

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 30th, 2015 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: Mayor Norma Moreno Garcia
Councilman Johnathan Sublet
Councilman Fred Bolton
Councilwoman Sandra Loeza
Councilwoman Sandra Barbree

Staff: Jeff Pynes, City Manager
Gilbert Arispe, Assistant City Manager
Wallace Shaw, City Attorney
Delia Munoz, City Secretary
Nat Hickey, Property Manager

Visitors: Bobby Fuller
Troy Brimage
Sam Reyna
Lesa Girouard
Keith Stumbaugh
Darlene Weir
Melanie Oldham
Nicole Mireles
Margaret McMahan
Edward T. Garcia
Ruth Renobato

Call to order.

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

Invocation.

Wallace Shaw offered the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Norma Moreno Garcia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attending citizens and their business.

Edward T. Garcia of 1924 North Ave. G., stated that he has recommendations for the Charter Review Commission and requested to have Section 3.06 and 5.05 on the Charter Review Commission agenda.

Consideration of approving November 16, 2015 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilwoman Loeza, seconded by Councilman Bolton, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved the November 16, 2015 Council Minutes.

Consideration of approving Ordinance No. 2015- 2100 amending Division (B) of Section 97.04 of the Code of Ordinances of said City to add thereto a new item, to be known as item (7), providing that the name of the street shown on the plat of the Freeport Townsite as Cherry Street shall hereafter be known as Martin Luther King Boulevard.

Bobby Fuller of Texas Port Ministries, 1103 Cherry Street, Freeport requested Council not take any action, but to reconsider co-naming 2nd Street/Martin Luther King Boulevard, a better prominent location.

On a motion by Councilwoman Loeza, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved to reagenda.

Consideration of accepting a sealed proposal for solid waste collection services and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to negotiate a contract with the successful proposer.

Waste Management \$25.85 – 3 year contract.

Waste Connections \$28.00 - 3 year contract.

On a motion by Councilwoman Barbree, seconded by Councilman Sublet, with all present voting "Aye", Council approved to reagenda for further study.

Consideration of setting a public hearing date to consider designating the following described real property located within the corporate boundaries of the City as a reinvestment zone for the purpose of entering into an agreement with the owner or owners thereof granting a tax abatement:

Lot 18, Block 1, Riverside Terrace, a subdivision in the City of Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas according to the map or plat of said subdivision on file in the on file in the plat records of said county, known locally as 1935 N. Ave. G., Freeport, Texas.

On a motion by Councilwoman Loeza, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved setting January 4, 2016 for a public hearing date to consider designating the following described real property located within the corporate boundaries of the City as a reinvestment zone for the purpose of entering into an agreement with the owner or owners thereof granting a tax abatement: Lot 18, Block 1, Riverside Terrace, a subdivision in the City of Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas according to the map or plat of said subdivision on file in the on file in the plat records of said county, known locally as 1935 N. Ave. G., Freeport, Texas.

Consideration of approving and authorizing the City Manager to expend funds for designing and engineering for a new Recreation/Sports complex.

City Manager requested roughly \$40,000.00 for designing and engineering for a new Recreation Sports complex.

Melanie Oldham requested a public meeting be held to discuss in more detail the new Recreation/Sports Complex.

Edward T. Garcia asked if Riverside Park had been sold and stated that it would be more productive to use funds for sewer and street infrastructure.

Nicolas Mireles asked if the location was behind the Salvation Army.

Troy Brimage commented that the City has street infrastructure issues but that both projects can be done.

Councilman Sublet stated that details can be worked out. He spent time with the children from Velasco Elementary and O.A Fleming and are asking “when” the new complex will start. He commented that 70% are school age children, and it is a good investment for our children.

Keith Stumbaugh stated that it is not a bad idea, but there is street flooding, sewer backup and feels that infrastructure should be first and then the Recreational/Sport Complex.

On a motion by Councilman Bolton, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting “Aye”, Council unanimously approved and authorized the City Manager to expend funds for designing and engineering for a new Recreation/Sports complex.

Consideration of approving and authorizing the City Manager to expend funds for a city drainage study with LJA Engineering Inc.

On a motion by Councilwoman Loeza, seconded by Councilman Bolton, with all present voting “Aye”, Council unanimously approved to reagenda.

Consideration of the approval of any action to be taken as a result of closed Executive Session.

No action taken

Work Session:

Regarding City of Freeport new Recreation Center/Sports complex.

Discussion held on item 9.

Mayor Norma Garcia closed the formal session and opened the Executive Session at 6:46 p.m.

Executive Session:

Section 551.071, Government Code

Consultation with City Attorney concerning pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers or other matters 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, to wit:

- Port East End Commercial Truck Traffic

Mayor Norma Garcia closed the Executive Session and reconvened the Formal Session at 6:52 to adjourn.

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilman Bolton, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting "Aye", Mayor Norma M. Garcia adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Mayor, Norma Moreno Garcia
City of Freeport, Texas

City Secretary, Delia Munoz
City of Freeport, Texas