
CITY OF PORT LAVACA

MEETING: September 15, 2026 **AGENDA ITEM** ____

DATE: 9.10.2026

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

FROM: JODY WEAVER, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

1. **CDBG-MIT Coastal Resilience Living Shoreline Project :**
See *attached* meeting notes from the September 8th weekly construction update meeting.
2. **CDBG-MIT Round 2 - Replacement of culverts under rail at Corporation Ditch and Voluntary Restoration of Harbor of Refuge Shoreline.**

On August 20th 3 bids were received for the Voluntary Restoration of the Harbor of Refuge Shoreline.

Bidder	Total Base Bid	Total Base Bid + Alt Bid No. 1	Calendar Days to Substantial Completion
Rexco, Inc.	\$139,871.00	\$145,241.00	30
Lester Contracting, Inc.	\$178,150.00	\$195,650.00	90
Spartan Divers, LLC	\$250,950.00	\$275,450.00	90

I have *attached* the bid tabulation. Because the low bidder was a local, well-known contractor with no issues with the bid process, and this involves 100% grant funds, and due to the timing of the Port Commission meeting and the Council meeting, I am taking the award of this contract to Council on September 14 (Monday night) with a recommendation from staff and Urban Engineering to award this to Rexco, Inc.

3. **MBMT Grant Downtown Waterfront Public Access Improvement:**
The construction passed ADA inspection on September 4. We have been holding Lester's retainage for some time, waiting first for Maverick to complete hauling of the spoils and then waiting on the ADA inspection when we decided to wait and pour the last section of Shared Use path with the next project, so with the Port Commission's approval Tuesday, I will put the release of retainage approval on the City Council's special meeting next Monday night, September 21.
4. **MBMT Grant Application: Improvements to Boat Ramp at Harbor of Refuge**
The Matagorda Bay Mitigation Trust has issued their 2026 Request for Proposals, which are due by 5 pm on October 14, 2026. I am working with Matt Glaze to submit an application to rebuild the Harbor of Refuge Boat Ramp. The anticipated individual project maximum award is \$750,000.
5. **MBMT Grant Application: Litter catchers at the Marina**
Our partners at GLO Clean Coast Texas have done some research for me on Litter catchers, specifically for the two storm drain pipes that drain into the Nautical Landings Marina. I am working with them to submit an application to the MBMT to provide litter catchers for these two outfalls, and possibly others.

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6. **TxDOT Truck Route signs:**

Public Works is working with Lester Contracting on a schedule when Lester can assemble a crew to do this work for us. Still on the critical path is TxDOT's contractor, as they are still not complete with the installation of the small signs.

7. **Texas Ports Association:**

I reached out last Thursday to the info email address for TPA and got in touch with someone that it supposed to be updating the website address on their site.

8. **TxDOT Maritime Division:**

TxDOT Maritime Division shared the following timeline with me regarding our application to fund improvements to the public dock at the Harbor of Refuge:

The Legislative Session should wrap up around June 2027, at which point TxDOT will understand what monies may be allocated to them for grants. They will then look to the Port Mission Plan for projects, the PAAC (along with a scoring committee) will review them and make recommendations for funding to the Texas Transportation Commission (again, dependent on whether funding was allocated) – this typically happens in late June. TxDOT will then take those recommendations before the Texas Transportation Commission in August (typically) for approval. If we are approved for the funding, we would anticipate having those funds available in early 2028.



Meeting Minutes

Project Title Port Lavaca Living Shoreline Project

Subject Weekly Construction Update Meeting #11

Location Web Meeting (Microsoft Teams)

Date and Time of Meeting 09/08/2026, 09:30 AM CST

Project Number 507107066

Attendees City of Port Lavaca (CPL): Jody Weaver, Kateryna Thomas, Jim Rudellat
KSBR: Veronica Pauda
Coast & Harbor Engineering (CHE): Josh Carter, Thomas Everett, Anna Hnatow, Cody Johnson, Josh Joubert
Maverick Constructors (Maverick): Jeff Mizzi

