

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

CITY OF FREEPORT

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City of Freeport, met in a meeting on Tuesday, February 19, 2008 at 6:01 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: Larry L. McDonald
 Clan A. Cameron
 Jim Saccomanno
 John Smith, III
 Norma M. Garcia

Staff: Gary Beverly, City Manager
 Wallace Shaw, City Attorney
 Delia Munoz, City Secretary
 Nat Hickey, Property Manager
 Jeff Pynes, Police Chief
 Larry Ellis, Asst. Building Inspector
 Larry Fansher, Public Works Director
 Mary Stotler, Main Street Director

Visitors: Roddy Mohler Barbara Mohler
 Lila Lloyd Pixie Floyd
 Rosa McDonald Eric Hayes
 Sandra Wood-Wicke Loren Hayes
 Wright Gore, III

Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDonald at 6:01 p.m.

Invocation.

Wallace Shaw offered the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor McDonald led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of the approval of the February 4th, 2008 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Saccomanno, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved the February 4th, 2008 minutes.

Attending Citizens and Their Business.

There were no comments

Consideration of the approval of Resolution No. 2008-2164 authorizing the Mayor and the City Secretary of said City to execute and attest, the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services.

On a motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Cameron, with all present voting “aye”, Council approved Resolution No. 2008-2164 authorizing the Mayor and the City Secretary of said City to execute and attest, the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services.

Consideration of the approval of Ordinance No. 2008-2190 ratifying and confirming the previous action of the City Council taken by Ordinance No. 1517 of said City, vacating, abandoning and closing a portion of the dedicated street in the Freeport Townsite within said City in Brazoria County, known as Brazos Boulevard, Right-of-Way contiguous to Block 114, East ½ of Lot 4 and all of Lot 5, Freeport Townsite, Brazoria County, Texas to the Cundieff’s Family Partnership.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilwoman Garcia, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved Ordinance No. 2008-2190 ratifying and confirming the previous action of the City Council taken by Ordinance No. 1517 of said City, vacating, abandoning and closing a portion of the dedicated street in the Freeport Townsite within said City in Brazoria County, known as Brazos Boulevard, Right-of-Way contiguous to Block 114, East ½ of Lot 4 and all of Lot 5, Freeport Townsite, Brazoria County, Texas to the Cundieff’s Family Partnership.

Consideration of the approval of ratifying the City Managers action of establishing an Amnesty Program for outstanding Municipal Court Warrants.

Gary Beverly stated that the Police Department will be working with the City Marshall’s Office on a warrant amnesty program. The warrant amnesty period is from February 18th through February 28th, 2008.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting “aye”, Council approved ratifying the City Managers action to establishing an Amnesty Program for outstanding Municipal Court Warrants.

Consideration of the approval of a request from Main Street to hold a farmers market to be called the Green Market beginning Saturday, April 19, 2008 and continuing through the fall, hours will be Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to noon and Tuesday from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and closing Broad Street between Cherry Street and the alley behind Park Ave. to hold the market during those hours.

On a motion by Councilwoman Garcia, seconded by Councilman Smith, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved a request from Main Street to hold a farmers market to be called the “Green Market” beginning Saturday, April 19, 2008 and continuing through the fall, hours will be Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to noon and Tuesday from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and closing Broad Street between Cherry Street and the alley behind Park Ave. to hold the market during those hours.

Elected Official Report

Councilman Smith stated that the Ground Breaking Ceremony for the Marina took place on February 6th, 2008. A very well attended reception.

Councilman Cameron asked the Council to review the Dog Ordinance. He had a discussion with the Chief Pynes about an officer having to shoot a large dog.

Work Session

Administration Report

Gary Beverly informed Council that on February 26th – 28th, 2008 the City will be in process of installing a new phone system. There will be no interruption of the 911 system. He attended the Fire Department Annual Banquet on February 15th, 2008. Basketball Tournament this Friday and Saturday at Freeport Intermediate School. The Ave “H” street remains on high priority, pending good weather, 9th Street almost complete. Phase II Beautification project has started on Hwy. 288. He is in the process of hiring a financial director, hopefully before budget.

Mayor McDonald closed the work session and opened the Executive Session at 6:18 p.m.

Executive Session:

A. Section 551.071, Government Code

Consultation with the 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 of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551, Government Code, to wit:

- (1) Port Freeport

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Saccomanno, with all present voting “aye”, Council adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Delia Munoz
City Secretary

Larry L. McDonald
Mayor