

INDEX

THE BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORTS OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

December 11, 2019

Minute No.	Event/Action
	General
	Chairman Campo convened the meeting of the Board of Pilot Commissioners
	Minutes
(PB-2019-1211-01)	Approve the Minutes of the Board of Pilot Commissioners Meeting – October 22, 2019
	Appearances
(PB-2019-1211-02)	Captain Mark Mitchem, Presiding Officer, Houston Pilots Association, addressed the Pilot Board
	Pilot Matters
(PB-2019-1211-03)	Authorize an Amended Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Houston Authority regarding the performance of certain governmental functions and services (related to Port Authority RCA to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports, considered at its public meeting of December 11, 2019)
(PB-2019-1211-04)	Staff Report – Selected agenda items – Marcus Woodring, Chief Port Security and Emergency Operations Officer
(PB-2019-1211-05)	Appointment of Pilot Board Application Review Committee (ARC) Members
(PB-2019-1211-06)	Appointment of Pilot Board Investigation and Recommendation Committee (PBIRC) Members
(PB-2019-1211-07)	Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Holly B. Cooper

Minute No.	Event/Action
(PB-2019-1211-08)	Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Barry C. Holland
(PB-2019-1211-09)	Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Bradley G. Miller
(PB-2019-1211-10)	Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Charles C. Murphy
(PB-2019-1211-11)	Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Steven A. Nelson
(PB-2019-1211-12)	Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain David A. Rodrigues
(PB-2019-1211-13)	Recommendation for original Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain John C. Dunaway

Adjourn Meeting

**Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports
Public Meeting**

**Houston, Texas
December 11, 2019**

A public meeting of the Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the "Pilot Board") was convened on December 11, 2019 at 11:28 a.m., at the Port of Houston Authority Executive Office, Fourth Floor Boardroom, at 111 East Loop North, Houston, Texas 77029. The following Commissioners, staff, and counsel were present:

Ric Campo, Chairman
Theldon R. Branch, III, Commissioner
Wendy Cloonan, Commissioner
Dean Corgey, Commissioner
Clyde E. Fitzgerald, Commissioner
Roy D. Mease, Commissioner
Roger Guenther, Executive Director, Port of Houston Authority
Erik Eriksson, Secretary and General Counsel
Tom Heidt, Chief Operating Officer, Port of Houston Authority
J. Kent Friedman, outside counsel

Chairman Campo convened the meeting of the Pilot Board.

(PB-2019-01211-01) Minutes

Chairman Campo called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2019 Pilot Board meeting. Commissioner Mease moved for approval, seconded by Commissioner Fitzgerald. The minutes were approved as written.

Chairman Campo asked Captain Mitchem if he would like to address the Pilot Board; Captain Mitchem affirmed that he would.

(PB-2019-1211-02) Captain Mitchem asked whether the commissioners had received a hard copy of the Houston Pilots's study, as first discussed at the July 30th "Big 10" meeting, which included the Pilots's conclusions regarding what would happen in a 700-foot wide channel, including risk assessments and simulations. He added that the Houston Pilots had pulled resources into the project totaling approximately one-thousand man-hours. He remarked that an answer was soon expected from the Coalition for a Fair and Open Port (which had done some modeling), as to the effect on overall channel traffic, including tanker traffic and container traffic, if the Pilots's restrictions were removed from Buoy 18 to Morgan's Point. Captain Mitchem remarked that there was a significant amount of good in the project for everyone, further noting there was nothing bad. He asked if there were any questions; there were none.

Captain Mitchem moved on to present the Secretary of the Pilot Board with the Houston Pilots's tariff for 2020, advising that there were no changes from 2019. He thanked the Pilot Board for its hard work and support and noted that the Houston Ship

Channel continued to grow, as traffic was trending up this year almost 2%, with 18,780 transits. He added that the organization was in good shape as the busiest port in the country and was in no danger of losing that status.

Captain Mitchem concluded by announcing that he would be stepping down as Presiding Officer as of January 1, 2020, and recognized his successor, Captain Robert Thompson. He noted that Captain Thompson had presided before, and advised that if there were any questions, Captain Thompson would be able to answer them after January 1.

Commissioner Mease thanked Captain Mitchem, and Chairman Campo added that the Pilot Board really appreciated his hard work as presiding officer. Chairman Campo also personally thanked Captain Mitchem for everything he had done to bring him up to speed with pilot issues and expressed his further appreciation for his hard work in that regard.

