

**CITY OF FREEPORT
PLANNING COMMISSION
Tuesday, July 24, 2012, 6:00 P.M.
Freeport Police Department, Municipal Court Room,
430 North Brazosport Boulevard
Freeport, Texas**

AGENDA

Edward Garcia, Chairman
Tobey Davenport
Jesse Aguilar, Jr.

Reuben Cuellar
Eddie Virgil

NOTICE is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the City of Freeport, Texas will meet in a regular meeting on **Tuesday, July 24, 2012 at 6:00 P.M.** at the Freeport Police Department Municipal Courtroom, 430 North Brazosport Boulevard, Freeport, Texas to discuss the following:

1. Open Meeting.
2. Invocation.
3. Approval of the Minutes for June 26, 2012.
4. Discuss/consider Mr. and Mrs. Mohler's request for re-plat of Block Five-Hundred Thirty-Three (533), Lots Thirteen (13), Fourteen (14), Fifteen (15) and Sixteen (16), Velasco Townsite, Freeport, Texas, to be known locally as 201 North Avenue B.
5. Discuss/consider appointing Two (2) Planning Commission members to serve on a special committee to review material related to the City of Freeport's Master Plan.
6. Discuss/consider developing Five (5) priority items/goals for the City of Freeport.
7. Adjourn.

NOTE: ITEMS NOT NECESSARILY DISCUSSED IN THE ORDER THEY APPEAR ON THE AGENDA. THE PLANNING COMMISSION, AT ITS DISCRETION, MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY OR ALL OF THE ITEMS LISTED.

I, Melissa Farmer, Building/Permit Department Secretary, City of Freeport, Texas, hereby certify that this Agenda was posted on the official bulletin board/glass door of City Hall facing the rear parking lot of the building with 24-hour access at 200 West 2nd Street, Freeport, Texas on or before Friday, July 20, 2012 at 5:00 P.M.



Melissa Farmer
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Building/Permit Department Secretary
City of Freeport

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA)(

CITY OF FREEPORT)(

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Planning and Traffic Commission of the City of Freeport, Texas met in a regular meeting on, **Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at 6:00 P.M.** at the Police Department Conference Room, 430 North Brazosport Boulevard, Freeport, Texas to discuss the following:

Planning Commission:

**Edward Garcia – Chairman
Reuben Cuellar
Tobey Davenport
Jesse Aguilar
Eddie Virgil**

Staff: Melissa Farmer
Kola Olayiwola
Wallace Shaw
Nat Hickey

Guest: Joyce Adkins
Sabrina Brimage
Annette Sanford

Open Meeting.

Mr. Edward Garcia called meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Invocation.

Mr. Wallace Shaw opened the meeting with a prayer.

Approval of the Minutes for May 22, 2012 and the Minutes for Joint Public Hearing on June 4, 2012.

Ms. Eddie Virgil moved to accept the minutes for May 22, 2012 and the Minutes for the Joint Public Hearing on June 4, 2012, seconded by Mr. Reuben Cuellar, unanimous vote for approval.

Discuss/consider request by Ms. Juanita Gonzales of 1704 North Avenue G to replace the Yield Sign on the corner of North Avenue G and Varner with a Stop Sign.

The Board Members discussed the stop sign and the need to have one placed there.

Mr. Tobey Davenport made a motion to have a 4-Way Stop Sign placed at the intersection of North Avenue G and Varner, seconded by Mr. Jesse Aguilar, Jr., unanimous vote for approval.

Discuss/consider Mr. and Mrs. Saucedo's request for re-plat, Block Five-Hundred Thirty-Three (533), Lots Twenty-One (21), Twenty-Two (22), Twenty-Three-A (23A), and Twenty-Four-A (24A), Velasco Townsite, Freeport, Texas, to be known locally as 221 North Avenue B.

Mr. Tobey Davenport made a motion to approve the re-plat, seconded by Mr. Reuben Cuellar, unanimous vote for approval.

Discuss/consider limiting the square footage of building space that may be utilized as a residence in a commercial zoned district.

Mr. Edward Garcia discussed his concerns with allowing commercial properties to be purchased for residential living. Mr. Tobey Davenport said that the market should control the uses of buildings, not the City.

Mr. Edward Garcia stated that more research needed to be collected before any decisions were made.

This Item was not voted on.

Discuss/consider creating a new ordinance that will mandate that all apartment units (not rental homes) shall be required to pass a City supervised safety inspection prior to moving in tenants.

The Board Members discussed the need to have safety inspections done on apartments before tenants moved into them. Mr. Edward Garcia asked Mr. Wallace Shaw if he could get the Board a copy of the Ordinance that was passed by Clute, Texas on this same issue.

This Item was tabled so that Mr. Wallace Shaw could provide that Ordinance.

Discuss/consider the most appropriate zoning category for places of worship.

Mr. Edward Garcia discussed with the Board Members the need to come up with an ordinance that would limit where churches could go so as not to take prime commercial property that could be used for business development off the City's Tax Roll.

Mr. Tobey Davenport referenced a situation that he had with a church when he was the Mayor for the City of Freeport.

Mr. Edward Garcia stated he would like for Mr. Wallace Shaw to look into what the City could do and that he would get the ordinances from other cities and have a workable plan as to what they could do also.

This Item was tabled for further research.

Discuss/consider making a recommendation to the City Council to schedule a Joint Public Hearing to grant Mr. Troy Brimage a Specific-Use Permit to construct a RV/Motor Coach Park on B C I C DIV 14, Lot 519 and part of Lot 518, A0062 J. F. Fields, Freeport, Texas.

Ms. Sabrina Brimage discussed the plans for the RV/Motor Coach Park with the Board Members. She stated that Mr. Troy Brimage, her husband, was planning on constructing 40 pad sites, that the RV Park would be gated and that only people who were allowed to be in there would have access to go into the park. Mr. Edward Garcia wanted to know if they owned the property. She stated that they were going to be closing on the property, DIV 14 Lot 519, sometime next week, and that their relator was still in talks with DOW about the DIV 14 Lot 518 property. She stated that if they didn't end up with that property, that they were going to make a turnaround at that end of Lot 519 and add 7 of the pad sites to the left side of Lot 518 when you come onto the property. She stated that they would have the necessary documents by the time it went to City Council.

Mr. Tobey Davenport made a motion to make a recommendation to City Council to call for a Joint Public Hearing, seconded by Ms. Eddie Virgil, unanimous vote for approval.

Adjourn.

Ms. Eddie Virgil made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Reuben Cuellar, unanimous vote for approval. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

These minutes read and approved this _____ day of _____, 2012.

Edward Garcia, Chairman