

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City Council of the City of Freeport met on Monday, March 21st, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at River Place, 733 Harbor Mystery Lane, Freeport Texas for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

City Council: Larry L. McDonald
 Michelle Kent
 Fred Bolton
 Nicole Mireles
 Norma M. Garcia

Staff: Jeff Pynes, City Manager
 Wallace Shaw, City Attorney
 Delia Munoz, City Secretary
 Laura Tolar, Special Program Coordinator
 Bob Welch, Finance Director
 Bob Dybala, Golf Director
 Debra Guerrero, Accounts Payable
 Loni Kershaw, Human Resources
 Silvia Hendrix, Freeport Museum
 Larry Fansher, Parks Director

Visitors: Dorothy Pirrung Jim Pirrung
 Jerry Meeks Manning Rollerson
 Jack Brown Leo's Club
 Rosa McDonald Robert Ruhmann
 Children and Parents of Elementary, Intermediate and
 High School

Call to Order.

Mayor McDonald opened the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

Invocation.

Wallace Shaw offered the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor McDonald led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of approving the March 7th, 2011 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilwoman Garcia, seconded by Councilwoman Kent, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved the March 7th, 2011 Council Minutes.

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 a tax abatement:

- Lots 16, 17 and 18, Block 20, Velasco Townsite of the City of Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas according to the map or plat of said townsite recorded in Volume 32, Page 14 of the Deed Records of said county, known locally as 317 South Ave. A, Freeport Texas, known as Maria's Kitchen.

Mayor McDonald opened the Public Hearing at 6:32 p.m. to hear comments or questions concerning 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 a tax abatement for Maria Kitchen, 317 South Ave. A., Block 20, Lot 16, 17, 18, Velasco Townsite.

There being no comments or questions, Mayor McDonald closed the Public Hearing at 6:33 p.m.

Consideration of the approval of Ordinance No. 2011-2276 designating improvements to land located within the incorporate limits of said City as a reinvestment zone to be known as Maria's Kitchen Reinvestment Zone and providing for its initial term and the renewal thereof.

On a motion by Councilwoman Garcia, seconded by Councilwoman Kent, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved Ordinance No. 2011-2276 designating improvements to land located within the incorporate limits of said City as a reinvestment zone to be known as Maria's Kitchen Reinvestment Zone and providing for its initial term and the renewal thereof.

Consideration of the approval of Resolution No. 2011-2255 granting a tax abatement to Maria Rivera, D/B/A Maria's Kitchen, 317 South Ave. A., Freeport Texas and authorizing the Mayor to sign a tax abatement agreement with Maria Rivera.

On a motion by Councilwoman Garcia, seconded by Councilwoman Mireles, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 2011-2255 granting a tax abatement to Maria Rivera, D/B/A Maria's Kitchen, 317 South Ave. A., Freeport Texas and authorizing the Mayor to sign a tax abatement agreement with Maria Rivera.

Consideration of approving the bids and awarding the contract for the construction of the Freeport Marina Ship Store.

Councilman Bolton expressed his concern on the City receiving one bidder for the construction of the Freeport Marina Ship Store.

On a motion by Councilwoman Kent, seconded by Councilman Bolton, with all present voting 4 to 1 to reagenda awarding the contract for the construction of the Freeport Marina Ship Store. Councilwoman Mireles opposed.

Presentation to the City of Freeport by the Martin Luther King Parade Committee.

Will Brooks Parade Chairperson of the Martin Luther King Parade Committee presented Council a plaque of participation.

Mayor McDonald recognizes and awards the Freeport's Leo Club, an affiliate of the port Lion's Club, for their humanitarian coat drive.

The Freeport Leo's Club was recognized for their humanitarian coat drive.

Acknowledge and award the participants of the City of Freeport's 2nd Annual Youth Art Display and Competition.

Elementary Division: 1st Place Elizabeth Espinosa
2nd Place Aaron Rodriguez
3rd Manuel Galindo
4th Adrain Aguilar

Intermediate Division: 1st Asia Green
2nd Jose Garcia
3rd Mayro Alanis
4th Pedro Ochoa

High School Division: 1st Ciera Castro
2nd Crystal Swanson
3rd Brittany Swanson
4th Richard Sanchez

Community Favorite Awards: Elementary Division: Jasmine Royston
Intermediate Division: Mayro Alanis
High School Division: Ciera Castro

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilwoman Kent, seconded by Councilwoman Mireles, with all present voting "aye", the meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Mayor Larry L. McDonald

City Secretary – Delia Munoz