Chairman Campo announced there were no public comments and moved to staff reports.

The Pilot Board considered each Request for Pilot Board Action (“RPBA”) attached to these minutes as Exhibit “A.”

(PB-2019-1211-03) RPBA F1 was presented, moved by Commissioner Mease for approval, seconded by Commissioner Branch. Chairman Campo, and Commissioners Branch, Cloonan, Corgey, Fitzgerald and Mease voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA F1 PASSED.

(PB-2019-1211-04) Chairman Campo recognized Marcus Woodring, Chief Port Security and Emergency Operations Officer, to provide a report of selected agenda items.

Mr. Woodring advised that the next two agenda items were reappointments of the Pilot Board Application Review Committee (ARC) members and Pilot Board Investigation and Recommendation Committee (PBIRC) members for 2020. He noted that the memberships remained exactly the same, with the exception of substituting Captain Thompson for Captain Mitchem as the new presiding officer.

(PB-2019-1211-05) RPBA F2 was presented, moved by Commissioner Branch for approval, seconded by Commissioner Cloonan. Chairman Campo, and Commissioners Branch, Cloonan, Corgey, Fitzgerald, and Mease voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA F2 PASSED.

(PB-2019-1211-06) RPBA F3 was presented, moved by Commissioner Branch for approval, seconded by Commissioner Cloonan. Chairman Campo, and Commissioners

Branch, Cloonan, Corgey, Fitzgerald, and Mease voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA F3 PASSED.

Mr. Woodring also advised of six renewals that would be effective through July 2020 and noted that he wanted to get as far ahead as humanly possible as part of the transition plan, to ensure that no pilot commission lapsed. In addition, he noted one branch pilot appointee who was in the process of completing his deputy program and was expected to be ready by May to become a full branch pilot.

(PB-2019-1211-07) RPBA F4 was presented, moved by Commissioner Branch for approval, seconded by Commissioner Cloonan. Chairman Campo, and Commissioners Branch, Cloonan, Corgey, Fitzgerald, and Mease voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA F4 PASSED.

(PB-2019-1211-08) RPBA F5 was presented, moved by Commissioner Branch for approval, seconded by Commissioner Cloonan. Chairman Campo, and Commissioners Branch, Cloonan, Corgey, Fitzgerald, and Mease voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA F5 PASSED.

(PB-2019-1211-09) RPBA F6 was presented, moved by Commissioner Branch for approval, seconded by Commissioner Cloonan. Chairman Campo, and Commissioners Branch, Cloonan, Corgey, Fitzgerald, and Mease voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA F6 PASSED.

(PB-2019-1211-10) RPBA F7 was presented, moved by Commissioner Branch for approval, seconded by Commissioner Cloonan. Chairman Campo, and Commissioners Branch, Cloonan, Corgey, Fitzgerald, and Mease voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA F7 PASSED.

(PB-2019-1211-11) RPBA F8 was presented, moved by Commissioner Branch for approval, seconded by Commissioner Cloonan. Chairman Campo, and Commissioners Branch, Cloonan, Corgey, Fitzgerald, and Mease voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA F8 PASSED.

(PB-2019-1211-12) RPBA F9 was presented, moved by Commissioner Branch for approval, seconded by Commissioner Cloonan. Chairman Campo, and Commissioners Branch, Cloonan, Corgey, Fitzgerald, and Mease voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA F9 PASSED.

(PB-2019-1211-13) RPBA F10 was presented, moved by Commissioner Branch for approval, seconded by Commissioner Cloonan. Chairman Campo, and Commissioners

Branch, Cloonan, Corgey, Fitzgerald, and Mease voted Aye. Nays none. RPBA F10 PASSED.

Chairman Campo asked if there was a need for an Executive Session; there was none.

Chairman Campo advised that the next meeting of the Pilot Board would be on January 9, 2020 and noted there would be a different Pilot Board membership. He thanked the Pilot Board members for serving and expressed his appreciation for all they had done.

In response to Chairman Campo's inquiry, Mr. Eriksson advised that letters of resignation had been prepared for the sitting Pilot Board members, which would be handled following the meeting.

At 11:33 a.m., Chairman Campo adjourned the Pilot Board meeting.

