

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 21st, 2016 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 Larry L. McDonald  
Councilman Fred Bolton – Absent  
Councilwoman Nicole Mireles  
Councilwoman Sandra Barbree

Staff:

Jeff Pynes, City Manager  
Gilbert Arispe, Assistant City Manager  
Julian “Pat” Taylor, Asst. City Attorney  
Delia Munoz, City Secretary  
Dan Pennington, Police Chief  
Bob Welch, Finance Director

Visitors:

Eric Hayes	Melanie Oldham
Manning Rollerson	Douglas Domingues
Moby Burrige	Evelyn Buridge
Lila Lloyd	Margaret McMahan
Keith Stumbaugh	Roy Yates
Sandra Barnett	James Barnett
Lila Diehl	Angie Williams
Ruben Renobato	Ruth Renobato
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Call to order.

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

Invocation.

Chief Dan Pennington offered the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Norma Moreno Garcia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attending citizens and their business.

Public Appearances:

Members of the public are allowed to address the City Council at this time. Note, specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to an inquiry made, but any deliberation, discussion, or decision with respect to any subject about which the inquiry was made shall be limited to a proposal to place such subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting for which notice is provided in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act unless said notice appears herein. The public is reminded that there is a (4) minute time limit as approved by City Council on June 21, 2010.

Manning Rollerson complained that he had submitted an open records request three months ago and had not received it.

Ruben Renobato of 1507 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, stated that an open records had been submitted and the City Secretary informed the requester that we did not have a written policy for placing items on the City Council Agendas and that a one page was attached to the request. He requested that on the next subsequent meeting council implement a policy and procedure as to place items on the agenda.

Lila Lloyd of 1620 North T, responded to the question from the opinion page “why do the property owners have to give the port money”? The land owners must pay property taxes to the Brazos River Harbor Navigation District. She pays taxes to both places and doesn’t want to be a member of the Brazos River Harbor Navigation District and forced off her my own property. She feels that City Government needs to commit to life as priority or it will continue to be diminished by outside forces.

Doug Domingues of 1314 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street commended the Chief of Police and two Police Officers that assisted him in a car break down situation. He stated that it was not clear what was voted on the July 11, 2016 council meeting in reference to the new city manager contract. He asked Council to place this item on the next council agenda for rescinding.

Melanie Oldham of 922 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Street complained about an Open Records Request for any and all information on the City of Freeport Redevelopment Authority.

Consideration of approving November 7, 2016 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilman McDonald, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting “Aye”, Council unanimously approved the November 7, Council Minutes.

Consideration of approving Ordinance No. 2016-2122 amending the budget for the Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

On a motion by Councilwoman Barbree, seconded by Mayor Norma Garcia, with all present voting “Aye”, Council unanimously approved Ordinance No. 2016-2122 amending the budget for the Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

Consideration of approving Ordinance No. 2016-2128 repealing item two of Ordinance No. 2016-2113, which amended Section 71.51 of the Code of Ordinances of said City, to authorize a stop sign on North Ave. D, between Quintana and McNeil Streets, removing such location from Section 71.51 and directing the City Manager of said City to remove any stop sign on Ave. D, between Quintana and McNeil Streets, placed thereon pursuant to said Ordinance No. 2016-2113.

On a motion by Councilwoman Mireles, seconded by Councilman McDonald, with all present voting “Aye”, Council unanimously approved Ordinance No. 201-2128 repealing item two of Ordinance No. 2016-2113, which amended Section 71.51 of the Code of Ordinances of said City, to authorize a stop sign on North Ave. D, between Quintana and McNeil Streets, removing such location from Section 71.51 and directing the City Manager of said City to remove any stop sign on Ave. D, between Quintana and McNeil Streets, placed thereon pursuant to said Ordinance No. 2016-2113.

Consideration of cancelling December 19, 2016 Council Meeting.

On a motion by Councilman McDonald, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting “Aye”, Council unanimously approved to cancel the December 19, 2016 Council Meeting.

Consideration of taking action on any item discussed in Executive Session.

Mayor Norma M. Garcia closed the Formal Session and opened the Executive Session at 6:19 p.m.

Mayor Norma Moreno Garcia reconvened the meeting at 6:26 p.m. No action taken.

Executive Session

Section 551.072, Government Code

Deliberations concerning the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property when deliberation in an open meeting might have a detrimental effect on the position of the City Council in negotiations with a third person, to wit;

- Regarding contractual negotiations for a new Recycling and Bulky Trash Deployment Center.

*No action taken*

Mayor Norma Moreno Garcia reconvened the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilwoman Barbree, seconded by Councilman McDonald, with all present voting “Aye”, Mayor Norma M. Garcia adjourned the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

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Mayor Norma Moreno Garcia  
City of Freeport, Texas

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Delia Munoz, City Secretary  
City of Freeport, Texas