Number	Item
1	Contract Status and Information ○ <u>Contract Amount:</u> \$10,247,134.00 - Contract Amount after CO #1: \$10,258,234.00 ○ <u>Notice to Proceed:</u> March 10, 2026 ○ <u>Substantial Completion:</u> October 26, 2026 ○ Day 182 of 230 contract days (79%)
2	Previous Action Items ✓ Maverick (Fuselier) to deliver the Pre-Construction Rock Breakwater corridor resurvey data for CHE review prior to rock placement. ✓ CHE to issue ESI No. 3 documenting the revised Borrow Site A/B cut elevations. ○ CHE to review the progress surveys and truck tickets to evaluate the reef breakwater bedding stone shortage and prepare a potential change order for the additional bedding stone. ○ CHE to coordinate haul routes and document road conditions with photos for hauling material from the Lighthouse Beach boat ramp to the Marsh Creation. ○ Maverick to give CPL a few days' heads-up on start and duration of material excavation at the Lighthouse Beach boat ramp. ○ CHE to review the spec on invoicing frequency and coordinate with KSBR and CPL moving to twice-monthly pay applications (and possible joint-check/stockpile-invoice options for Dirt Rocks).
3	Construction Schedule and Progress ○ Maverick completed the Reef Breakwater on Friday (9/4). ○ Maverick noted that Saturday and Sunday were down days while waiting on the rock breaker and gearing up to finish the Marsh Creation sections. ○ Dirt Rocks and the quarry are on site this morning with a breaker to break down the oversized Rock Breakwater bedding stone to a workable gradation. The quarry changed another screen on its power screener (now screening out everything over

10 inches) to improve the product. Maverick has run out of room in the leased staging yard to keep trucking in rock, so the focus is on breaking and processing the existing material.

4 Site Observations, Problems, and Delays

- Marsh Fill:
 - Maverick remains about 1,000 CY short on the eastern marsh cell, with the supplemental source identified at the Lighthouse Beach boat ramp.
 - The plan is to remove the side-cast spoils sitting on top of the natural grade (bring it back to level grade). Maverick's superintendent (Shane) has a good handle on what is acceptable to take.
 - Maverick is interested in harvesting this week, pending getting the trucking company back out.
 - Payment is based on marsh fill yardage placed. CHE will determine internally whether the spoil area needs a pre- and post- survey. Maverick questioned the value given the irregular (hilly) spoil surface. CHE noted this will also require an ESI or change order and will be discussed offline.
 - Maverick raised a concern about performing another joint road survey and assuming road risk with no associated change order or added cost, given only about 2,000 yards will be hauled (limited truck traffic), and asked for leniency on normal wear-and-tear (with any negligence remaining Maverick's responsibility).
 - CPL had few concerns, noting the park access road is former State Highway 35 with a strong (possibly concrete) base, and the spoils area itself is gravel.
 - Maverick is fine documenting conditions properly and will bring a dozer to grade and clean up the gravel/grass areas when finished.
- Rock Bedding Stone:
 - Bedding stone for the rock breakwater has numerous stones outside of the approved spec. Seeing stones on the order of 24"-36". Should not be included in the bedding.
 - Dirt Rocks/quarry reps are on site with a breaker to size down the oversized material, after which the filtered, conforming material can be brought in.

5 RFI, ESI, and Discuss Clarifications for the Work

- ESI No. 3:
 - ESI #3 documents revisions to the borrow area cuts. It is for documentation purposes (material already harvested) and ensures the post-construction survey of the borrow areas aligns with the ESI changes.
 - Issued by CHE on 9/2/2026. Pending Maverick signature.
- ESI / Change Order (Borrow Material):
 - CHE will prepare an additional ESI or change order to document the change in borrow material source (using the Lighthouse Beach material for the marsh fill).

6 Submittals

- CHE identified the following submittals as critical to be submitted:

- Pre-Construction Survey (TS 01 71 23.16, Paragraph 3.04) :
 - Survey of Rock Breakwater corridor received 9/2/2026.
 - Waiting on Maverick to send the surface that will be used for quantity calculations for progress payments.