The above is a correct copy of the Minutes of the December 11, 2019 meeting of the Pilot Board of the Port of Houston Authority.



Ric Campo, Chairman



Erik A. Eriksson, Secretary

F. PILOT MATTERS

Subject	1. Authorize an Amended Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Houston Authority regarding the performance of certain governmental functions and services (related to Port Authority RCA to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports, considered at its public meeting of December 11, 2019).
Meeting	Dec 11, 2019 - BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS FOR HARRIS COUNTY PORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	The Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (Pilot Board), at its December 11, 2019 meeting, authorize an Amended Interlocal Agreement with the Port of Houston Authority for the performance of certain governmental functions and services, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.

Category:
Pilot Matters

Department:
Pilot Administration

Staff Contact:
Erik Eriksson

Background:

Since 1923, the regulation of pilot services by the Pilot Board has been an adjunct to the Port Authority's state-mandated exercise of control over the channels and waterways within Port Authority limits. The cooperation between the Port Authority and the Pilot Board in performing their respective functions has been beneficial to both the Port Authority and the Pilot Board and has improved the efficiency and effectiveness of the Pilot Board's regulatory efforts. Since that time, Port Commissioners have served as Pilot Board members as well.

In order to formalize the cooperation of the two entities, interlocal agreements have been adopted between them, providing for the use of Port Authority staff time and resources to assist the Pilot Board in carrying out its duties. Both parties are authorized under the Texas Government Code Section 791 (the Interlocal Cooperation Act) to enter into interlocal contracts for such services.

As a result of a new appointment process provided in S.B. 1915 enacted this year by the 86th Legislature, upon the resignation of Port Commissioners from the Pilot Board, separately-appointed Pilot Board members will succeed to its governance.

Staff Evaluation/Justification:

The current Interlocal Agreement has a one-year renewable term that continues until canceled by either party. In order to provide for a transition period to facilitate this change in governance, staff recommends that the prior agreement be cancelled and a new agreement be entered into. The new agreement would continue the cooperative arrangements currently in place, but terminate March 31, 2020, permitting the newly-seated Pilot Board members to implement new arrangements for carrying out the Pilot Board's statutory duties prior to termination of the agreement.

Accordingly, Legal Division staff recommends that the Pilot Board enter into an Amended Interlocal Agreement with the Port Authority for the performance of governmental functions and services by the Port Authority to assist the Pilot Board, including use of Port Authority staff, time, and resources, and for the funding of certain expenses of the Pilot Board, for a term ending March 31, 2020.

F. PILOT MATTERS

Subject	2. Appointment of Pilot Board Application Review Committee (ARC) Members.
Meeting	Dec 11, 2019 - BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS FOR HARRIS COUNTY PORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	<p>The Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the Pilot Board), at its December 11, 2019 meeting, approve the appointment of the following nominees to the Pilot Board Application Review Committee for the calendar year 2020 and thereafter until a replacement is named, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Captain Marcus Woodring - Port of Houston Authority - Chairman (b) Captain Robert Thompson - Houston Pilots Association - Presiding Officer (c) Captain Gilbert Martinez - Houston Pilots Association (d) Captain Joe Hill - Maritime Industry (e) Pat Studdert - Maritime Industry (f) Captain Stephen Polk - At Large (g) Sarah Kay Janes - At Large (h) Captain M. Tyler Gavis - Port of Houston Authority - Vice Chairman (Non - Voting Member)

Category:
Pilot Matters

Department:
Pilot Administration

Staff Contact:
Erik Eriksson

Background:
Prior authorizing Pilot Board Action: Minute No. 2018-1212-04

Pursuant to the Rules and Regulations Governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel between the Galveston Bar and the Turning Basin Houston, Texas (Rules), adopted August 25, 1993 by Minute No. 1881, amended by Minute No. 2007-1030-66, Minute No. 2010-0323-23, and Minute No. 2013-0723-08, the ARC reviews applications for pilot commissions, deputy pilot certificates, and pilot pool qualification, and makes recommendations whether each applicant meets the qualifications for a pilot. The Rules provide that the ARC is appointed annually by the Chairman of the Pilot Board, with the appointees subject to approval by the Pilot Board. The Rules provide that the ARC shall be composed of voting members from the Houston Pilots Association, the Port of Houston maritime industry, the Harris County community at large, and the Port of Houston Authority, and chaired by a Port of Houston Authority voting member.

