

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Freeport City Council met on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., at the Municipal Court Room, Freeport Police Department, 430 North Brazosport Boulevard, Freeport Texas for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

City Council: Mayor Norma Moreno Garcia - absent  
Councilman Larry McDonald  
Councilman Fred Bolton  
Councilwoman Sandra Loeza  
Councilwoman Sandra Barbee

Staff: Jeff Pynes, City Manager  
Gilbert Arispe, Assistant City Manager  
Delia Munoz, City Secretary  
Wallace Shaw, City Attorney  
Nat Hickey, Property Manager  
Bob Welch, Finance Director  
Kola, Olayiwola, Building Inspector  
Brian Davis, Fire Chief  
Dan Pennington, Police Chief  
Larry Fansher, Park Director

Visitors: Lila Lloyd Lance Reaves  
Eric Hayes Jerry Meeks  
Darlene Weir

Call to order.

Mayor Pro Tem Fred Bolton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation.

Wallace Shaw offered the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Fred Bolton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of approving the November 18, 2014 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilman McDonald, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved the November 18, 2014 Council Minutes.

Attending citizens and their business.

There were none.

Consideration of a request from Will J. Brooks, Parade Co-Chairman of the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Committee (MLKCC) request permission, support and participation to close portions of the streets during the parade to be held on Monday, January 19, 2015. The parade will start at 11:00 a.m. at East Park and Fourth Street and continue along 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to Hwy. 288 B to the rally at the Freeport Municipal Park.

On a motion by Councilman McDonald, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved a request from Will J. Brooks, Parade Co-Chairman of the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Committee (MLKCC) request permission, support and participation to close portions of the streets during the parade to be held on Monday, January 19, 2015. The parade will start at 11:00 a.m. at East Park and Fourth Street and continue along 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to Hwy. 288 B to the rally at the Freeport Park. Consideration of approving and authorizing the City Manager to sign the agreement accepting a FEMA Grant FY 2014 Port Security Grant Program, EMW- 2014 -PU-APP-00458 for \$743,475.00 and there is a 25% match of \$247,825.00 that the City must contribute for a total of 991,300.00.

On a motion by Councilwoman Barbree, seconded by Councilwoman Loeza, with all present voting 2 to 2, motion failed to approve and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement accepting a FEMA Grant FY 2014 Port Security Grant Program, EMW- 2014 -PU-APP-00458 for \$743,475.00 and there is a 25% match of \$247,825.00 that the City must contribute for a total of \$991,300.00. Mayor Pro Tem Fred Bolton and Councilman McDonald opposed.

Consideration of approving an Ordinance No. 2014-2078 amendment to CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric's rate schedule for lighting services; establishing an effective date for the amended tariff; finding the City's rate case expenses reasonable; and requiring reimbursement of the City's legal and consultant expenses.

On a motion by Councilwoman Barbree, seconded by Councilwoman Loeza, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved Ordinance No. 2014-2078 amendment to CenterPoint EnergyHouston Electric's rate schedule for lighting services; establishing an effective date for the amended tariff; finding the City's rate case expenses reasonable; and requiring reimbursement of the City's legal and consultant expenses.

Consideration of approving and setting a public hearing date for the purpose of determining whether or not the structures located on hereinafter described real property located within the corporate limits of the City fail to meet the standards set forth in the Standard Code and is/are therefore "unsafe" as that term is defined in the Standard Code.

This item reagendaed.

Mayor Pro Tem Fred Bolton opened the Work Session at 6:10 p.m.

Work Session

Powerpoint presentation of homes/structures that the Building Official has identified with reasonable grounds as failing to meet the standards set forth in the Standard Unsafe Building Abatement Code adopted by section 150.025 and 150.026 of the Code of Ordinances of said City (hereinafter “the Standard Code”) and is/are therefore “unsafe” as that term is defined in the City Ordinance.

Kola Olayiwola Building Inspector presented a Powerpoint presentation on the vacant dilapidated houses:

1003 West 11 Street; letter send to Frazier Charlene; 61 outstanding liens; point of collapsing.  
304 South Front Street; new owner as of 7/17/2013 Bosley Misty, no liens on record.  
410 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street; letters send to Ella Mae Williams, delinquent taxes of \$1,790.78  
619 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street, letters send to David Pineda, 4 outstanding mowing liens.  
623 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street; letters send to Dennis Ashley, 10 outstanding mowing liens.  
3434 Bowie; letters to Dennis Webster Mckay, two story building,  
615 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street; letters to Avilla Velma Martinez, outstanding liens, storage building  
307 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street; letters to Sylvia Edwards, two outstanding lines,

The average cost estimates for demolition on a house with asbestos is \$15,675 and without asbestos is \$5,575. Mr. Shaw advised Mr. Kola that lien owners be notified as well as property owners of the structures.

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilman McDonald, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting “Aye”, Mayor Pro Tem Fred Bolton adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

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Mayor Norma M. Garcia  
City of Freeport, Texas

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City Secretary – Delia Munoz  
City of Freeport, Texas