# **City of Freeport**

## CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION FREEPORT MUSEUM 311 E. PARK FREEPORT, TEXAS

### **AGENDA**

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Review Commission of the City of Freeport will meet in a regular meeting on Tuesday, November 8th, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. at the Freeport Museum, 311 E. Park, Freeport Texas, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

Charter Review Members:

Sandra W. Wicke - Chairman

Dorothy Pirrung

Mingo Marquez, Jr. - Vice Chairman

Jason Thompson

Lila Lloyd - Secretary

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Consideration of approving the minutes of November 1st, 2011.
- 3. Consideration of approving the recommended language from Mr. Shaw on Section 4.02 Police Department and Section 4.05 Municipal Court, and Section 9.14.
- 4. Discuss and schedule next meeting.

# Adjourn

NOTE: ITEMS NOT NECESSARY DISCUSSED IN THE ORDER THEY APPEAR ON THE AGENDA. THE COUNCIL, AT ITS DISCRETION MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY OR ALL OF THE ITEMS AS LISTED.

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Delia Munoz, City Secretary
City of Freeport, Texas

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Charter Review Commission met in a regular session on Tuesday, November 1st., 2011 at the Freeport Museum, 311 E. Park, Freeport, Texas for the purpose of on considering the following agenda item:

Charter Review Members:

Sandra W. Wicke - Chairman

Dorothy Pirrung

Mingo Marquez, Jr. - Vice Chairman - Absent

Jason Thompson

Lila Lloyd – Secretary

Visitors:

Jeff Pynes, City Manager Delia Munoz, City Secretary

Steve Epperley, Asst. Chief of Police

Jim Pirrung Joyce Adkins

#### Call to Order.

Chairman Sandra W. Wicke opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Consideration of approving the minutes of October 24th, 2011.

On a motion by Jason Thompson, seconded by Dorothy Pirrung, with all present voting "aye", the committee approved the minutes of October 24th, 2011.

<u>Discussion by Mr. Pynes regarding the City Marshal position and other issues relating to the Charter.</u>

Mr. Pynes read out the proposed amendments to the Charter Review and the City's Attorney's suggested ballot language.

On Section 405(f) Mr. Shaw recommended changing "shall to may".

"The City Manager may appoint and, when necessary for the welfare of the City, remove Marshals for the Municipal Court, but the number of and salary for each Municipal Court Marshal shall be fixed by the City Council".

Joyce Adkins opposed and stated that there would be no checks and/or balancing of law, judge, or people. Mr. Pynes stated that a dedicated officer to serve warrants would be good policy and procedure, under the supervision of the Chief of Police.

Steve Epperley stated that a warrant officer is needed; that the courts have a massive amount of warrants to serve.

On Section 9.14 Contingent appropriation, the committee asked for clarification on the wording on reserving in an amount of not more than (5%) of the budget.

These items were reagendaed.

Discuss and schedule next meeting.

The Committee scheduled the next meeting to Tuesday, November 8th, 2011.

## Adjourn

On a motion by Jason Thompson, seconded by Dorothy Pirrung, with present voting "aye". the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Sandra W. Wicke - Chairman

Lila Lloyd - Secretary