

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City of Freeport, met in a regular meeting on Monday, June 2nd, 2008, 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: Larry L. McDonald
 Clan A. Cameron
 Jim Saccomanno
 Ron Wise
 Norma M. Garcia

Staff: Gary Beverly, City Manager
 Wallace Shaw, City Attorney
 Delia Munoz, City Secretary
 Nat Hickey, Property Manager
 Larry Fansher, Public Works Director
 Jeff Pynes, Chief of Police
 John Stanford, Fire Chief
 Pinkey Hartline, Golf Course
 Mary Stotler, Main Street Director

Visitors: Pixie Floyd Roy Yates
 Edna Allan Eileen Koenig
 Roddy Mohler Wright Gore, III
 Richard Turner Dan Tarver
 Sandra W. Wicke Judy Schaefer
 Larry Schaefer Brenda Laird
 Bobby J. Casale Angel Kant
 Jim Pirrung Dorothy Pirrung
 Jerry Meeks Eric Hayes
 Fred Bolton Danny Yates

Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor McDonald at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation.

Wallace Shaw offered the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor McDonald led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of the approval of the May 19th, 2008 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilwoman Garcia, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved the May 19th, 2008 Council Meeting.

Attending Citizens and Their Business.

Jim Pirrung discussed an article on the Facts newspaper on sailboats verses powerboats. He asked that Council put this report on the work session on the next subsequent meeting.

Bobby J. Casale attended the County Commissioners Court workshop. He said if the County would have spent at least a million each year, the grounds would have been in better shape. He asked Council not to indebt the tax payers and not endorse the proposed program for the Brazoria County Fairgrounds facility.

Pixie Floyd thanked Council for their new speakers.

Wright Gore, III thanked City Manager and City Secretary for the complete council packet on the City’s on the website.

Angela Kant requested to see marina plans. She felt that there wasn’t enough policing in her ward. She observed a vendor selling alcohol and food at Bryan Beach.

Public Hearing: 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 tax abatement:

26:22 acres out of a 500 acre tract recorded in Volume 506, page 396 of the Deed Records of Brazoria County, Texas, out of the Maurice Henry 1/4 League, Abstract 74, said 26.22 acres being known locally as 200 North Navigation Boulevard, (Freeport Welding), Freeport, Texas.

Mayor McDonald opened the public hearing at 6:10 p.m. Mayor McDonald read out the described real property located within the corporate boundaries of the City.

Mayor McDonald asked for comments from the attendance and staff. There being no questions or comments, Mayor McDonald closed the public hearing at 6:11 p.m.

Consideration of the approval of Ordinance No. 2008-2202 designating additional improvements to land located within the incorporated limits of said City as a reinvestment zone to be known as Freeport Welding & Fabricating, Inc., # 2 reinvestment zone and providing for its initial term and the renewal thereof.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Wise, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved Ordinance No. 2008-2202 designating additional improvements to land located within the incorporated limits of said City as a reinvestment zone to be known as Freeport Welding & Fabricating, Inc. # 2 reinvestment zone and providing for its initial term and the renewal thereof.

Consideration of the approval of Resolution No. 2008-2170 setting the rate to be charged by taxicabs operating within the City.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Wise, with all present voting ‘aye”, Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 2008-2170 setting the rate of an additional 0.25 to the mile to be charged by taxicabs operating within the City.

Consideration of the approval of setting a public hearing to consider designation of the reinvestment zone and entering a tax abatement agreement for Concepts West Logistic Center, 102 West 8th Street, Freeport, Texas.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Saccomanno, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved setting July 7th, 2008 for a public hearing to consider designation of the reinvestment zone and entering a tax abatement agreement for Concepts West Logistic Center, 102 W. 8th Street, Freeport, Texas.

Consideration of the approval of allowing the Freeport’s Host Lion Club to construct and pay for the Freeport Municipal Park kitchen.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Saccomanno, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved the Freeport’s Host Lion Club request to construct a ticket booth as an extension to the Freeport Municipal Park kitchen.

Consideration of the approval of signing an Interlocal Agreement with Brazosport Independent School District to utilize their buses for local trips.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilwoman Garcia, with all present voting “aye”, Council approved Mr. Fansher’s recommendation to sign an Interlocal Agreement with Brazosport Independent School District to utilize their buses for local trips.

Consideration of the approval of signing a replat on Block 807, Lots 11, 12, and 12A, Velasco Townsite, known as 1802 North Ave. B., Freeport, Texas.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Saccomanno, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved signing a replat on Block 807, Lots 11, 12, and 12A, Velasco Townsite, with the correction of 1802 North Ave. M., Freeport, Texas.

Consideration of the approval of signing a replat on Block 502, Lots 15 & 16, Velasco Townsite, known as 9 North Ave. B., Freeport, Texas for Habitat for Humanity.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Saccomanno, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved signing a replat on Block 502, Lots, 15 & 16, Velasco Townsite, known as 9 North Ave. B., Freeport, Texas for Habitat for Humanity.

Elected Official Report

Councilman Saccomanno attended a Main Street meeting on May 20th, 2008. The committee is working on the Summer Time Blues festival for August. Union Pacific is looking at removing the railroad bridge. The Coast Guard, Historical Commission, and Texas Historical Commission met to discuss the historical significant of the bridge.

Mayor McDonald attended a Planning Commission and Port Freeport meeting. He thanked the staff for wishing him a Happy Birthday on May 28th, 2008.

Mayor McDonald opened the work session at 6:28 p.m.

Work Session

Discussion concerning a Police Commissioner Program by Chief Pynes.

Chief Pynes introduce the Police Commissioner Program. Each ward would have a representative for the purpose of preventing crime.

Discussion concerning budget workshop dates for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.

Mr. Beverly advised Council's workshop be held on July 23rd & July 24th, 2008.

Mayor McDonald closed the work session and opened the Executive Session at 6:45 p.m.

Executive Session

A. 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 of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551, Government Code, to wit;

(1) Marina

B. Section 551.074, Government Code

Deliberations concerning the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, to wit:

(1) City Manager

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilwoman Garcia, with all present voting “aye”, the meeting was adjourned at 10:28 p.m.

Delia Munoz
City Secretary

Larry L. McDonald
Mayor