

State of Texas

Brazoria County

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City of Freeport, met in a regular meeting on Monday, January 22nd, 2008, at 6:00 p.m., at the Freeport Police Department, Municipal Court Room, 430 North Brazosport Boulevard, Freeport Texas, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

City Council: Larry L. McDonald
 Clan A. Cameron
 Jim Saccomanno
 John Smith, III
 Norma M. Garcia

Staff: Gary Beverly, City Manager
 Wallace Shaw, City Attorney
 Delia Munoz, City Secretary
 Nat Hickey, Property Manager
 Jeff Pynes, Police Chief
 John Stanford, Fire Chief
 Doug Caffey, Building Inspector
 Larry Fansher, Public Works Director
 Laura Tolar, Property Asst.

Visitors:	Sandra Barnett	George Elizondo
	Joyce Adkins	Eric Hayes
	Lila Lloyd	Bobby Casale
	Patrick Gore	Angel Kant
	Dan Tarver	Roddy Mohler
	Barbara Mohler	Jerry Meeks
	Mark Wessels	Rosa McDonald
	Dorothy Pirrung	Jim Pirrung

Call to Order.

Mayor McDonald called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Invocation.

Wallace Shaw offered the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor McDonald led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of the approval of the January 7th, & January 14th, 2008 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Cameron, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved the January 7th, & January 14th, 2008 Council Minutes.

Attending Citizens and Their Business.

Joyce Adkins of 102 N. Ave. C, complained that she had not had any garbage service since Thanksgiving, 2007. She stated that service was poor and they were not full filling their contract.

Consideration of the approval of authorizing the Mayor to sign a contract with Gary Beverly employing him as City Manager.

On a motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Cameron, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved the Mayor to sign a contract with Gary Beverly employing him as City Manager.

Consideration of the approval of Ordinance No. 2008-2185, calling the Annual General Election for the City of Freeport at which the voters of said City residing in Wards A and C shall be permitted to vote for or against the candidates for Positions A and C on the City Council of the City of Freeport.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilwoman Garcia, with all present voting “aye”, Council approved Ordinance No. 2008-2185 calling the Annual General Election for the City of Freeport in which the voters of said City residing in Wards A and C shall be permitted to vote for or against the candidates for Positions A and C on the City Council of the City of Freeport.

Consideration of the approval of Ordinance No. 2008-2186 calling the Charter Amendment Election.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved Ordinance No. 2008-2186 calling the Charter Amendment Election.

Consideration of the approval of Ordinance No. 2008-2187, adding a section 32.00.4 to Chapter 32 of the said code providing for review in its final form by the Planning Commission of any ordinance affecting traffic or zoning.

On a motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Cameron, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved Ordinance No. 2008-2187, adding a section 32.00.4 to Chapter 32 of the said code providing for review in its final form by the Planning Commission of any ordinance affecting traffic or zoning.

Consideration of the approval of Ordinance No. 2008-2188, adding a section 32.00.4 to Chapter 32 of the said code providing for review in its final form by the Planning Commission of any ordinance affecting traffic or zoning.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting 3 to 2, Council approved Ordinance No. 2008-2188 adding a section 32.00.4 to Chapter 32 of the said code providing for review in its final form by the Planning Commission of any ordinance affecting traffic or zoning. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of Resolution No. 2008-2161, appointing Mary Talbert to the Senior Citizens Commission of said City.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 2008-2161, appointing Mary Talbert to the Senior Citizens Commission of said City.

