

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

CITY OF FREEPORT

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City Council of the City of Freeport, met on Monday, May 4th, 2009 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:

City Council: Larry L. McDonald
 Clan A. Cameron
 Jim Saccomanno
 Ron Wise
 Norma M. Garcia – absent

Staff: Jeff Pynes, Acting City Manager
 Wallace Shaw, City Attorney
 Delia Munoz, City Secretary
 Nat Hickey, Property Manager
 Mary Stotler, Main Street Director

Visitors: Susie Wise Rosa McDonald
 Pixie Floyd Lila Lloyd
 Annette Sanford Mark Sanford
 Edna Allan B. R. Williams
 Brenda Laird Patrick Gore
 Joyce Adkins Mark Cameron
 Sandra W. Wicke Larry Shaefer
 Judy Shaefer Ron Damian
 Cele Damian Bobby Casale

Call to Order.

Councilman Saccomanno assumed the duties of Mayor Pro Tem, opened the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

Invocation.

Wallace Shaw offered the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem, Councilman Saccomanno led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of the approval of the April 20th, 2009 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Wise, with all present voting “aye”, Councilman unanimously approved the April 20th, 2009 Council Minutes.

Attending Citizens and Their Business.

There were no comments.

Consideration of the approval of authorizing the City Manager to sign an Interlocal Agreement between the County of Brazoria and the City of Freeport, to use funds from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Wise, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved the Acting City Manager-Jeff Pynes’ recommendation to sign an Interlocal Agreement between the County of Brazoria and the City of Freeport to use \$31,398.00 from the JAG award to purchase video cameras for the patrol cars.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City’s interest on Block 778, Lots 3, 5 thru 8, Velasco Townsite, known as 1610-1616-1620 North Ave. P, Tax Id No. 8110-3854-000.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Wise, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved selling the City’s interest on Block 778, Lots 3, 5 thru 8, Velasco Townsite, known as 1610-1616 -1620 North Ave. P., Tax Id # 8110-3854-000.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City’s interest on Block 676, Lots 10-11, Velasco Townsite, known as 1004-1006 North Ave. G., Tax Id No. 8110-2710-000.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Wise, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved selling the City’s interest on Block 676, Lots 10-11, Velasco Townsite, known as 1004-1006 North Ave. G., Tax Id No. 8110-2710-000.

Consideration of the approval of selling the City’s interest on Block 85, Lots 13-14, Velasco Townsite, known as 121-123 South Ave. F., Tax Id No. 8110-0858-000.

Mayor McDonald assumed the mayoral duties at 6:09 p.m.

On a motion by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Saccomanno, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved selling the City’s interest on Block 85, Lots 13-14, Velasco Townsite, known as 121-123 South Ave. F., Tax Id No. 8110-0858-000.

Consideration of the approval of setting a bid date of June 1, 2009 and to award the contract for the Community Development Building Grant (CDBG) for Freeport Sewer Improvement Project.

On a motion by Councilman Saccomanno, seconded by Councilman Cameron, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved setting a bid date and to award the contract for the Community Development Building Grant (CDBG) for June 1, 2009 for Freeport Sewer Improvement Project. A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 21, 2009 at the City Hall.

Elected Official Report

No report

Work Session

Main Street Director, Mary Stotler discusses designating certain downtown areas as an official Historic District.

Main Street Director, Mary Stotler discussed designating certain downtown city blocks as an official Historic District. Designating an official Historic District would allow tax abatements or tax freezes on improved property within Freeport’s Historic District. Councilman Wise said he had researched other cities that had implemented Historic Districts and was a good idea. Councilman Cameron suggested having a Public Hearing to hear residences concerns.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before council, the meeting was duly adjourned by Councilman Cameron, seconded by Councilman Saccomanno at 6:39 p.m.

Delia Munoz
City Secretary

Larry L. McDonald
Mayor