

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Freeport City Council met on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., at the Freeport Court Room, Freeport Police Department, 430 North Brazosport Boulevard, Freeport Texas, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

City Council: Mayor Norma Moreno Garcia
Councilman Larry McDonald
Councilman Fred Bolton
Councilwoman Sandra Loeza
Councilwoman Sandra Barbree

Staff: Jeff Pynes City Manager
Gilbert Arispe, Assistant City Manager
Delia Munoz, City Secretary
Wallace Shaw, City Attorney
Nat Hickey, Property Manager
Brian Davis, Fire Chief
Raymond Garivey, Police Captain

Visitors: Evelyn Burrige Moby Burrige
Annette Sanford Jerry Meeks
Roy Yates Christi Mercado
Eric Hayes Lila Diehl
Manning Rollerson Michael Payne
Peter Thrasher David Schoch

Call to order.

Mayor Norma M. Garcia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation.

Wallace Shaw offered the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Norma M. Garcia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of approving the January 5, 2015 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilwoman Barbree, seconded by Councilman McDonald, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved the January 5, 2015 Council Minutes.

Attending citizens and their business.

Manning Rollerson stated he was paying \$600.00 to rent a house that had no safety equipment and the condition of the house was deplorable. He also stated that police officers need to have body cameras to protect themselves as well as the citizens.

Consideration of approving and releasing the City of Freeport trust property on Block 37, Lots 8-10, NW 13 ft. of Lot 11 Velasco Townsite, 620 South Ave. D., Id. 8110-0408-000.

No action taken.

Consideration of approving Resolution No. 2015-2458 authorizing the Mayor to execute and the City Secretary to attest a License granting to Avanti Investments, L.L.C., the exclusive use of a portion of the dedicated and opened public street in the Velasco Townsite, within said City, known as Perry Street, adjoining the southeasterly boundary line of Block 663 of said Townsite.

On a motion by Councilman Bolton, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 2015-2458 authorizing the Mayor to execute and the City Secretary to attest a License granting to Avanti Investments, L.L.C., the exclusive use of a portion of the dedicated and opened public street in the Velasco Townsite, within said City, known as Perry Street, adjoining the southeasterly boundary line of Block 663 of said Townsite.

Consideration of approving Resolution No. 2015-2459 a request from the Brazoria County Clerks-Election Division to support and to use our early voting location as one of the Voting Centers.

On a motion by Councilman McDonald, seconded by Councilwoman Loeza, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 2015-2459 a request from the Brazoria County Clerks-Election Division to support and to use our early voting location as one of the Voting Centers.

Consideration of approving Ordinance No. 2015-2079 abandoning the unopened and unused right-of-way for the 500 Block of East Fourth Street shown on the plat of the Freeport Townsite as the right-of-way between Block 3 and 4 of said Townsite.

On a motion by Councilman Bolton, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting 4 to 1, Council approved Ordinance No. 2015-2079 abandoning the unopened and unused right-of-way for the 500 Block of East Fourth Street shown on the plat of the Freeport Townsite as the right-of-way between Block 3 and 4 of said Townsite. Councilman McDonald opposed.

Consideration of approving Ordinance No. 2015-2080 designating and establishing an Industrial District to be known as the Freeport LNG Industrial District; prescribing the form and substance of an industrial District Contract and the terms upon which the City will treat with the owners of land within such industrial district; Ratifying and confirming the execution and attestation of such contract by the Mayor and City Secretary, respectively and the delivery of certified copies of such contract by the Mayor to the other parties thereto.

On a motion by Councilwoman Loeza, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved Ordinance No. 2015-2080 designating and establishing an Industrial District to be known as the Freeport LNG Industrial District; prescribing the form and substance of an industrial District Contract and the terms upon which the City will treat with the owners of land within such industrial district; Ratifying and confirming the execution and attestation of such contract by the Mayor and City Secretary, respectively and the delivery of certified copies of such contract by the Mayor to the other parties thereto.

Consideration of approving Ordinance No. 2015-2081 abandoning as a public Right-of-Way the unopened and unused fifty foot Right of Way between Jones Road and Lafitte Street shown on the plat on the Brazos Coast Investment Company Subdivision, Division 14, and described in Exhibit A.

Councilman Bolton requested more research.

No action taken.

Consideration of approving a reimbursement agreement for City of Freeport Water and Sewer Line extension and connection to Freeport LNG Pretreatment facility.

On a motion by Councilwoman Barbree, seconded by Councilman McDonald, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved a reimbursement Ordinance agreement for City of Freeport Water and Sewer Line extension and connection to Freeport LNG Pretreatment facility.

Consideration of approving and authorizing the City Manager to expend funds for downtown lighting.

Mr. Jeff Pynes represented to Council a rough drawing of pole fixtures that are to be placed downtown.

On a motion by Councilwoman Barbree, seconded by Councilman McDonald, with all present voting "Aye", Council unanimously approved and authorized the City Manager to expend funds (\$148,097) with Facility Solutions Group for downtown lighting.

Consideration of authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Praxair and Schintech for construction of a water line for potable water.

No action taken.

Consideration of taken action on any items discussed in Executive Session.

No action taken.

Work Session:

Regarding a Sport Complex.

Mr. Pynes presented to Council a conceptual layout of a Recreation Center/Sportsplex. The LJA Engineering design includes a jogging trail, soccer field, gym facility, concession stands, rest rooms, batting cage, swimming pool, basketball courts, and parking, at an estimate of of \$12,000,000.

Mayor Garcia closed the formal session and opened the Executive Session at 6:40 p.m.

Executive Session:

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

- Regarding Rights of Way & Plats
- Pending Contractual Negotiations regarding :
H & H Ventures LLC
Freeport Municipal Golf Course

Mayor Norma Garcia closed the Executive Session and Reconvened the Formal Session at 7:11 p.m.

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilwoman Barbree, seconded by Councilman Bolton, with all present voting "Aye", Mayor Norma M. Garcia adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Mayor Norma Moreno Garcia
City of Freeport, Texas

City Secretary, Delia Munoz
City of Freeport, Texas