Staff Evaluation/Justification:
Pursuant to the Rules, the Chairman of the Pilot Board appoints, subject to approval by the Pilot Board, the following as members of the ARC:

Captain Marcus Woodring - Port of Houston Authority - Chairman
 Captain Robert Thompson - Houston Pilots Association - Presiding Officer
 Captain Gilbert Martinez - Houston Pilots Association
 Captain Joe Hill - Maritime Industry
 Pat Studdert - Maritime Industry

Captain Stephen Polk - At Large

Sarah Kay Janes - At Large

Captain M. Tyler Gavis - Port of Houston Authority - Vice Chairman (Non - Voting Member)

The Secretary of the Pilot Board requests that the Pilot Board approve each ARC member appointee, to serve for the calendar year 2020 and thereafter until a replacement is named.

F. PILOT MATTERS

Subject	3. Appointment of Pilot Board Investigation and Recommendation Committee (PBIRC) Members.
Meeting	Dec 11, 2019 - BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS FOR HARRIS COUNTY PORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	<p>The Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the Pilot Board), at its December 11, 2019 meeting, approve the appointment of the following nominees to the Pilot Board Investigation Recommendation Committee for the calendar year 2020 and thereafter until a replacement is named, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Captain Marcus Woodring - Port of Houston Authority - Chairman (b) Captain Robert Thompson - Houston Pilots Association - Presiding Officer (c) Captain Mike Curtiss - Houston Pilots Association (d) Captain Steve Nelson - Houston Pilots Association (e) Captain Richard Russell - Maritime Industry (f) Captain David Foret, Jr. - Maritime Industry (g) Captain Richard Ford - Maritime Industry (h) Paul Caruselle - Maritime Industry (i) Thomas Marian - Maritime Industry

Category:
Pilot Matters

Department:
Pilot Administration

Staff Contact:
Erik Eriksson

Background:
Prior authorizing Pilot Board Action: Minute No. 2018-1212-05

Pursuant to the Rules and Regulations Governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel between the Galveston Bar and the Turning Basin Houston, Texas (Rules), adopted August 25, 1993 by Minute No. 1881, amended by Minute No. 2003-331-55, Minute No. 2007-1030-66, Minute No. 2010-0323-23, and Minute No. 2013-0723-08, the PBIRC investigates, holds hearings, and makes recommendations regarding certain accidents on the Houston Ship Channel and matters pertaining to the Rules. The Rules provide that the PBIRC is appointed annually by the Chairman of the Pilot Board, with the appointees subject to approval by the Pilot Board. The Rules provide that the PBIRC shall be composed of voting members from the Houston Pilots Association, Port of Houston maritime industry, non-voting advisory members from the U.S. Coast Guard, and the Port of Houston Authority, and chaired by a Port of Houston Authority voting member.

Staff Evaluation/Justification:
Pursuant to the Rules, the Chairman of the Pilot Board appoints, subject to approval by the Pilot Board, the following as members of the PBIRC:

- Captain Marcus Woodring - Port of Houston Authority - Chairman
- Captain Robert Thompson - Houston Pilots Association - Presiding Officer
- Captain Mike Curtiss - Houston Pilots Association
- Captain Steve Nelson - Houston Pilots Association
- Captain Richard Russell - Maritime Industry

Captain David Foret, Jr. - Maritime Industry
Captain Richard Ford - Maritime Industry
Paul Caruselle - Maritime Industry
Thomas Marian - Maritime Industry

The Secretary of the Pilot Board requests that the Pilot Board approve each PBIRC member appointee, to serve for the calendar year 2020 and thereafter, until a replacement is named.

F. PILOT MATTERS

Subject	4. Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Holly B. Cooper.
Meeting	Dec 11, 2019 - BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS FOR HARRIS COUNTY PORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	The Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the Pilot Board), at its December 11, 2019 meeting, recommend to the governor the commission renewal of Captain Holly B. Cooper as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar for a four-year term effective July 27, 2020, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.

Category:
Pilot Matters

Department:
Pilot Administration

Staff Contact:
Erik Eriksson

Background:

The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.

