian Champagne
Commissioner Chris Schulz
Commissioner Patricia McCarty
Commissioner Carlton M. LaFrance, Sr.
Commissioner Mitch Jurisich
Commissioner Mark Cognevich

Kim M. Toups, Council Secretary

ABSENT: Commissioner Stuart J. Guey

Charles Tillotson and the Port Executive team were present representing the Port.

The following items were deferred:

- 6b, “A Resolution authorizing and directing Charles D. Tillotson, Executive Director of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District (“the Port”) to enter into lease negotiations with a confidential customer for a project known as “LA Haven” and will be Confidential until further notice; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto”;
- 6d, “An Ordinance authorizing Charles D. Tillotson, Executive Director of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District (“the Port”), to issue Task Order #_____ to Lanier & Associates Consulting Engineers, Inc. for engineering and design services in regards to developing a repair package of the Westbank Belle Chasse Ferry Landing and the Eastbank Scarsdale Ferry Landing; and otherwise, to provide with respect thereto;
- 6e, “An Ordinance authorizing Charles D. Tillotson, Executive Director, to continue a Navy Business Case Analysis and amend the 2025 Five-Year Capital Improvements Budget, to appropriate funding for the integrated Phase II and III of the Project; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto”;
- 6f, “A Resolution authorizing the Executive Director of the Port, Charles D. Tillotson to enter into and execute a Memorandum of Understanding between APMT, and Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District d/b/a Louisiana Gateway Port (“the Port”); and
- 6g, An Ordinance authorizing Executive Director, Charles D. Tillotson, of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District to execute a one-year extension for professional services with EVALV IT to secure Information Technology (IT) services for the Port; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

MOTION NO. 1-TO MOVE AGENDA ITEM J TO THE BEGINNING OF THE PORT
AGENDA

On Motion of Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner McCarty, a Motion to Move Item 6j to the beginning of the agenda was offered. The Machine was open for voting and the measured FAILED 4-4 with Commissioners Champagne, Newsom, LaFrance and Cognevich voting “NO”.

Commissioner Newsom moved to Agenda Item 3, “Status Report by the Executive Port Director. Without objection, so ordered

Today's Highlights and Introductions



Highlights

- Awaiting ruling from Louisiana Supreme Court Expropriation, could take up to 3 months
- In-House Counsel Bar application approved by LA Supreme Court Committee on Bar Admission- 12/23/25, and the swearing-in date is set for 1/26/26
- Navy Business Case Analysis scheduled 2/3/26 on the Base with GNO INC, Veterans Affairs, Louisiana Board of Industry Council, and Legislators
- Container Terminal Memorandum of Understanding
- Letter sent through Grant Administrator on FEMA questioned cost from the Audit
- Venture Global Request Servitude for Entergy Sub-Station in discussions

Port Marine Operations Update



Port Ferries

- In service (Belle Chasse & Pointe a la Hache)

MV Belle Chasse II

- Vessel dry docking is on schedule progressing well

MV Port Authority I

- Vessel at Aluma Marine & Fabrication LLC
- Vessel is fully completed, and is now waiting on word from the locks to approve vessel to enter the river

M/V West Port

- Waiting on fire pump to be replaced, as the old pump has stopped working

M/V East Port

- Bitts on vessel have broken again due to waves from passing vessels, proper actions are being taken to mitigate this problem from continuing

New Build Ferry (Diesel Electric) \$26.5 M

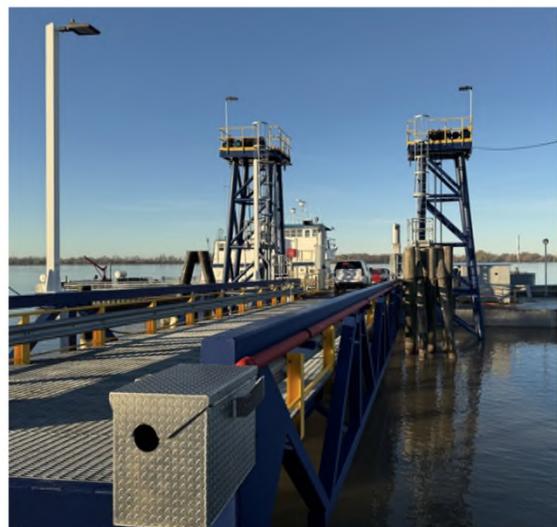
- 90% final design
- Working with LADOTD