7 Pay Applications

- Pay App #4 Status:
 - KSBR noted that it's expected to be paid within the next couple of days.
- Pay App #5 Status:
 - KSBR reported it has moved past the GLO grant manager's review and is now in management review. The next steps are pending final processing and then processed.
 - KSBR anticipates it reaching pending final processing within the next week or two and payment within about three weeks.
- Upcoming Pay App #6:
 - Maverick proposed extending the next pay app through Friday's work (~9/6) so the Reef Breakwater is captured 100% complete, allowing the parties to reconcile the breakwater tonnage and bedding stone hauled and better assess what remains. All parties agreed.
 - The Reef Breakwater and borrow area surveys will accompany the submittal.

8 Stakeholder Concerns / Other Discussion

- KSBR will be out of office and will not attend next week's meeting (9/15).

9 Coordination of Site Visits & Next Meeting

- Josh J. will be on site this week to observe construction operations.

10 Action Item List

- Maverick to submit the cleaned Rock Breakwater corridor surface for CHE to use in quantity calculations before rock installation begins.
- Maverick to sign and return ESI No. 3 (revised Borrow Site A/B cut elevations).
- CHE to prepare an additional ESI/change order documenting the Lighthouse Beach borrow material source.
- CHE to review the progress surveys and truck tickets to evaluate the reef breakwater bedding stone shortage and prepare a potential change order for the additional bedding stone.
- CHE to coordinate haul routes and document road conditions with photos for hauling material from the Lighthouse Beach boat ramp to the Marsh Creation.
- Maverick to give CPL a few days' heads-up before harvesting the Lighthouse Beach material (targeting this week).

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BID TABULATION											
CITY OF PORT LAVACA											
HARBOR OF REFUGE SHORELINE RESTORATION											
GLO CDBG-MIT CONTRACT NO. 24-065-167-F082											
BID OPENING: AUGUST 20, 2026											
				REXCO, INC.			LESTER CONTRACTING, INC.			SPARTAN DIVERS, LLC	
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
BASE BID											
1.	Mobilization, Insurance and Bonds	1	LS	\$ 9,070.00	\$ 9,070.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 16,963.00	\$ 16,963.00	\$ 16,963.00	\$ 16,963.00
2.	Silt Fence	1,000	LF	\$ 9.93	\$ 9,930.00	\$ 6.25	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 12.35	\$ 12,350.00	\$ 12,350.00	\$ 12,350.00
3.	Bluff Excavation	3,500	CY	\$ 12.60	\$ 44,100.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 52,500.00	\$ 18.38	\$ 64,330.00	\$ 64,330.00	\$ 64,330.00
4.	Place Clay Cap (18") from onsite Material	3,500	CY	\$ 14.55	\$ 50,925.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 52,500.00	\$ 27.56	\$ 96,460.00	\$ 96,460.00	\$ 96,460.00
5.	Place Seed & Topsoil (6")	1,200	CY	\$ 11.58	\$ 13,896.00	\$ 37.00	\$ 44,400.00	\$ 27.56	\$ 33,072.00	\$ 33,072.00	\$ 33,072.00
6.	Furnish & Install Erosion Control Blanket (Bionet S75BN Erosion Control Blanket as manufactured by Bionet or approved equal)	2,500	SY	\$ 4.78	\$ 11,950.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 11.11	\$ 27,775.00	\$ 27,775.00	\$ 27,775.00
TOTAL BASE BID				\$ 139,871.00		\$ 178,150.00		\$ 250,950.00			
ALTERNATE BID NO. 1											
Place Clay Cap (18") (material provided by the City, located at the WWTP, 800 N Commerce St, Port Lavaca, TX 77979)											
A1.		500	CY	\$ 10.74	\$ 5,370.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 49.00	\$ 24,500.00	\$ 24,500.00	\$ 24,500.00
TOTAL ALTERNATE BID NO. 1				\$ 5,370.00		\$ 17,500.00		\$ 24,500.00			
TOTAL BASE BID + ALTERNATE BID NO. 1				\$ 145,241.00		\$ 195,650.00		\$ 275,450.00			
CALENDAR DAYS TO SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION				30		90		90			