



MINUTES OF THE RATE HEARING FOR INDUSTRIES
Held On November 4, 2025

The November 4, 2025, Business Meeting was called to order at 10:09 a.m., by President Martin. The meeting was held at the Port of Sunnyside's Business Administration Office located at 2405 Reith Way, Suite 2 Sunnyside, WA.

COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF PRESENT AT THE BUSINESS MEETING:

Arnold Martin, Commission President	Lucia Navarro, Executive Director
Jim Grubenhoff, Commission Vice President	Delilah Saenz, Finance Director
Tyler Schilperoort (excused absence)	Travis Jansen, Operations Manager
Rob Faber, Legal Counsel	

GUESTS: None

Rate Hearing was opened at 10:10 a.m. by President Martin

LEGAL COMMENTS:

Rob provided an overview of the hearing. He explained that the purpose of the hearing will be to review and consider financial data and wastewater treatment cost projections for 2026, and to receive comments and information from current users of the Port's Industrial Wastewater Treatment Facility ("IWWTF") as well as any member of the public. As of meeting time there were no written or oral comments that had been received. The Port's obligations with regards to this rate hearing are established by the user contracts with the industries discharging their industrial wastewater to the Port. The Port upgraded the IWWTF user contract several years ago. However, the old industry contract and the new user contract have similar obligations as to this rate hearing, so it does not matter which contract form an industry has signed. Pursuant to the user contracts, before establishing the IWWTF rates, the Port must send written notice to each industry.

1. The notice must be given at least 10 days before the public hearing. Here, the notice was mailed to the industries on October 20, 2025, and the public hearing is on November 4, 2025.
2. The notice must include the date and time of the rate hearing, together with any proposed rate changes. The notice given to the industries did include the date (November 4, 2025), and time (10:00 a.m.) of the rate hearing, as well as the proposed rate changes for each respective industry.
3. The Port must provide the industries with historic accounting data and other pertinent information to explain or support the proposed rate changes. The Port made available the 5-year historic data for any Industry that came to the User Meeting on October 14, 2025. This information also was mailed on October 15, 2025, to each Industry that did not come to the User Meeting.

The public rate hearing was closed at 10:15 a.m. by President Martin.

STAFF COMMENTS: Commissioner Martin commented that the budget presentation from Delilah was well put together.

Commissioner Grubenhoff congratulated Travis and the team out at IWWTF.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Motion to approve Resolution 2025-08, "A Resolution of the Port of Sunnyside, Yakima County Washington Levying the Annual Tax Revenue to Carry on the Operations of the Port of Sunnyside for the Calendar Year ending December 31, 2026". Commissioner Grubenhoff moved to approve; Commissioner Martin seconded. Motion approved 2-0.
- Motion to approve Resolution 2025-09, "A Resolution of the Port of Sunnyside, Yakima County Washington Levying the 2026 Ad Valorem Property Taxes for the Port of Sunnyside for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2026". Commissioner Grubenhoff moved to approve; Commissioner Martin seconded. Motion approved 2-0.
- Motion to approve Resolution 2025-10, "A Resolution of the Port Commission of the Port of Sunnyside Setting 2026 Wastewater Rates for the Industrial Wastewater Treatment Facility". Commissioner Grubenhoff moved to approve; Commissioner Martin seconded. Motion approved 2-0.
- Motion to approve Resolution 2025-11, "A Resolution Adopting a Budget for the Calendar Year 2026". Commissioner Grubenhoff moved to approve; Commissioner Martin seconded. Motion approved 2-0.

ADJOURNMENT: The Business Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m., peace and harmony prevailing.



Arnold Lee Martin, President

ATTEST:


Jim Grubenhoff, Vice President