Port Marine Ferry Landing Projects



- **PALH Landing Replacement \$18.6 M Grant**
 - Survey data collected and being processed
 - Preliminary engineering will follow
 - Estimated Construction 12/2028
 - The Port's local match is \$393,660
- **Belle Chasse/Scarsdale and PALH Landings**
 - Mino Load Test Analysis discussion with DOTD
 - Lanier prepared quote for landing dolphins and moorings; a USAEC permit is required, and the process may take up to 8 months
 - Ferry Locations: Awaiting quotes for re-stripping the lines and updating wording
 - Gate has been repaired and replaced
- **Belle Chasse Security Vessel Landing**
 - Project is on hold pending grant funding verification



Critical Infrastructure Update



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11 Mile Rail Extension – Engineers: Infinity Engineering LLC, 360 Rail, Freese & Nicols
 Surface Transportation Board NEPA Review Underway – sent 50% rail drawings. FNI will conduct a site visit 1/26-29 on behalf of the Surface Transportation Board. Petition for exemption Resolution being introduced for Executive Director approval.
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Peters Road Rail Bypass (City of Gretna, JP, UP, Plaquemines) - Engineers: CSRS, HDR
 West Bank Realignment meeting held in Jefferson Parish on 1/21/26
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Peters Road Bridge (LGP’s RAISE Grant) Engineers: BKI, LADOTD
 Design making progress with Prelim Design taking 12 Months
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Water Booster Station (DOTD Port Pri Grant) Engineers: Kyle & Associates
 Alliance Water Booster Station - Complete
 Phase I (Alliance – Deer Range) - Complete
 Phase II Status (Deer Range – Port Sulphur) - Estimated Completion Q1 2026
 Phase II Reimbursement Approvals being introduced today

Administration Update



Organizational Updates

- COO position approved: Civil Service (12/09/2025) and LGP Commission (12/11/2025)
- Position advertised: Week of 12/15/2025
- Archer studies initiated: Director of IT and Chief Port Engineer

Quality & Compliance

- ISO 9001:2015 internal audits: Begin January 2026 following commission approval of policy
- Audit focus: Prioritized areas based on findings
- Corrective actions: Immediate and comprehensive measures planned

Communications

- Launch of new project page with federally compliant public comment form to support grant and environmental review requirements.

Financial Update – January 22, 2026



Port Meeting Summary 01/22/2026 Port Meeting

Description	1/8/2025 Board Meeting	1/22/2025 Board Meeting	Difference
Net Position	\$114,811,248	\$116,413,816	\$1,602,568
Unrestricted Fund Balance	\$8,354,216	\$9,956,784	\$1,602,568
Land Fund Restricted Fund Balance	\$5,572	\$5,572	\$0
Budget Revenue	\$76,411,882	\$29,946,701	(\$46,465,181)
Actual Revenue		\$614,675	\$614,675
Budget Expenses	\$76,362,118	\$28,294,369	(\$48,067,749)
Actual Expenses		\$26,263	\$26,263

Budgeted Expense Differences:

ORD 26-9 PALH Electrical Upgrades	\$154,000
Total	<u>\$154,000</u>

Net Position and unrestricted fund balance - \$ 244,265 change - relates to ORD 25-221 approved at the last meeting to add Chief Operating Officer position to the Manpower table, ORD 25-2020 to purchase Lot 37 Dehnpostel was previously added with 25M revenue Bond.

Budgeted Revenue & Expenditures - 2025 vs 2026

Actual Revenues - Lease Revenues for Jan 2026

Actual Expenses - Payments on Jan invoices

Executive Port Director Tillotson notified the Commissioners of his intent to resign and leaving the effective date up to the Commissioners. The Commissioners added consideration of that issue to its agenda and voted to make the resignation effective January 24, 2026.

A taken at recess was at 3:47 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 3:56 p.m.

MOTION NO. 2- ADD AN ITEM TO TODAY'S AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION

On Motion of Commissioner Schulz, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, a Motion to Add an item to today's agenda to establish the date of resignation of the Executive Port Director was offered for a vote. On roll call, all members present and voting "YES", except Commissioner Cognevich who voted "NO" and Commissioner Guey who was "ABSENT". The Motion FAILED by a vote of 6-1.

