

**CITY OF PORT LAVACA**

**MEETING:** FEBRUARY 20, 2024

**AGENDA ITEM # 8  
5a**

**DATE:** 2.17.2024

**TO:** PORT COMMISSION BOARD MEMBERS CC: JIM RUDELLAT, HARBOR MASTER

**FROM:** JODY WEAVER, INTERIM CITY MANAGER 

**SUBJECT:** TARIFF 1A

Below is a copy of the Tariff 1A as it is published on the City's Municode Code of Ordinances.

Section Number	Subject	Fee Amount
	<i>Tariffs:</i>	
	Oysters per sack	\$0.00
	Oysters per barrel	\$0.00
	Shrimp per ton	\$0.00
	Crude/condensate per barrel	\$0.125
	Bulk product liquid or dry per ton	\$0.79
	Public Dock Space	
	Per day per barge up to 200 LF	\$200.00
	Per day per barge greater than 200 LF	\$250.00
	Harbor of Refuge	
	Dockage Space - LF/month	\$4.00
	Use of Rail Spur - LS/month	\$1,000.00
	Marina Rates	
	Dockage Space - LF/month	\$6.30
	110 v. 30-amp Connection - per month	\$52.50
	220 v. 50-amp Connection - per month	\$105.00
	Water and Trash Included in all rentals	
	Transient rate < 35 ft.	\$15.75
	Transient rate > 35 ft.	\$21.00
	Commercial Fishing Vessel Dockage Rate: First 25 ft. in length per month	\$175.00
	For each additional foot of length > 25 ft. per month	\$5.00

**Items for discussion:**

- The current rate schedule provides for only a monthly rent for commercial Fishing Vessels. This is because normally we do not have any boat slips available for rent besides those 2 slips next to Big Bear, which are on a monthly rate, but because Tract 9 is not currently leased, recently we had many boats come and go along the dock of Tract 9 for periods of days or weeks. Let's discuss how we want to address this for any future similar occurrence.

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- The question was brought up about whether we should be collecting tariffs for materials brought in by truck at the Harbor of Refuge. Our current Standard Form Lease states:

**“ Section 5.02. Cargo Dockage Charges.** In addition to such Land Rent, Tenant shall pay all dockage charges for Tenant’s use applicable under City’s Tariffs as those charges accrue. Said charges are due on the first of each month and shall be assessed a late fee if paid after the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the month.”

A close look at the language of the older version of the lease entered into with Helena in 2018, clarifies that the per ton of BULK materials tariff is for “material that crosses the dock”.

I recommend we consider adding a specific fee for a “Bulk product liquid or dry per ton carried by rail” for clarification and to reflect what has historically been paid by Helena, being the same bulk rate whether it came by barge or rail.

Regarding materials brought by truck, we can discuss this during the meeting Tuesday. Note: Helena is still paying the \$1,000/month use of rail fee, which is intended to pay toward maintaining the rail.

- I did look at the amount of bulk that Helena has brought in the first 4 months of 2023-24 vs the first 4 months of 2022-23. Last fiscal year they had paid for 21,599.18 tons vs this fiscal year 29,211.8 tons for the first 4 months.