

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City Council of Freeport, Texas met on Friday, March 20, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. at the Freeport City Hall, 2nd Floor 200 West 2nd Street, Freeport Texas for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

City Council: Mayor Brooks Bass: Present Via Teleconference
Councilman Jerry Cain: Present Via Teleconference
Councilman Ken Green: Present
Councilwoman Sandra Loeza: Present Via Teleconference
Councilman Roy E. Yates: Present

Staff: Tim Kelty, City Manager
Stephanie Russell, Assistant City Manager
Betty Wells, City Secretary
Chris Duncan, City Attorney
Laura Tolar, Assistant City Secretary/ Special Projects Coordinator
LeAnn Strahan, Freeport Destination Director
Clarisa Molina, Administrative Assistant

Visitors By Teleconference:

Eric Hayes	Jessie Parker
Pamela Tilley	Lila Diehl
Derrick Edwards	Douglas Dominguez

Call to order.

Mayor Brooks Bass called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Citizen's Comments

Eric Hayes asked council how will postponing the election affect future elections and time frames for the future positions? City Attorney Chris Duncan said that the Governor passed on March 18, 2020 and suspended the Election Code which will allow cities to delay elections until November 3, 2020. Mr. Duncan said that people who are in office now and hold a position, their term will continue until the election in November. The candidates, whether incumbent or newly elected in November, will serve their term until the next election in May of 2022. Mr. Duncan said that this does not extend the filing period, nor open it up for new candidates to file. There will be a new Election Notice signed by the Mayor closer to time of election.

REGULAR SESSION

Consideration and possible action to adopt Ordinance No.2020-2597 an Ordinance Ordering the postponement of the 2020 General Election from the May 2, 2020 Uniform Election Date to the Regular General Election Date of November 3, 2020 in response to COVID- 19 Pandemic.

Mayor Bass presented the Ordinance No. 2020-2597 ordering the postponement of the 2020 General Election from the May 2, 2020 Uniform Election Date to the Regular General Election Date of November 3, 2020 in response to COVID- 19 Pandemic.

On a motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Cain, with all present voting “Aye”, 5-0, Council unanimously approved Ordinance No.2020-2597 an Ordinance Ordering the postponement of the 2020 General Election from the May 2, 2020 Uniform Election Date to the Regular General Election Date of November 3, 2020 in response to COVID- 19 Pandemic.

Consideration and possible action for Ordinance No. 2020-2598 postponing the May 2, 2020 City Charter Election until November 3, 2020.

Mayor Bass presented Ordinance No. 2020-2598 Consideration and possible action for Ordinance No. 2020-2598 postponing the May 2, 2020 City Charter Election until November 3, 2020.

On a motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Cain, with all present voting “Aye”, 5-0, Council unanimously approved Ordinance No.2020-2598 postponing the May 2, 2020 City Charter Election until November 3, 2020.

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilwoman Loeza, seconded by Councilman Green, with all present voting “Aye”, Mayor Brooks Bass adjourned the meeting at 3:47 PM.

Mayor, Brooks Bass
City of Freeport, Texas

City Secretary, Betty Wells
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