

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City Council of the City of Freeport met on Monday, September 12th, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the Freeport Police Department, Municipal Court Room, 430 North Brazosport Boulevard, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

City Council: Norma Moreno Garcia  
Michelle Kent  
Fred Bolton  
Nicolosa Mireles  
Sandra Barbree

Staff: Jeff Pynes, City Manager  
Gilbert Arispe, Administrative Asst.  
Delia Munoz, City Secretary  
Nat Hickey, Property Manager  
Bob Welch, Finance Director

Visitors: Marjorie Clark  
Annette Sanford  
Joyce Adkins

Call to Order.

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

Invocation.

A moment of silence was noted.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Norma Garcia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consideration of approving the September 6th, 2011 Council Minutes.

On a motion by Councilwoman Kent, seconded by Councilwoman Mireles, with all present voting "aye", Council unanimously approved the September 6th, 2011 Council Minutes.

Attending citizens and their business.

There were none.

**Public Hearing – Proposed budget for fiscal year 2011-2012.**

Mayor Norma Garcia opened the Public Hearing at 6:03 p.m.

Annette Sanford was present and voiced her opinion on the budget. She had attended all the work shops and thanked Council for all their hard work on balancing a conscientious budget.

Marjorie Clark asked if the Main Street budget could be reviewed. Mayor Norma Garcia asked the City Manager to review the budget for Ms. Clark. Mr. Pynes advised her that the Main Street budget had \$38,625 which is more than last year, allocating more money for festivals and special projects. Last year budget was \$26,625. She asked if the Summer Time Blues festival would continue to be a Main Street project. Council confirmed that the festival was a Main Street project.

Mayor Norma Garcia asked for the amount of cash on hand. Mr. Pynes answered that it was \$4,199,746. She also asked about the employees raises and how he had determined the salary schedule. Mr. Pynes said that there had been a lot of discrepancies and a TML scale for all employees was used based on tenure and education.

There being no more questions or comments, Mayor Norma Garcia closed the Public Hearing at 6:12 p.m.

Consideration of approving Ordinance No. 2011-2286 adopting a budget for the fiscal year 2011-2012 for the City of Freeport.

On a motion by Councilwoman Kent, seconded by Councilwoman Barbree, with all present voting “aye”, Council approved Ordinance No. 2011-2286 adopting a budget for the fiscal year 2011-2012 with the stipulation that the City Manager at a later date prepare a 20 year proposal pay scale for all city employees.

Consideration of approving a Road & Bridge Interlocal Agreement for fiscal year 2012 with Brazoria County and the City of Freeport for rehabilitation of streets.

On a motion by Councilwoman Kent, seconded by Councilman Bolton, with all present voting “aye”, Council unanimously approved a Road & Bridge Interlocal Agreement for fiscal year 2012 with Brazoria County and the City of Freeport for rehabilitation of streets.

Adjourn

On a motion by Councilwoman Kent, seconded by Councilwoman Mireles, with all present voting “aye”, the meeting adjourned at 6: 14 p.m.

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Mayor Norma Moreno Garcia

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City Secretary – Delia Munoz