AGENDA



Port Freeport Finance Committee Special Meeting Thursday, January 23, 2025, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm In Person & Videoconference - Administration Building - 1100 Cherry Street - Freeport

This meeting agenda with the agenda packet is posted online at www.portfreeport.com

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to Section 551.127 of the Texas Government Code titled "Videoconference Call." A quorum of the Finance Committee, including the presiding officer, will be present at the Commissioner Meeting Room located at 1100 Cherry Street, Freeport, Texas. The public will be permitted to attend the meeting in person or by videoconference. The videoconference is available online as follows:

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87024344878?pwd=z7u8XbfFtTTJnUksqYpNNrjbrLXs9k.1 Meeting ID: 870 2434 4878 Passcode: 468707

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- 1. Committee Members: Giesecke (Chairman), Croft, Kincannon
- CONVENE OPEN SESSION in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001, et. seq., to review and consider the following:
- 3. Roll Call.
- 4. Public Comment. (Public comment on any matter not on this Agenda will be limited to 5 minutes per participant and can be completed in person or by videoconference)
- 5. Public Testimony. (Public testimony on any item on this Agenda will be limited to 5 minutes per agenda item to be addressed per participant and can be completed in person or by videoconference. The participant shall identify in advance the specific agenda item or items to be addressed.
- 6. Review of quarterly investment reports, portfolio allocation and investment strategies.
- 7. Discussion regarding Energy Services Broker RFP bids.
- 8. Discussion regarding Breakbulk 2025 budget.
- 9. Discuss process of Assignment of Tax Abatement Agreement between Port Freeport and Volkswagen Group of America Inc. and PRP KDC Freeport Development LLC.
- 10. Discussion regarding annual general obligation debt payment process.
- 11. Adjourn.

The Committee does not anticipate going into a closed session under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code at this meeting for any other items on the agenda, however, if necessary, the Committee may go into a closed session as permitted by law regarding any item on the agenda.

With this posted notice, Port Commissioners have been provided certain background information on the above listed agenda items. Copies of this information can be obtained by the public at the Port Administrative offices at 1100 Cherry Street, Freeport, TX.

Phyllis Saathoff, Executive Director/CEO PORT FREEPORT

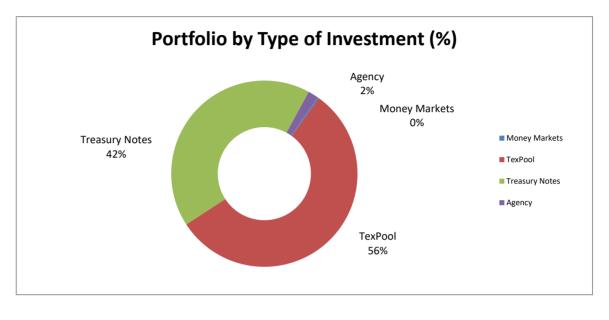
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Port Freeport Finance Committee Investment Review

Portfolio position as of 12/31/24

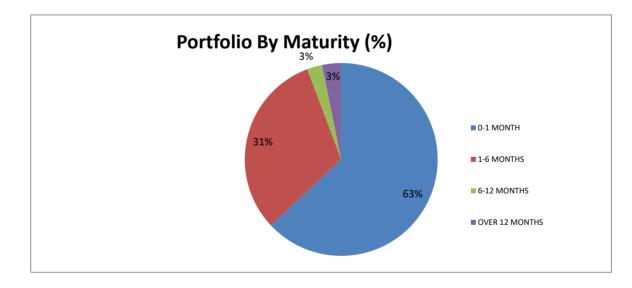
Money Markets	\$ 305,877	0.2%
TexPool	\$ 68,371,988	55.9%
Treasury Notes	\$ 51,515,000	42.1%
Agency	\$ 2,225,000	1.8%
TOTAL	\$ 122,417,865	



1/1/2025 - 3/31/2025 MATURITIES



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Port Freeport Finance Committee Investment Review

