
CITY OF PORT LAVACA

MEETING: January 20, 2026 **AGENDA ITEM** ____

DATE: 1.13.2026

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

FROM: JODY WEAVER, INTERIM CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

1. **CDBG-MIT Coastal Resilience Living Shoreline Project** : There have been 5 Addendums for this Bid. The Bid opening was moved to Friday, January 16, to give bidders more time to get good bids from their subcontractors after the holidays. I will have the bid tabulation at the Port Commission meeting on Tuesday for the Port Commission's review and recommendation to Council for a contract award at the special meeting on January 26. The plans are available at www.civcastusa.com. The Scope is described as follows:

The Work to be performed under these Drawings and Specifications consists of furnishing all labor, materials, and equipment for performing all work required for conducting surveys; protection of the environment, excavation, construction of approximately 2,100 linear feet of rock breakwater and 920 linear feet of reef breakwater, mechanical excavation two upland borrow sources, installing approximately 9,810 cubic yards of fill material for marsh creation, and planting approximately 2.0 acres of low marsh species. The anticipated substantial completion deadline for all work is 230 days from Notice to Proceed.

2. **ReStore (cleanup of old barge(s) in Smith Harbor):**
We issued one addendum for this bid to answer questions from the Pre-Bid conference and moved the bid date to Thursday, January 15. I will have the bid tabulation for the Port Commission review and recommendation for award at the meeting on Tuesday. Council will consider an award at their Special Meeting on January 26.

3. **CDBG-MIT Round 2 Application for use of funds for Replacement of culverts under rail at Corporation Ditch and Voluntary Restoration of Refuge Shoreline.**
We are still waiting for the approval of the Authority to use Grant Funds (AUGF) document. We have been told to expect this sometime in February. Field Surveying has begun on the Corporation Ditch. They are beginning at the north end, so it will take some time before they make it down to the railroad crossing at the Harbor of Refuge.

4. **GLO CEPRA GRANT (Harbor of Refuge Shoreline Protection):** No update. Mott McDonald submitted the full USACE permit application on November 5. The file number is SWG-2025-00420 and the project manager assigned is Kory Barone, who was the manager on the Living Shoreline and the Smith Harbor projects.

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5. MBMT Grant Downtown Waterfront Public Access Improvement:

Matt has sent me the final plans for review, and I have attached those to this report. The tentative bid schedule is as follows:

Advertisement 1: Jan 21

Advertisement 2: Jan 28

Pre-Bid: Jan 29

Bid Date: either Feb 10 or 12

Port Commission Review/Recommendation: Feb 17

Council award: either Feb 23 or March 9

Estimated start of construction: April 2026

- 6. TxDOT Truck Route signs:** The posts for the large signs are in, and Wayne is working with Lester Contracting to get a price for them to install the posts and signs for us.
- 7. Parking area on SBA Steel property at the HOR Boat ramp:** No update: I still have not heard back from SBA legal team yet regarding a lease or purchase of the property in question at the HOR boat ramp.
- 8. TxDOT Maritime Division:** As you recall Jim, Oralia and I met with several members of the TxDOT Maritime Division team and their consultant Burns & McDonnell on November 21 to provide them a tour of our facilities and begin work on drafting a port profile for The City of Port Lavaca Ports & Harbors. They provided a list of documents/information that we need to gather and submit to them for the preparation of our Port Profile.
- Kmz file outlining port boundaries – WORKING ON THIS
 - High quality photos – WORKING ON THIS
 - City Comprehensive Plan and Downtown Waterfront Master Plan - DONE