

NOTICE OF CHARTER AMENDMENT ELECTION

TO: ALL PERSONS ENTITLED TO VOTE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 11 OF TITLE 2 OF THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, TEXAS, AND ARE DULY REGISTERED TO VOTE IN THE PRECINCT WHERE AND ON THE DAY ON WHICH THEY VOTE,
GREETINGS:

I.

You will take notice that a charter amendment election will be held in and throughout the City of Freeport, Texas ("the City"), on the first Saturday in May, 2024, being the 4th day of May, 2024, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of submitting to the voters of the City seventeen (17) proposed amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the City, being substantially as proposed by the Charter Review Commission thereof:

Proposition No. 1
Correction of Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation

Shall the Charter be amended to authorize City Council to correct spelling, grammar and punctuation errors in the Charter?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 2
Filling of Vacancies

Shall the Charter be amended to provide that the filling of a vacancies on City Council be consistent with Article 11, Section 11 of the Texas Constitution?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 3
Update State Law References

Shall the Charter be amended to authorize City Council to update all references to in the City's Charter to current State law?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 4
City Secretary References

Shall the Charter be amended to authorize City Council to update all references to City Clerk to now read City Secretary?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 5
Gender Neutrality

Shall the Charter be amended to authorize City Council to make all references to persons or positions gender neutral?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 6
Annual Audit

Shall Section 3.14 of the Charter be amended to accurately reflect the City's annual audit requirements under State law?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 7
Publication of Financial Statement

Shall Section 3.15 of the Charter be amended to require the City Manager to publish the quarterly financial statement within forty-five (45) days of the close of each quarter?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 8
Chief of Police

Shall the Charter be amended to require the Chief of Police to establish a place of residency within 30 miles from the City?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 9
Health Officer

Shall the Charter be amended to update the qualifications and duties of the Health Officer to reflect current City practice and the role of a Municipal Health Officer?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 10
Fire Chief

Shall the Charter be amended to require the Fire Chief to act as the chief administrative officer of the department of Fire and EMS and to establish a place of residency within 30 miles from the City?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 11
Filing of Petition

Shall the Charter be amended to allow one hundred and eighty (180) days to submit signatures for a petition, which is consistent with State and Federal law?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 12
Substandard Structures

Shall the Charter be amended to remove the use of the word "slum districts" and replace with "substandard structures"?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 13
Personal Interest

Shall the Charter be amended to update personal interest prohibitions to be consistent with Chapter 171 of the Texas Local Government Code?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 14
Claims against the City

Shall the Charter be amended to update claims for damages against the City to be consistent with current State law?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 15
Interim Government

Shall the Charter be amended by removing this obsolete section concerning Interim Municipal Government?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 16
Amending the Charter

Shall the Charter be amended to update the procedure for amending the Charter to be consistent with current State and Federal law?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

Proposition No. 17
Initial Adoption of City Charter

Shall the Charter be amended by removing this obsolete section concerning the initial submission of the Charter to voters for original approval?

FOR _____ AGAINST _____

II.

To be eligible to vote in such election, a person must, on the date such person votes, be (1) eligible to vote under the provisions of Chapter 2 of Title 2 of the Texas Election Code, (2) a resident of Wards A, B, C, D of the City and (3) duly registered to vote in the Brazoria County, Texas, election precinct which includes that portion of the corporate limits of the City where such voter resides.

III.

For the purpose of this election, the Mayor and City Council of the City has established one (1) municipal polling place located within the corporate limits of said city where voting will be permitted on election day, being the Freeport Library, 410 Brazosport Blvd., Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas. On that day, voting will also be permitted at the following Polling Places:

East Annex (Old Walmart)	1524 E Mulberry, Angleton
Precinct 4 Building #2	121 N 10 th St., West Columbia
Brazoria Library	620 S Brooks, Brazoria
Bonney Annex Building	19025 FM 521, Bonney
Alvin ISD Heritage Complex, Liberty Alumni Hall,	10855 Iowa Colony Blvd, Iowa Colony
Drainage District No.4 Building	4813 W Broadway, Pearland
Sweeny Community Center	205 W Ashley Wilson Rd, Sweeny
Danbury Community Center	6115 5 th St, Danbury
Freeport Library	410 Brazosport Blvd, Freeport
Jones Creek Comm House	7207 Stephen F Austin Rd, Jones Creek
Doris Williams Civic Center	333 HWY 332 East, LJ


