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City of Pensacola

Memorandum

File #: 19-00235 City Council 6/13/2019

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

SUBJECT:

PORT TARIFF REVISIONS

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council approve the proposed revisions to Port of Pensacola Tariff No. 5A. Further, that City Council authorize the Mayor take all actions necessary to implement the changes.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

As a public seaport, the Port of Pensacola is required under Federal Maritime Commission rules and regulations to maintain a publicly-available tariff that sets forth the rules, regulations, policies, procedures, rates, charges, and fees applicable to the conduct of business at the Port.

Additionally, the Port of Pensacola is a member of the Gulf Seaport Marine Terminals Conference (GSMTC), a rate-setting conference which is registered with the Federal Maritime Commission and enjoys anti-trust immunity under the laws of the United States.

Per section 10-3-17 (b) of the City of Pensacola Code of Ordinances, changes to the tariff may be made by the Mayor with City Council approval.

The specific tariff revisions being proposed:

- Increase vessel dockage and security fee rates to current GSMTC rates
- Increase a variety of other fees and charges to current market rates based on competitor port tariffs
- Update port and service provider listings and contact information
- Update and revise a variety of rules and regulations to better reflect current business mixes and operating parameters at the port

PRIOR ACTION:

March 17, 2016 - City Council approved an administrative revision regarding the Gulf Seaports Marine

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Terminal Conference as well as increases in rates for the following: dockage, security surcharge, container wharfage and container storage. Further, City Council authorized the Mayor to amend Port of Pensacola Terminal Tariff No. 5A to reflect the changes.

FUNDING:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The proposed tariff revisions increasing rates will result in increased revenue to the Port. Tariff revisions not dealing with rates and fees are cost-neutral and will have no impact on Port revenue.

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

5/22/2019

STAFF CONTACT:

Christopher L. Holley, City Administrator Amy Miller, Port Director

ATTACHMENTS:

1) Proposed Revised Port Tariff No. 5A - markup version

PRESENTATION: No