MOTION NO. 3 -RECONSIDER DATE FOR THE EXECUTIVE PORT DIRECTOR'S RESIGNATION

On Motion of Commissioner Cognevich, seconded by Commissioner LaFrance, A Motion to Reconsider the vote which previously failed was offered for a vote. On roll call, all members present voting "YES", except Commissioner Guey who was "ABSENT", the Motion to Reconsider the Executive Port Director's date of resignation. The Motion passed by 8-0.

MOTION NO. 4- ADD A DISCUSSION TO SET THE DATE OF THE EXECUTIVE PORT DIRECTOR'S RESIGNATION

On Motion of Commissioner Schulz, seconded by Commissioner Champagne and on roll call, all members present voting "YES", except Commissioners LaFrance and Cognevich who voted "NO", and Commissioner Guey who was "ABSENT", the discussion to select a date for the Executive Port Director's resignation on Saturday, January 24, 2026, at close of business. The Motion passed by a vote of 6-2.

Commissioner Newsome moved back to Agenda Item 3, "Executive Session". Without objection, so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-39

On motion of Commissioner Newsom, seconded by Commissioner Schulz, and on roll call, all members present and voting "YES", except Commissioner Guey who was "ABSENT" the following Resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT it hereby resolves itself into Executive Session at 4:24 p.m. on the following matters:

- 1) Executive Session pursuant to LA R.S. 42:17(A)(10) and in accordance with Louisiana Attorney General Opinion No. 18-0144, the Commission shall receive attorney-client privileged communications from its legal counsel as provided for by Louisiana Code of Evidence Article 506(B) and pursuant to LA R.S. 42:17(A)(1) to discuss personnel matters. COMMISSIONER LAFRANCE
- 2) Executive Session pursuant to LA R.S. 42:17(A)(10) Investigation of allegation of misconduct. COMMISSIONER NEWSOM
- 3) Executive session pursuant to LRS 42:17(A)(2) for the discussion of litigation, Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District v. Tuan Nguyen, Case No. 68-734, 25th JDC, Parish of Plaquemines, Louisiana, Docket No. 2024- 0614. COUNCIL MEMBER JURISICH

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL THAT it hereby came out of Executive Session at 4:55 p.m. with no final or binding action taken.

Commissioner Newsom moved to Agenda Item 6, "Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions". Without objection, so ordered. The following legislation was introduced:

1. A Resolution authorizing the Executive Director of the Port, Charles D. Tillotson, and Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District d/b/a Louisiana Gateway Port (“the Port”) to file a Petition for Exemption before the Surface Transportation Board; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto. COMMISSIONER NEWSOM

DIGEST: The Port is seeking authorization to petition the Surface Transportation Board for an exemption from prior approval requirements regarding the NOGC Mainline Extension Project. *The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual Resolution.*

2. A Resolution authorizing the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District to enter into an replacement agreement with the State of Louisiana, Department of Transportation and Development under the Louisiana Port Construction and Development Priority Program for assistance in the implementation of a port improvement project; providing for the necessary documentation of the need for the port improvement; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. COMMISSIONER NEWSOM

3. A Resolution authorizing the Plaquemines Port Harbor & Terminal District to enter into a replacement agreement with the State of Louisiana, Department of Transportation and Development under the Louisiana Port Construction and Development Priority Program for assistance in the implementation of a port improvement project; providing for the necessary documentation of the need for the port improvement; and otherwise provide with respect thereto. COMMISSIONER NEWSOM

DIGEST: The Port is seeking approval to enter into a replacement agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development through the Port Priority Program. This agreement would allow the Port to receive funding to complete the remainder of the Alliance Water Booster Station project. The resolution authorizes the submission of required documentation and supports efforts to advance the Port’s infrastructure. The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.

4. An Ordinance to amend the Plaquemines Port, Harbor, and Terminal District Five-Year Capital Improvements Plan, Pointe-ala-Hache Ferry Ramp Replacement Project; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto. COMMISSIONER NEWSOM

DIGEST: An ordinance to amend the 2026 Five-Year Capital Improvements Plan to fund and pay the Local Match portion of State Project No. H.006226 Pointe-a-la-Hache Ferry Landing Replacement project from the Federal Transit Authority Emergency Relief Program. The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.