Hillcrest Village Municipal Building	200 W Timberlane, Alvin
Brookside Village Community Center	6243 Brookside Rd, Brookside Village
West Pearland Community Center	2150 Countryplace Pkwy, Pearland
Pearland Recreation Center	4141 Bailey Rd, Pearland
Surfside Beach City Hall	1304 Monument Dr, Surfside Beach
Alvin Library	105 S Gordon, Alvin
Silverlake Recreation Center	2715 Southwyck Pkwy, Pearland
Tom Reid Library	3522 Liberty Dr, Pearland
West Pearland Library	11801 Shadow Creek Pkwy, Pearland
Manvel Annex	7313 Corporate Dr, Manvel

IV.

Early voting shall begin on April 22, 2024, and end on April 30, 2024, such early voting to be conducted by the County Clerk of Brazoria County, Texas, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the following locations, from Monday, April 22, 2024, through Saturday, April 27, 2024, and between the hours of 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 29, 2024, and Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at such locations, to-wit:

<u>Angleton (Main):</u>	East Annex, 1524 E Mulberry
<u>Alvin:</u>	Alvin Library, 105 S Gordon
<u>Brazoria:</u>	Brazoria Library, 620 S Brooks
<u>Freeport:</u>	Freeport Library, 410 Brazosport Blvd
<u>Lake Jackson:</u>	Doris Williams Civic Center, 333 HWY 332 East
<u>Manvel:</u>	Manvel Annex, 7313 Corporate Dr
<u>Pearland East:</u>	Tom Reid Library, 3522 Liberty Dr
<u>Pearland West:</u>	West Pearland Community Center, 2150 Countryplace Pkwy
<u>Shadow Creek:</u>	West Pearland Library, 11801 Shadow Creek Pkwy
<u>Sweeny:</u>	Sweeny Community Center, 205 W Ashley Wilson Rd
<u>West Columbia:</u>	Precinct 4 Building # 2, 121 N 10 th St

WITNESS MY OFFICIAL SIGNATURE HEREUNTO AFFIXED this 4th day of March, 2024.



Brooks Bass, Mayor,
City of Freeport, Texas

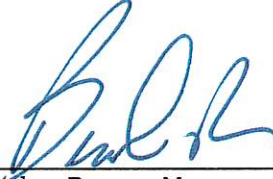
ATTEST:



Clarisa Molina, City Clerk,
City of Freeport, Texas

MAYOR'S RETURN

I certify that on the 28th day of March, 2024, I posted a true and correct copy of the foregoing "Notice of Election", on the bulletin board located at the Freeport City Hall used for posting notices of meetings of the City Council, such day being more than twenty-one (21) days prior to said election.

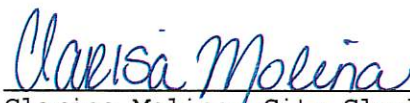


Brooks Bass, Mayor,
City of Freeport, Texas

CITY CLERK'S RETURN

I hereby certify that I caused a copy the above and foregoing "Notice of Charter Amendment Election" to be published in the Brazosport Facts, heretofore designated as the official newspaper of the City of Freeport, Texas, it being a newspaper published within the City of Freeport, in Brazoria County, Texas, which meets all of the criteria set forth in Section 2051.044 of the Government Code, and has general circulation in the City of Freeport. It also meets the criteria of Section 9.004(c) the Local Government Code which requires that a notice of a charter amendment election be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in the municipality calling such election. I requested that such publication in each of such newspaper be on the same day in each of two (2) successive weeks, with the first publication occurring before the fourteenth (14th) day before the date hereinabove fixed for the holding of said charter election.

WITNESS my official signature and the seal of said City hereunto affixed this 28 day of March, 2024.



Clarisa Molina, City Clerk
City of Freeport, Texas