Staff Evaluation/Justification:

Captain Holly B. Cooper has applied for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. The application included proof of continued education training in Restricted Visibility Navigation for Pilots, Manned Model Shiphhandling - Ultra Large Containerships - Barbours Cut, Emergency Shiphhandling for Pilots, Brownwater/ Bluewater Coordination Course, Electronic Chart Display Information System (ECDIS), Manned Model Shiphhandling, Fatigue Management for Pilots, Collision Regulations for Pilots (COLREG), Raven Electronic Navigation Systems Training, Post Panamax Vessels: New Challenges for Pilots, Escort Tug Operations for Pilots, and a letter on her behalf from the Houston Pilots with evidence of her ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor.

After an assessment of her qualifications and the documents filed with her application, the ARC determined that Captain Holly B. Cooper meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.041, and the Rules and Regulations Governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar.

Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain Holly B. Cooper for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Such commission is for a four-year term.

F. PILOT MATTERS

Subject	5. Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Barry C. Holland.
Meeting	Dec 11, 2019 - BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS FOR HARRIS COUNTY PORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	The Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the Pilot Board), at its December 11, 2019 meeting, recommend to the governor the commission renewal of Captain Barry C. Holland as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar for a four-year term effective July 27, 2020, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.

Category:
Pilot Matters

Department:
Pilot Administration

Staff Contact:
Erik Eriksson

Background:

The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.

Staff Evaluation/Justification:

Captain Barry C. Holland has applied for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. The application included proof of continued education training in Restricted Visibility Navigation for Pilots, Emergency Shiphandling for Pilots, Legal Aspects of Piloting, Post Panamax Vessels: New Challenges for Pilots, Escort Tug Operations for Pilots, Radar Observer (recertification), and a letter on his behalf from the Houston Pilots with evidence of his ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor.

After an assessment of his qualifications and the documents filed with his application, the ARC determined that Captain Barry C. Holland meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.041, and the Rules and Regulations Governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar.

Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain Barry C. Holland for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Such commission is for a four-year term.

F. PILOT MATTERS

Subject	6. Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Bradley G. Miller.
Meeting	Dec 11, 2019 - BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS FOR HARRIS COUNTY PORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	The Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the Pilot Board), at its December 11, 2019 meeting, recommend to the governor the commission renewal of Captain Bradley G. Miller as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar for a four-year term effective July 25, 2020, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.

Category:
Pilot Matters

Department:
Pilot Administration

Staff Contact:
Erik Eriksson

Background:

The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.

Staff Evaluation/Justification:

Captain Bradley G. Miller has applied for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. The application included proof of continued education training in Manned Model Shiphandling - Ultra Large Containerships - Barbours Cut, Restricted Visibility Navigation for Pilots, Manned Model Shiphandling, Brownwater/ Bluewater Coordination Course, Legal Aspects of Piloting, Electronic Chart Display Information System (ECDIS), Fatigue Management for Pilots, Radar Observer (recertification), Collision Regulations for Pilots (COLREG), Raven Electronic Navigation Systems Training, and a letter on his behalf from the Houston Pilots with evidence of his ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor.

After an assessment of his qualifications and the documents filed with his application, the ARC determined that Captain Bradley G. Miller meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.041, and the Rules and Regulations Governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar.

Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain Bradley G. Miller for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Such commission is for a four-year term.

F. PILOT MATTERS

Subject	7. Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Charles C. Murphy.
Meeting	Dec 11, 2019 - BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS FOR HARRIS COUNTY PORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	The Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the Pilot Board), at its December 11, 2019 meeting, recommend to the governor the commission renewal of Captain Charles C. Murphy as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar for a four-year term effective May 16, 2020, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.

Category:
Pilot Matters

Department:
Pilot Administration

Staff Contact:
Erik Eriksson

Background:

The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.

Staff Evaluation/Justification:

Captain Charles C. Murphy has applied for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. The application included proof of continued education training in Manned Model Shiphandling - Ultra Large Containerships - Barbours Cut, Brownwater/ Bluewater Coordination Course, Collision Regulations for Pilots (COLREG), Fatigue Management for Pilots, Raven Electronic Navigation Systems Training, and a letter on his behalf from the Houston Pilots with evidence of his ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor.

After an assessment of his qualifications and the documents filed with his application, the ARC determined that Captain Charles C. Murphy meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.041, and the Rules and Regulations Governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar.

Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain Charles C. Murphy for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Such commission is for a four-year term.

