

Inland Port of Dallas County

Local Government Corporation

DATE: September 8, 2026

TO: Inland Port Board of Directors

FROM: Luis Tamayo, Director

SUBJECT: Inland Port of Dallas County Board of Directors Meeting Minutes for May 13, 2026

The meeting was called to order 2:35 PM.

Approval of the Inland Port of Dallas County Local Government Corporation Meeting Minutes for March 10, 2026.

- Director Reed made a motion to accept the April minutes, and Director Kehely seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Nomination of Sheila Petta, Mayor of Wilmer, to the Dallas County Inland Port Local Government Corporation board of directors.

- Director Reed made a motion to accept the nomination, and Director Blair seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Dallas County Inland Port Local Government Corporation workplan

- There were no additional changes to the workplan as presented in the previous board meeting. It was noted that the Inland Port Symposium was rescheduled for fall. Director Tamayo inquired if any grants were identified for the workplan. Ms. Freeland is working on a recommended Economic Development grant for AI and exploring ports grants with Burns McDonald. Director Reed recommended creating a list of projects that may be eligible for community funding earmarks or legislative session appropriation requests. Director Reed made a motion to accept the plan; Director Kehely seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Economic Development Update

- Ms. Freeland is exploring additional infrastructure grant opportunities and highlighting community engagement activities. Safe Streets and Roads for All Focus grants are available for cities. Mesquite and Balch Springs provided feedback to other city partners who may be interested in applying. Additionally, TxDOT has several projects that may positively impact the Inland Port/Southern Dallas. Ms. Freeland monitors workforce and economic development opportunities in the area and ways to connect local partners/cities.
- Upcoming projects: Assisting Wilmer with a Clean Ports Grant for their Parkland clinic and promoting the Inland Port Symposium coming up in September.

- CM Myles reported on an autonomous vehicle grant partnership between Balch Springs, Dallas College and NCTCOG. Balch Springs will roll out this program in the fall. These efforts are related to workforce development with Dallas College's successful mechatronics programs.

New Business

- Director Reed requested an update on engaging other Inland Port cities into the LGC. Ms. Freeland will follow up with member cities and address prior questions about LGC funding and membership. An update will be provided at the next board meeting.

Meeting Cadence

- The next meeting will be on July 14, 2026 at 3:00 pm at the SDGC.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:23 PM.

These minutes were approved by the Inland Port of Dallas County Board of Directors on September 8, 2026.

BOARD CHAIR SIGNATURE: 	BOARD SECRETARY SIGNATURE: 
Signatures are evidence that these are official minutes	