

# NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING

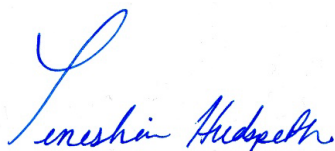
January 8, 2025

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Texas statute, a special joint meeting of the Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, and the City of Houston Council will be held on Monday, January 13, 2025, at 10:30 am in the Port of Houston Authority Executive Office Building, Fourth Floor Boardroom, 111 East Loop North, Houston, Texas 77029 for the purposes of: (1) appointing the Chair of the Port Commission of the Port of Houston Authority for a two-year term commencing on February 1, 2025; and (2) appointing the Chair of the Board of Pilot Commissioners for a two-year term commencing on February 1, 2025. The agenda is attached to this notice.

Section 5007.205 of the Special District Local Laws Code provides that the Chair is appointed in January of odd-numbered years. Section 5007.205(d) requires that the Mayor and City Council of Houston and the County Judge and Commissioners of Harris County shall hold a joint meeting to appoint the Chair of the Port Commission on the second Monday of January. Section 5007.205(e) provides that each City Council Member and the Mayor have one vote each and each member of Commissioners Court has 3.4 votes (17 divided by 5). Section 5007.205(f) requires that at least 17.1 votes (“a majority of the total potential votes”) be present to establish a quorum and that the chair be appointed by a majority of the potential voters.

Section 66.0116 of the Texas Transportation Code provides that the Chair of the Board of Pilot Commissioners is appointed in January of odd-numbered years. Section 66.0116(d) requires that the Mayor and City Council of Houston and the County Judge and Commissioners of Harris County shall hold a joint meeting on the second Monday of January in each odd-numbered year to appoint the Chair. Section 66.0116(e) provides that each City Council Member and the Mayor have one vote each and each County Commissioner and the County Judge has 3.4 votes (17 divided by 5). Section 66.0116(f) requires that at least 17.1 voters (“a majority of the total potential votes”) be present to establish a quorum and that the chair be appointed by a majority of the potential voters.

Members of the public may attend, participate and/or address Commissioners Court and City Council in-person. Members of the public may only speak about topics that appear on the special joint meeting agenda. Members of the public who attend the meeting in-person may make in-person comments by signing up to speak at <https://appearancerequest.harriscountytexas.gov> before 8:00 a.m. on Monday, January 13, 2025.



Teneshia Hudspeth, County Clerk  
and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court  
of Harris County, Texas



James E. Hastings Jr., Director  
Commissioners Court Records





**Joint Session of the Harris County Commissioners Court and Houston City Council<sup>1</sup>**

**Appointment of the Chairman of the Port Commission of the  
Port of Houston Authority of Harris County, Texas  
and  
Appointment of the Chairman of the Board of Pilot Commissioners For Harris County Ports**

**Monday, January 13, 2025<sup>2</sup>  
111 East Loop North, Houston, Texas 77029  
10:30 AM**

**Meeting Agenda**

- I. Call to Order** – *Houston Mayor John Whitmire*
- II. Determination that a Quorum is Present** – *Harris County Clerk and Houston City Secretary<sup>3</sup>*
- III. Pledge of Allegiance (optional)**
- IV. Invocation (optional)**
- V. Opening Comments**
  - *Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo*
  - *Houston Mayor John Whitmire*
- VI. Public Comments**
  - *City of Houston Public Speakers*
  - *Harris County Public Speakers*
- VII. Call for Nominations**
  - *Chairman of the Port Commission of the Port of Houston Authority of Harris County, Texas*
- VIII. Call for a Vote<sup>4</sup>**
  - *Texas Special District Local Laws Code, Sec. 5007.205(e) provides that each Houston City Council Member and the Mayor have one vote each and Commissioners Court members have 3.4 votes each (17 divided by 5).*
- IX. Call for Nominations**
  - *Chairman of the Board of Pilot Commissioners For Harris County Ports*

**X. Call for a Vote<sup>5</sup>**

- *Texas Transportation Code, Sec. 66.0116(e) provides that each Houston City Council Member and the Mayor have one vote each and Commissioners Court members have 3.4 votes each (17 divided by 5).*

**XI. Adjourn**

<sup>1</sup> Texas Special District Local Laws Code, Sec. 5007.205(a)

<sup>2</sup> Texas Special District Local Laws Code, Sec. 5007.205(d)

<sup>3</sup> Texas Special District Local Laws Code, Sec. 5007.205(f)

<sup>4</sup> Texas Special District Local Laws Code, Sec. 5007.205(e)

<sup>5</sup> Texas Transportation Code, Sec. 66.0116(e)