

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City Council of the City of Freeport met on Monday, November 7th, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the Freeport Police Department, Municipal Court Room, 430 North Brazosport Boulevard, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

City Council: Norma Moreno Garcia
Michelle Kent
Fred Bolton
Nicolosa Mireles
Sandra Barbree

Staff: Jeff Pynes, City Manager
Gilbert Arispe, Asst. City Manager
Delia Munoz, City Secretary
Nat Hickey, Property Manager
Bob Welch, Finance Director
Ty Morrow, Chief of Police

Visitors: Annette Sanford
Gina Adams
Landis Adams
Lila Lloyd
Sandra Barnett
Jim Barnett
Dude Payne

Call to Order.

Mayor Norma Garcia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation.

A moment of silence was noted.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Norma Garcia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of approving the October 17th, 2011 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilwoman Mireles, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved the October 17th, 2011 Council Minutes.

Attending citizens and their business.

There were none.

Peoples's Choice Award presentation to the Freeport Fire/ EMS for their winning participation in the 2011 Freeport Haunted Museum.

Reagenda to the next subsequent meeting.

Proclamation for John Stanford, Jr.

Mayor Norma Garcia proclaimed February 8th to be "John Stanford Jr. Day" in the City of Freeport and dedicated the Freeport Fire and Emergency Medical Services Station I to John Stanford, Jr.

Consideration of setting December 5th, 2011 for a Joint Public Hearing with the Planning Commission to consider a proposed amendment to the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance of said City, codified as Chapter 155 of the Code of Ordinances of said City, adding provisions allowing a decorative fence in front yards, specifying regulations therefor and containing an exception for existing front yard fences.

On a motion by Councilwoman Kent, seconded by Councilwoman Mireles, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved setting December 5th, 2011 for a Joint Public Hearing with the Planning Commission to consider a proposed amendment to the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance of said City, codified as Chapter 155 of the Code of Ordinances of said City, adding provisions allowing a decorative fence in front yards, specifying regulations therefor and containing an exception for existing front yard fences.

Consideration of approving an engineering service agreement with John D. Mercer & Associates, Inc., for design of improvements to the Central Lift Station.

On a motion by Councilwoman Mireles, seconded by Councilman Bolton, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved Gilbert Arispe's recommendation to approve the engineering service agreement with John D. Mercer & Associates Inc. for design of improvements to the Central Lift Station.

Consideration of approving Ordinance 2011-2293 amending the budget for fiscal year 2011-2012.

On a motion by Councilman Bolton, seconded by Councilwoman Kent, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved Ordinance No. 2011-2293 amending the budget for fiscal year 2011-2012.

Consideration of signing the replats of Block 6, Lots 23 & 24, Southview Gardens Subdivision, known as Cortez and Garcia Subdivisions, 806 W. 11th Street.

On a motion by Councilwoman Mireles, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved signing the replats of Block 6, Lots 23 & 24, Southview Gardens Subdivision, known as Cortez and Garcia Subdivisions, 806 W. 11th Street.

Consideration of expending court funds to purchase 3 police radios.

On a motion by Councilwoman Barbree, seconded by Councilwoman Kent, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved Mr. Pynes' recommendation to expend court funds to purchase 3 police radios.

Consideration of canceling the December 19th, 2011 council meeting.

On a motion by Councilwoman Mireles, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved canceling the December 19th, 2011 council meeting.

Consideration of the approval of any action to be taken as a result of closed executive session.

No action taken.

Mayor Norma Garcia closed the formal session to open the executive session at 6:16 p.m.

Executive Session:

Section 551.071, Government Code

Consultation with City Attorney concerning pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers or other matter in which his duty to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551, Government Code:

- Removal of members on board and commissions.

Mayor Garcia closed the Executive Session and reconvened the open session at 7:03 p.m.

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilwoman Kent, seconded by Councilman Bolton, with all present voting "aye", the meeting adjourned 7:03 p.m.

Delia Munoz
City Secretary