

Port of Brownsville

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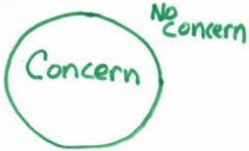


Welcome to August! Not sure about the rest of you but it has been a blur for about the last six months. Let's hope that things shift back to a more normal environment soon.



First I wanted to take this opportunity to thank each of you for the suggestions or comments we have received. As stated we will review all comments and suggestions and take them seriously.

One suggestion we received was to remind owners of boats with pulpits that stick out that if they park bow-in to please pay attention to how far the pulpit and anchor reach out over the dock. This is especially important when the wind or tide push the boats in. This is a safety issue and if someone walking the dock wasn't paying attention they could get injured. The solution is to remain conscious of how the boat's position may change when wind or current changes and to adjust the tie-down lines appropriately. Thanks to all for paying close attention to this for the safety of our guests and tenants.



Our suggestion box may also be used to express concern. We received a note of concern regarding the floating restrooms and the overflowing Sharps container for syringes. The Port has placed these containers in the restrooms for cleanliness, safety and proper disposal so if they are overflowing it defeats all of those purposes. Thank you for the concern and reminder. We will monitor these containers with a closer eye and please if you notice they are full and syringes are in on the floor or elsewhere please report this immediately to the Port Office. Leave a message if it is after hours but since these are a biohazard the safety of our guests and tenants must come first so call it to our attention and we will get it taken care of as soon as possible. Thank you to all for being helpful eyes and ears to Port staff. Please be cautious with these and do not try to handle these on your own.



The 2019 Audit has officially begun. We are hopeful it will be quick and easy since the state auditor was out for several weeks this winter. Please be mindful to Port staff that they are working under pressure to answer to all the requests for documents, procedures and processes.

As most of you are aware the Port has been without a permanent manager for almost a year. The Commission is currently involved in interviewing from a narrowed down candidate pool of applicants. Should see some changes over the next few months once they negotiate and hire for the position. Exciting changes lie ahead and the Port is well positioned for these positive additions.



Commissioners' Meeting:

The regularly scheduled meeting **will be August 12 at 6:00 P.M.**

The meeting will be hosted using Zoom.

Meeting ID: 941 3279 9854 PW: 941814

To Access by phone, dial 1-253-215-8782 and follow the instructions to enter the meeting. Please keep your device muted as repeated interruptions may result in your removal from the meeting.

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