

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City Council of the City of Freeport met for a Budget Workshop on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Freeport Police Department, Municipal Court Room, 430 North Brazosport Boulevard, for the purpose of considering the 2017-2018 budget proposals:

City Council

Mayor Troy T. Brimage
Councilman Larry L. McDonald
Councilman Brooks Bass
Councilwoman Nicole Mireles
Councilman Roy E. Yates

Staff:

Jeff Pynes, City Manager
Gilbert Arispe, Assistant City Manager
Delia Munoz, City Secretary
Lonie Kershaw, Human Resources
Nat Hickey, Property Manager
Bob Welch, Finance Director
Kim Townsend, Parks Supervisor

Visitors:

Sam Reyna Sabrina Brimage
Desiree Pearson Ruben Renobato

Call to order.

Mayor Troy T. Brimage called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Work Session:

Discuss and review proposed fiscal year budget 2017-2018.

City Manager Jeff Pynes announced the Tax Rate hearing scheduled for tomorrow; August 17, 2017 and the second Tax Rate hearing August 24, 2017. The approval of Budget and the Tax Rate on September 5, 2017.

The proposed 2017-2018 Capital is \$1,238,505.00 and the infrastructure is \$2,256,000,00. Recommending the current rate of .628005 per \$100 of valuation.

Proposing a 3% Cost of Living Adjustment flat amount to be distributed late in December to employees.

Councilman Yates asked if there were a lot of employees that worked over time. Mr. Pynes said no, Police Department at times, but not an exorbitant amount.

Mr. Pynes proposed changes are contracting an engineer - \$50,000 and modifying the splash pad and adding Arrington Park where there are more houses and duplexes. Capital items are removing museum floor replacement - \$28,500 and floating ceiling - \$30,000.

Reviewed the 2017-2018 Infrastructure Summary list.

Mr. Pynes did announce that the City did have a Take Home policy in place for the Police Department and City. A 10 miles radius from the City limits. He will get back with Larry Fansher on the gas and wear & tear of the vehicles.

Larry Fansher asked for the last 3 years of pay increases. Mr. Pynes said he would get that information to him.

There being no further comments or questions, Mayor Troy T. Brimage closed the Budget Workshop.

Adjourn.

On a motion by Councilman McDonald, seconded by Councilwoman Mireles, with all present voting "Aye", Mayor Troy T. Brimage adjourned the meeting at 6:12 p.m.

Mayor Troy T. Brimage
City of Freeport, Texas

City Secretary Delia Munoz
City of Freeport, Texas