

CITY OF FREEPORT

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BE IT REMEMBERED that the Planning and Traffic Commission of the City of Freeport, Texas met in a regular meeting on **Monday, April 28, 2008 at 6:00 P.M.** at the Police Department Conference Room, 430 North Brazosport Boulevard, Freeport, Texas to discuss the following:

Planning Commission:

Diane Williams, Chairperson
Robert Leffingwell - Absent
Linda Allen
Michelle Kent
Roddy Mohler
Abel Garcia

Staff:

Doug Caffey
Melissa Farmer
Mayor Larry McDonald
Nat Hickey
Wallace Shaw

Visitors:

Barbara Mohler
Pixie Floyd
Joyce Adkins

Open Meeting

Ms. Diane Williams called meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Invocation

Mr. Roddy Mohler opened meeting with prayer.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Michelle Kent moved to accept the minutes for February 25, 2008, seconded by Mr. Roddy Mohler, unanimous vote for approval.

Discuss/consider amending the sign ordinance on allowing multi-colored electronic changeable message light emitting diodes (LEDs), in the City and the City's ETJ beginning on June 1, 2008

Mr. Wallace Shaw discussed with the Planning Commission the issues with the multi-colored electronic changeable message light emitting diode's (LEDs), and that they needed to act on it before June 1, 2008, because after that date, there would be no way to control when and where these message boards would go and what would be on them.

Roddy Mohler made a motion to prohibit the LEDs for now, seconded by Mrs. Michelle Kent.

By a vote of 4 to 1, with Mr. Abel Garcia voting against, the motion passed.

Discuss/consider flashing school zone lights schedule

The Planning Commission discussed the flashing school zone lights and setting times.

Roddy Mohler made a motion to go to City Council with recommendations on flashing school zone light times.

Update on traffic in and around Jane Long Elementary

Ms. Diane Williams set this item to be re-agenda so that more information could be attained.

Discuss/consider issues involving traffic in and around garage sales

The Planning Commission discussed the issues of garage sales and traffic.

Mrs. Michelle Kent made a motion to revisit the issues of garage sale ordinances in relation to traffic issues, seconded by Mrs. Linda Allen, unanimous vote for approval.

Discussion on safety permits by the Building Official

Mr. Doug Caffey explained the safety permits with the Planning Commission and Mr. Gary Beverly passed out packets to the Commission explaining the Rental Ordinance and how he wanted to hold the landlords who own these homes in Freeport responsible for registering their rental property and obtaining a license; to hold the landlord responsible for maintaining the rental property in good repair, clean and sanitary conditions; and to hold the landlord responsible for repairs.

Mrs. Michelle Kent made a motion to re-agenda this item so that the Planning Commission could look at the packet Mr. Gary Beverly gave out, seconded by Mr. Roddy Mohler.

By a vote of 4 to 1, with Mr. Abel Garcia voting against, the motion passed.

Discuss/consider storage containers used as residential storage

Mr. Doug Caffey discussed the issue of storage containers being used as storage sheds and the issues that could arise from them.

Mr. Abel Garcia made a motion for a moratorium on permanent storage containers, seconded by Mr. Roddy Mohler, unanimous vote for approval.

Adjourn

Mr. Roddy Mohler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Abel Garcia. Meeting was adjourned at 7:53 P.M.

These minutes read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Diane Williams, Chairperson