Consideration of the approval of Resolution No. 2008-2162, approving publication of notice of intention to issue certificates of obligation and providing an effective date for Velasco Boulevard from 7th Street to Gulf Boulevard.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting 3 to 2, Council approved Gary Beverly’s recommendation to approve Resolution No. 2008-2162, approving publication of notice of intention to issue certificates of obligation and providing an effective date for Velasco Boulevard from 7th Street to Gulf Boulevard. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City’s interest at Block 2, Lot 28, Bridge Harbor Section 2, A0051 F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. 2190-0193-000, known as off Marlin Drive.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting 3 to 2, after a lengthy discussion, Council declined selling the City’s interest at Block 2, Lot 28, Bridge Harbor Section 2, A0051 F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. 2190-0193-000, known as off Marlin Drive. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City’s interest at Block 2, Lot 26, Bridge Harbor Section 2, Abstract 51 F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0191-000 known as off Marlin Drive.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting 3 to 2, after a lengthy discussion, Council declined selling the City’s interest at Block 2, Lot 26, Bridge Harbor Section 2, Abstract 51 F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0191-000 known as off Marlin Drive. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City's interest at Block 1, Lot 28, Bridge Harbor Sec. 2, F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0164- 000, known as off Marlin Drive.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting 3 to 2, after a lengthy discussion, Council declined selling the City's interest at Block 1, Lot 28, Bridge Harbor Sec. 2, F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0164- 000, known as off Marlin Drive. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City's interest at Block 2, Lot 16, Bridge Harbor Section 2, Abstract 51 F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0182-000, known as off Marlin Drive.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting 3 to 2, after a lengthy discussion, Council declined selling the City's interest at Block 2, Lot 16, Bridge Harbor Section 2, Abstract 51 F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0182-000, known as off Marlin Drive. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City's interest at Block 2, Lot 6, Bridge Harbor Section 2, Abstract 51, F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0172-000, known as off Marlin Drive.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting 3 to 2, after a lengthy discussion, Council declined selling the City's interest at Block 2, Lot 6, Bridge Harbor Section 2, Abstract 51, F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0172-000, known as off Marlin Drive. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City's interest at Block 3, Lot 7, Bridge Harbor Section 2, Abstract 51, F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0201-000, known as off Marlin Drive.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting 3 to 2, after a lengthy discussion, Council declined selling the City's interest at Block 3, Lot 7, Bridge Harbor Section 2, Abstract 51, F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0201-000, known as off Marlin Drive. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City's interest at Block 4, Lot 20, Bridge Harbor Section 2, Abstract 51, F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0246-000, known as off Marlin Drive.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting 3 to 2, after a lengthy discussion, Council declined selling the City's interest at Block 4, Lot 20, Bridge Harbor Section 2, Abstract 51, F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0246-000, known as off Marlin Drive. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City's interest at Block 2, Lot 15, Bridge Harbor Section No. 2, Abstract 51 F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0181-000, known as off Marlin Drive.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting 3 to 2, after a lengthy discussion, Council declined selling the City's interest at Block 2, Lot 15, Bridge Harbor Section No. 2, Abstract 51 F. J. Calvit, BCIC Division 8, Acct. No. 2190-0181-000, known as off Marlin Drive. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City's interest at Block 85, Lot 13-14, Velasco Townsite, Acct. No 8110-0858-000, known as 121-123 South Ave. F.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilwoman Garcia, with all present voting 3 to 2, Council declined selling the City's interest at Block 85, Lot 13-14, Velasco Townsite, Acct. No. 8110-0858-000, known as 121-123 South Ave. F. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City's interest at Block 6, Lot 26, Southview Garden S/D, Acct. No. 7750-0115-000, known as 818 W. 11th Street.

On a motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Saccomanno, with all present voting 3 to 2, Council declined selling the City's interest at Block 6 Lot 26, Southview Gardens S/D, Acct. No. 7750-0115-000, known as 818 W. 11th Street. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City's interest at Block 758, Lot 2, Velasco Townsite, Acct. No. 8110-3584-000, known as 1522 North Ave. M.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Cameron, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved selling the City's interest at Block 758, Lot 2, Velasco Townsite, Acct. 8110-3584-000, known as 1522 N. Ave. M.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City's interest at Block 718, Lot 17-18, Velasco Townsite, Acct. No. 8110-3118-000, known as 1209-1211 North Ave. P.

On a motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Saccomanno, with all present voting 3 to 2, Council declined selling the City's interest at Block 718, Lot 17-18, Velasco Townsite, Acct. No. 8110-3118-000, known as 1209-1211 North Ave. P. Mayor McDonald and Councilman Cameron opposed.

Elected Official Report

Councilman Saccomanno attended Main Street's last meeting. The committee is busy working on Mardi Gras Ball Festival and looking at possibilities of having a Farmers Market down town and craft show.

Councilwoman Garcia attended the Martin Luther King Parade. The day started with rain, but a well attended event.

Councilman Smith also attended the Martin Luther King Festival and thanked the Cities for their efforts and support.

Mayor McDonald and Gary Beverly attended a meeting on transportation issues, a proposed bus route, between Angleton and Freeport. He also attended a SBCA meeting, and was given a plaque for the City's participation.

Work Session

Discussion concerning Waste Management's fuel service charge.

Gary Beverly informed the public about the issues with Waste Management. The City has received promises that have not been kept. Waste Management had all kinds of reasons why they could not get their job done. Mr. Beverly advised Waste Management that they had until next Monday to get everything back in order, or the City will hire someone else to do the job and bill them. The City has received notification that Waste Management is planning to add a fuel service charge to their service. The new rate will be \$21.02 and \$10.40 for each additional cart. Gary Beverly advised them that they could have not chosen a worst time. He did communicate with Gary Bullard and the increase will be delayed for a month.

Stanley Burke suggested the City start a recycle service.

Larry Fansher reported that the Service Center has bins for paper and plastics and was opened Monday through Friday for the public.

Lila Lloyd said she had been using the bins for years.

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting "aye", the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Delia Munoz
City Secretary

Larry McDonald
Mayor