5. A Resolution adopting amendments to the Administration Policies and Procedures for Plaquemines Port Harbor & Terminal District (the Port); and otherwise, to provide with respect thereto. COMMISSIONER NEWSOM

Digest: The Port seeks to adopt amendments and changes to the Port approved policies guiding Drug and Alcohol Use. The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.

6. An Ordinance adopting updates and amendments to Port Tariff and Security fee rates for Plaquemines Port Harbor & Terminal District (the Port) to be added to the Port’s approved Financial Policies and Procedures; and otherwise, to provide with respect thereto. COMMISSIONER NEWSOM

Digest: At the Gulf SeaPorts Marine Terminal Conference convened on November 6, 2025, a proposal for 2025-2026 security fees was presented. The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.

7. An Ordinance to amend the 2026 Manpower Structure and Operating Expenditure budget for the salary increases for classified and unclassified employees of the Port and otherwise to provide with respect thereto. COMMISSIONER NEWSOM

DIGEST: The Port has worked with Civil Service to reallocate all licensed vessel employees to attract and retain talent. The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.

Commissioner Newsom moved to Agenda Item 7a(1), “Resolutions Wherein Suspension is being sought”. Without objection, so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-40

On Motion of Commissioner Newsom, seconded by Commissioner LaFrance and on roll call, all members present and voting “YES”, except Commissioner Guey who was “ABSENT”, the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution authorizing Lloyd Newsom, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners for the Plaquemines Port Harbor & Terminal District (“the Port”) to enter into a contract with Breazeale, Sachse, and Wilson, L.L.P. to investigate employee complaints and provide legal services; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

DIGEST: Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District seeks enter a contract with Breazeale, Sachse, and Wilson, L.L.P for legal services. *The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.*

WHEREAS, The Port is in need of outside counsel to investigate employee complaints and provide legal services; and

WHEREAS, Breazeale, Sachse, and Wilson, L.L.P. has agreed to provide such services upon authorization by the governing board of the Port; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District that the Port is granted permission to enter into the aforementioned contract with Breazeale, Sachse, and Wilson, L.L.P.;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT it hereby authorizes the acceptance and recommendation of Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District to enter into a contract Breazeale, Sachse, and Wilson, L.L.P. to investigate employee complaints and provide legal services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Port employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

There being no matters to address under Agenda Item 4, “Bids and Advertisements”; Commissioner Newsom moved to Agenda Item 6, “Ordinances and Resolutions on Second Reading and Final Passage. Without objection, so ordered.

ORDINANCE NO. 26-15

The following Ordinance was offered by Commissioner Newsom who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance authorizing Lloyd Newsom, Chairman of Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District to purchase land and property, more fully described in Exhibit A, owned by BOLSU PCF, LLC; to enter into an Act of Predial Servitude with BOLSU PCF, LLC simultaneously with the closing; and otherwise, to provide with respect thereto.

DIGEST: The Port is working to finish the acquisition of the “Piano Keys II” properties for Port development. The Port is seeking approval to move forward with the purchase of Lot 30 currently owned by BOLSU PCF, LLC, and to enter into an Act of Predial Servitude with BOLSU PCF, LLC simultaneously with the acquisition of Lot 30. *The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.*

WHEREAS, through negotiations with BOLSU PCF, LLC, a recommendation is being made to approve the acquisition of Lot 30, which is owned by BOLSU PCF, LLC, known as one of the “Piano Keys II”; and

WHEREAS, the negotiations between BOLSU PCF, LLC recognize a total recommended purchase price of \$738,000.00 for Lot 30, Point Celeste Farms S/D currently owned by BOLSU PCF, LLC; and

WHEREAS, through negotiations with BOLSU PCF, LLC, a recommendation is being made to approve the Port entering into an Act of Predial Servitude with BOLSU PCF, LLC simultaneously with the acquisition of Lot 30; and

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1

It hereby authorizes and directs Lloyd Newsom, Chairman of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District, to acquire the land, more fully described as Lot 30, Point Celeste Farms S/D owned by BOLSU PCF, LLC.

SECTION 2

The acquisition shall be a purchase price of \$738,000.00 plus the closing cost for the transfer of ownership of the land at Lot 30, Point Celeste Farms S/D currently owned by BOLSU PCF, LLC, to the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District.