F. PILOT MATTERS

Subject	8. Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain Steven A. Nelson.
Meeting	Dec 11, 2019 - BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS FOR HARRIS COUNTY PORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	The Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the Pilot Board), at its December 11, 2019 meeting, recommend to the governor the commission renewal of Captain Steven A. Nelson as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar for a four-year term effective July 25, 2020, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.

Category:
Pilot Matters

Department:
Pilot Administration

Staff Contact:
Erik Eriksson

Background:

The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.

Staff Evaluation/Justification:

Captain Steven A. Nelson has applied for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. The application included proof of continued education training in Manned Model Shiphandling, Brownwater/ Bluewater Coordination Course, Legal Aspects of Piloting, Fatigue Management for Pilots, Raven Electronic Navigation Systems Training, and a letter on his behalf from the Houston Pilots with evidence of his ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor.

After an assessment of his qualifications and the documents filed with his application, the ARC determined that Captain Steven A. Nelson meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.041, and the Rules and Regulations Governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar.

Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain Steven A. Nelson for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Such commission is for a four-year term.

F. PILOT MATTERS

Subject	9. Recommendation for renewal of Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain David A. Rodrigues.
Meeting	Dec 11, 2019 - BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS FOR HARRIS COUNTY PORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	The Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the Pilot Board), at its December 11, 2019 meeting, recommend to the governor the commission renewal of Captain David A. Rodrigues as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar for a four-year term effective May 25, 2020, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.

Category:
Pilot Matters

Department:
Pilot Administration

Staff Contact:
Erik Eriksson

Background:

The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.

Staff Evaluation/Justification:

Captain David A. Rodrigues has applied for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. The application included proof of continued education training in Collision Regulations for Pilots (COLREG), Automatic Identification Systems (AIS), Legal Aspects of Piloting, Electronic Chart Display Information System (ECDIS), Radar Observer (recertification), PPU Electronic Navigation System Training, Emergency Shiphandling for Pilots, Fatigue Management for Pilots, Bridge Resource Management for Pilots (BRM- P), Manned Model Shiphandling, and a letter on his behalf from the Houston Pilots with evidence of his ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor.

After an assessment of his qualifications and the documents filed with his application, the ARC determined that Captain David A. Rodrigues meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.041, and the Rules and Regulations Governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar.

Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain David A. Rodrigues for commission renewal as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Such commission is for a four-year term.

F. PILOT MATTERS

Subject	10. Recommendation for original Branch Pilot Commission for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar: Captain John C. Dunaway.
Meeting	Dec 11, 2019 - BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS FOR HARRIS COUNTY PORTS
Access	Public
Type	Action
Recommended Action	The Board of Pilot Commissioners for Harris County Ports (the Pilot Board), at its December 11, 2019 meeting, recommend to the governor the original commission of Captain John C. Dunaway as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar for a four-year term effective May 24, 2020, and further authorize the Secretary of the Pilot Board to do any and all things in his opinion reasonable or necessary to give effect to the foregoing.

Category:
Pilot Matters

Department:
Pilot Administration

Staff Contact:
Erik Eriksson

Background:

The Application Review Committee (ARC) of the Pilot Board considers whether applicants meet the statutory and regulatory requirements for pilots on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Among other things, applicants undergo a physical examination to determine if an applicant is in good mental and physical health in order to perform the duties of pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar, and an investigation including a criminal background check and the applicant's accident history is conducted.

Staff Evaluation/Justification:

Captain John C. Dunaway has applied for original commission as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. The application included proof of continued education training in Manned Model Shiphandling, Tractor Tug Operations Training, Legal Aspects of Piloting, Fatigue & Lifestyle Management for Pilots, Bridge Resource Management for Pilots (BRM-P), Restricted Visibility for Pilots, PPU Electronic Navigation, and a letter on his behalf from the Houston Pilots with evidence of his ability to enter into a faithful performance bond in the amount of \$25,000 payable to the governor.

After an assessment of his qualifications and the documents filed with his application, the ARC determined that Captain John C. Dunaway meets the requirements of Chapter 66 of the Texas Transportation Code, Houston Pilots Licensing and Regulatory Act, Section 66.033, and the Rules and Regulations Governing Pilots and Pilotage on the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar.

Accordingly, the ARC respectfully submits to the Pilot Board the application of Captain John C. Dunaway for original commission as Branch Pilot for the Houston Ship Channel and Galveston Bar. Such commission is for a four-year term.