City of Pensacola

Memorandum

File #: 21-00961	City Council	11/18/2021

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 to 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 conduct business at the Port.

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

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 space assignment rates to market rates based on industry comps
- Increase vessel dockage fee rates to current GSMTC rates
- Increase security fee rates to current GSMTC rates

PRIOR ACTION:

January 21, 2021 - City Council approved an administrative revision regarding the Gulf Seaports Marine Terminal Conference as well as increases in rates for the following: vessel dockage fee rates. 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.

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

STAFF CONTACT:

Kerrith Fiddler, City Administrator
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Clark Merritt, Port Director

ATTACHMENTS:

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

PRESENTATION: No