SECTION 3

It hereby authorizes and directs Lloyd Newsom, Chairman of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District, to enter into an Act of Predial Servitude with BOLSU PCF, LLC simultaneously with the acquisition of Lot 30.

Commissioner Edwards seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Commissioners Tyronne Edwards, Brian Champagne, Chris Schulz, Patricia L. McCarty, Ronnie Newsom, Carlton M. LaFrance, Sr., Mitch Jurisich and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Stuart J. Guey

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 22nd day of January 2026.

ORDINANCE NO. 26-16

The following Ordinance was offered by Commissioner Newsom who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance authorizing Lloyd Newsom, Chairman of Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District (the “Port”) to purchase land and property, more fully described in Exhibit A owned by Brandon Headrick, subject to the approval of the Rezoning of the Property (as hereinafter defined) to Heavy Industrial (I-3) with respect to Lot 38; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

DIGEST: The Port is working to finish the acquisition of the “piano keys” properties for Port development. The Port is seeking approval to move forward with the purchase of immovable property described as Lot 38 located in Pointe Celeste Farms S/D, and the home and improvements located thereon (the “Property”), all as further described in Exhibit A which Property is currently owned by Brandon Headrick. *The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.*

WHEREAS, The Port has determined that acquisition of the Property is in the best interest of and integral to the Port’s plans for development, expansion and operation; and

WHEREAS, through negotiations with Brandon Headrick, a recommendation is being made to approve the acquisition of the Property owned by Brandon Headrick; and

WHEREAS, Brandon Headrick and the Port have negotiated in good faith the terms and conditions of a sale to the Port resulting on an agreed purchase price of \$617,000.00 subject to and confirmed by appraised market value for the Property more fully described on Exhibit A currently owned by Brandon Headrick; and

WHEREAS, Plaquemines Parish Council, as the sole governing authority of the Port, approved the Rezoning of the Property to Heavy Industrial (I-3). A resolution by Plaquemines Parish Council approving the Rezoning of the Property to Heavy Industrial (I-3) must be obtained by the date of the purchase of the Property;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1

It hereby authorizes and directs Lloyd Newsom, Chairman of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District, to acquire the Property, more fully described by Exhibit “A” owned by Brandon Headrick.

SECTION 2

It hereby authorizes and directs Lloyd Newsom, Chairman of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District, to execute any and all documents necessary to acquire the Property more fully described as Lot 38, Pointe Celeste Farms S/D owned by Brandon Headrick, including a purchase agreement, act of sale, affidavits, settlement statement and any other documents related to the transfer and acquisition of the Property on behalf of the Port.

SECTION 3

The acquisition shall be for a purchase price of \$617,000.00, subject to and confirmed by appraised market value, plus the closing costs and expenses associated with the transfer of ownership of the Property identified as Lot 38, Pointe Celeste Farms S/D, described in Exhibit A currently owned by Brandon Headrick, to the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District.

Commissioner Champagne seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Commissioners Tyronne Edwards, Brian Champagne, Chris Schulz, Patricia L. McCarty, Ronnie Newsom, Carlton M. LaFrance, Sr., Mitch Jurisich and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Stuart J. Guey

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 22nd day of January 2026.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-41

On Motion of Commissioner Newsom, seconded by Commissioner McCarty and on roll call, all members present and voting “YES”, except Commissioner Guey who was “ABSENT”, the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution to create a one-time holiday on February 16, 2026, as an approved Holiday (Presidents Day) for Plaquemines Parish Port, Harbor & Terminal District Employees; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, Presidents Day honors the leadership and legacy of U.S. Presidents; and

WHEREAS, this resolution will create a one-time holiday on February 16, 2026, in recognition of Presidents Day;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT there will be a one-time holiday on February 16, 2026, in recognition of Presidents Day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-42

On Motion of Commissioner Newsom, seconded by Commissioner Schulz and on roll call, all members present voting “YES”, except Commissioners Guey and LaFrance who were “ABSENT”, the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution adopting a Quality Management System and Quality Plan policies for Plaquemines Port Harbor & Terminal District (the Port) to be added to the Port’s approved Administrative Policies and Procedures; and otherwise, to provide with respect thereto.

