

February 19, 2026

Ms. Melissa Fularon
Director, Grant Program Administration
Virginia Port Authority (VPA)
600 World Trade Center
Norfolk, VA 23510

Subject: Aid to Local Ports (ALP) Grant Request

Dear Ms. Fularon,

We are requesting a new ALP grant in the amount of \$48,300 for Phase 3 of the reconstruction of our harbor boardwalk.

The Town contracted with Langley & McDonald to perform an evaluation of all Town Harbor capital assets. The wood boardwalk on the bulkhead adjacent to our floating docks was identified as an asset needing attention. After detailed inspection of several areas that required immediate repair, we concluded that the supporting structure had deteriorated to the point that the boardwalk needed to be rebuilt to ensure public safety.

We have completed the first two phases of reconstruction, totaling over 6,100 square feet at a cost of \$183,470. We plan to accomplish the final phase, totaling 1,830 square feet at an estimated cost of \$64,400, this coming fall. Details of our request are provided in the attachment.

The harbor boardwalk is critically important for our transient boaters and for non-boaters utilizing the harbor amenities. This contributes significantly to the economic vitality of the Town and Northampton County.

We appreciate the past financial support for harbor improvements provided by the Port Authority. Thank you for consideration of our FY 2027 request. If you require additional information, please contact Mr. Bob Panek, Project Manager, at 757-331-3259, X19 or bob.panek@capecharles.org.

Sincerely,

Adam Charney
Mayor

Attachment: New Grant Request

Cc: The Honorable Bill DeSteph
The Honorable Rob Bloxom
Chairman, Northampton County Board of Supervisors