	Unrestricted:		Restricted:	
Current Cash & Money Market:				
Cash & MM accounts	\$	7,873,499	306	5,681
Texpool		9,492,893	49,584	1,146
Maturing in next 90 days:				
Jan-25				
Feb-25			25,853	3,000
Mar-25		10,345,000	9,515	5,000
Total Funds Available	\$	27,711,392	\$ 85,258	3,827
Estimated Cash Flow For Next Quarter				
Estimated Revenues	\$	14,485,338	\$	-
Estimated expenses		(4,295,634)		
Debt Service			(3,707	7,157)
2024 Revenue Bond				-
Port Improvement Projects, estimated		(3,000,000)		-
Total Cash Flow	\$	7,189,704	\$ (3,707	7,157)
Excess (Shortfall) Cash Available for Investment	\$	34,901,096	\$ 81,551	L,670

Recommendation for excess cash- subject to market conditions:

Investments:		
Cash & MM accounts	15,063,203	26,159,681
Texpool	19,837,893	55,391,989
3 month investment	-	-
6-12 month investment	-	- Agencies, Treasuries, Municipal or CD's 🛛
12-18 month investment	-	- Agencies, Treasuries, Municipal or CD's 2
18 month investment	-	- Agencies, Treasuries, Municipal or CD's 2
24 month investment	-	- Agencies, Treasuries, Municipal or CD's 🛛
36 month investment		- Agencies, Treasuries, Municipal or CD's 2
60 month investment		- Agencies, Treasuries, Municipal or CD's 🛛
Total investment recommendations	\$ 34,901,096	\$ 81,551,670

Subject to Market Conditions/Interest Rate Conditions and Evaluated Daily.
Port Freeport Channel Improvement Project - subject to USACE request for funding

Port Freeport Finance Committee Investment Review rates as of: 1/16/2025

					Callable	Bullet
_	Texpool	MM-Hilltop	CD's	Tbill/Note	Agency	Agency
MM	4.69%	1.76%				
3 month			1.75%	4.25%		
6 month			3.80%	4.25%		
12 month			3.00%	4.12%		
18 month			3.10%	4.18%		
24 month			3.15%	4.20%		
36 month			2.25%	4.28%	4.40%	

Agencies Available: Federal Home Loan Bank -FHLB Fannie Mae-FNMA Freddie Mac - FHLMC Federal Farm Credit Bank - FFCB



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MEMORANDUM

- TO: Port Commissioners Chief Executive Officer
- FROM: Rob Lowe
- **DATE:** January 15, 2025
- **SUBJECT:** Energy Broker Services

Port Freeport conducted a Request for Proposals for an Energy Broker Service to assist with the process and subsequent selection of an electricity provider. We received submissions from RFC Energy and Prism Energy Solutions and have evaluated those against the advertised criteria in the RFP. Based on that evaluation, staff feels we received two qualified candidates and would recommend that we award the Energy Broker Service to Prism Energy Solutions. Prism has two team members with 34+ years' relevant experience as well as additional staff which would provide the port with a depth of knowledge and resources.

Port Freeport Energy Service Broker RFP Scoring Grid

Attribute		RFC Energy	RFC Energy	Prism Energy	Prism Energy
	Weighting	LLC	Score	Solutions	Solutions Score
Number of years in business	35	10+ years	25	35+years	35
Knowledge of energy markets	35		30		35
Client engagement and communication	30	Sole		Primary contact assigned with multiple	
		proprietor	25	employees	30
Total Score			80		100



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TO: Executive Director/CEO Port Freeport Commissioners Legal Counsel

FROM: Director of Business & Economic Development

DATE: January 23, 2025

SUBJECT: Breakbulk Americas 2025

Breakbulk Americas 2025 ("BBA 2025") will be held at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, September 30 - October 02. Breakbulk Americas is the region's largest and longest-running trade event for the industry. The event is an excellent opportunity to connect with beneficial cargo owners ("BCOs"), shippers, carriers, freight forwarders, EPCs, 3PLs and garner Port Freeport more exposure with industry colleagues. Port Freeport has attended the event annually and has a booth in the Exhibition Hall and holds a Customer Appreciation Reception.

BBA 2025 will occur during Port Freeport's 2026 Fiscal Year. Since the FY2026 Budget has not been adopted by the Port Commission, staff seeks the Port Commission's approval to start incurring expenses to prepare for the event in advance of the FY2026 budget adoption.

On December 19, 2024, the Port Commission approval staff to proceed with making arrangements for the Customer Appreciation Reception in amount \$21,000.

Staff recommends the Port Commissions approval to incur costs related to Breakbulk Americas in advance of the adoption of Port Freeport's FY2025 in amount \$56,000 (including reception) to allow for any unforeseen expenses or potential cost overruns.

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