Digest: The Port seeks to adopt a Quality Management System and Quality Plan policies to be added to the Port’s approved Policies and Procedures as required by ISO 9001:2015. *The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.*

WHEREAS, the Port recently completed ISO 9001:2015 Certification Training on December 11, 2025 during which time it received updates on required policies; and

WHEREAS, the Port would like to adopt a Quality Management Systems policy for communications and to add this policy to the Port’s approved Policies and Procedures;

NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT hereby adopts the Quality Management Systems Policy for the Port Harbor & Terminal District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT it does hereby authorize the Executive Director of the Plaquemines Port Harbor

& Terminal District to amend and update the Port's Policies and Procedures as may be needed within the laws of the State of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Port employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council

RESOLUTION NO. 26-43

On Motion of Commissioner Newsom, seconded by Commissioner Schulz and on roll call, all members present and voting "YES", except Commissioners Guey and LaFrance who were "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution adopting updates and amendments to the Communications Policy establishing a mandatory framework for all public-facing and stakeholder communication relating to Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects for Plaquemines Port Harbor & Terminal District (the Port) to be added to the Port's approved Administrative Policies and Procedures; and otherwise, to provide with respect thereto.

Digest: The Port seeks to adopt updates to the Communications Policy regarding Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects to be added to the Port's approved Policies and Procedures. *The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.*

WHEREAS, the Port's Administrative Policies were adopted by the Port Commission under Resolution 25-132 on May 8, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Port would like to adopt an updated policy for Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects and to add this policy to the Port's approved Policies and Procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT hereby adopts the updated Communications Policy regarding Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects for the Port Harbor & Terminal District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT it does hereby authorize the Executive Director of the Plaquemines Port Harbor & Terminal District to amend and update the Port's Policies and Procedures as may be needed within the laws of the State of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Port employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

ORDINANCE NO. 26-17

The following Ordinance was offered by Commissioner LaFrance who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance to provide for the sale, lease, mortgage, or other alienation or encumbrance of property of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

DIGEST: Require the approval of two-thirds of the Council, as the governing authority of the Port, to authorize the sale, lease, mortgage, or other alienation or encumbrance of Port property. The digest is for informational purposes only and is superseded by the language of the actual ordinance or resolution.

WHEREAS, the sale, lease, mortgage, alienation, or encumbrance of Port property is a serious matter and requires due consideration and authorization by the Plaquemines Parish Council, in its role as the sole governing authority of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District; and

WHEREAS, the Charter for Local Self Government of Plaquemines Parish contains a requirement for the super majority approval of the Plaquemines Parish Council, in its role as the governing authority of Plaquemines Parish; and

WHEREAS, a similar requirement as exists in the Charter should apply to the property of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1

The Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District may sell, lease, mortgage, or otherwise alienate or encumber, at public or private sale, of any real property, improvements, and facilities or any moveable property which, in the judgment of the Plaquemines Parish Council, as the sole governing authority of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District (Port), is not needed for public use, under such terms and conditions and for such consideration as, in its judgment, may be to the best interest of the Port, provided that the sale of any land owned by the Port shall reserve all mineral rights. The sale, lease, mortgage, or other form of alienation or encumbrance shall require the approval by a two-third's vote of the Plaquemines Parish Council, acting as the sole governing authority of the Port, in a regular or special meeting duly called, noticed, and conducted.

SECTION 2

This ordinance shall supersede any conflicting ordinance previously adopted, and shall apply to any sale, lease, mortgage, or other form of alienation or encumbrance approved after the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION 3

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Port employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council as the Sole Governing Authority of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District.

Commissioner Champagne seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Commissioners Tyrone Edwards, Brian Champagne, Chris Schulz, Patricia L. McCarty, Ronnie Newsom, Mitch Jurisich and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioners Stuart J. Guey and Carlton M. LaFrance, Sr.

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 22nd day of January 2026.

Commissioner Newsom moved to Agenda Item 8, "Approval of the Minutes". Without objection, so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-44

On motion of Commissioner Schulz, seconded by Commissioner Newsom and on roll call all members present and voting "YES", except Commissioner Edwards who voted "NO" and Commissioners Guey and LaFrance who were "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT it hereby approves the minutes from the January 8, 2026, regular meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution.

There being no further business to come before this Council, on motion Commissioner Schulz, seconded by Commissioner Newsom, and on roll call all members present voting "YES", Commissioner Edwards who voted "NO", and Commissioners Guey and LaFrance being "ABSENT", the meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

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