



City of Freeport
Meeting and/or Executive Session Agenda

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Monday, September 15, 2025, 6:00 PM | Council Chamber | 430 North Brazosport Blvd., Freeport, Texas 77541

Taxpayer Impact Statement

This statement shows the estimated annual property tax bill for a median-valued homestead in Freeport (\$118,900), comparing the current tax rate, the no-new-revenue rate, the voter approval rate, and the de minimis tax rate options. The City of Freeport is proposing the no-new-revenue rate.

Tax Rate Scenario	Tax Rate per \$100 Valuation	Estimated Annual Tax Bill	Difference from Current FY
Current FY 2024-2025	\$0.514967	\$612.30	-
No-New-Revenue Rate	\$0.514210	\$611.40	-\$0.90
Voter-Approval Rate	\$0.548749	\$652.46	\$40.16
De Minimis Rate	\$0.563268	\$669.73	\$57.43

Proposed Budget

A copy of the proposed budget is available online at https://www.freeporttx.gov/page/finance_budget

In accordance with Section 551.043 of the Texas Government Code, this agenda has been posted at Freeport City Hall, and distributed to the appropriate news media within the required time frame. All meetings of the Freeport City Council are open to the public. Public participation and written comments are invited on all open session business items.

The Mayor and City Council request that cell phones be turned off or set to vibrate. Members of the audience are requested to step outside to conduct a phone conversation. The Council Chamber is wheelchair accessible and special parking is available outside the building. If special accommodation is required, please contact the City Secretary a minimum of 72 hours in advance at 979-233-3526.

1: Call to Order:

- 1A. Call to Order - Jerry Cain, Mayor
- 1B. Invocation - Councilman
- 1C. Pledges - Pledge of Allegiance to the United States; Pledge of Allegiance to the State of Texas.
- 1D. Audience Participation – Anyone who has registered to speak prior to the meeting being called to order and desires to address the City Council will be heard at this time, or during the discussion of an item listed on the agenda. These forms are located by the City Secretary. After completing the form, give it to the City Secretary. She will give it to the Mayor. The Mayor will call on you when that item is presented, once a motion

has been made by Council then public participation will not be allowed. You will have four (4) minutes to make your comments regardless of the number of agenda items to be addressed.

2: Consent Agenda:

All items listed are part of the Consent Agenda. Public Hearing and review are held collectively unless opposition is presented, in which case the contested item will be heard separately.

- 2A. Action regarding Minutes, August 25, 2025 and September 2, 2025 - Clarisa Fernandez, City Secretary
- 2B. Action approving Monthly Financials through August 31, 2025- Ashlee Hurst, Finance Director
- 2C. Action approving BISD Homecoming Road Closure-Jennifer Howell, Police Chief
- 2D. Action approving BISD Road Closure for the 2000 block of Second St.for varsity home games-Jennifer Howell, Police Chief
- 2E. Action approving Resolution No. 2025-2952 for Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant-Jennifer Howell, Police Chief

3: Proclamations - Presentations and Updates

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- 3A. Employee Recognitions–Employee of the Month, Shana Burton, Animal Control Officer, Freeport Police Department and Charles Willard, Sergeant, Freeport Police Department-Dan Pennington, Interim City Manager
 - 3B. Proclamation to recognize the month of October as National Code Compliance Month-Jennifer Howell, Police Chief
 - 3C. Upcoming Events:
 - Coffee with a Cop, Starbucks and McDonalds, October 1st, 8:00A.M.-10:00A.M.
 - Community Clean Up, October 4th 8:00 A.M - 12:00 P.M.
 - National Night Out with Freeport Police, Fire and EMS, Freeport Municipal Park, October 7th, 6:00P.M.-8:00P.M.
 - Fright Night 2025, Freeport Municipal Park, October 23rd, 6:00P.M.-9:00P.M.

4: Public Hearings

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- 4A. Public Hearing on the FY2025-2026 Annual Budget.(Ashlee Hurst)

5: Business

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- 5A. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2953 to approve a water bill credit for the winners of Code Division's "Yard of the Month".(Chief Jennifer Howell)

- 5B. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2954 proposing an increase to Green Fees and Monthly Membership Fees – Freeport Municipal Golf Course.(Dan Pennington)
- 5C. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2955 deeming property surplus and donating to local police department.(Chief Jennifer Howell)
- 5D. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2956 to adopt a policy for Hiring Incentive for First Responders.(Chief Jennifer Howell)
- 5E. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No.2025-2957 to amend a policy for Academy Reimbursement Program for First Responders.(Chief Jennifer Howell)
- 5F. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2958 Supporting the Negotiation and Execution of a New Brazosport Industrial Partnership Contract.(Dan Pennington)
- 5G. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2959 Opiod Settlement Purdue/Sackler.(Chris Duncan)
- 5H. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2960 to approve Veolia proposed a temporary contract extension.(Rudy Ragle)
- 5I. Consideration and possible action approval of Asphalt Overlay Project for Two Alleyways.(Rudy Ragle)
- 5J. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2961 approving a Facility Use and Rental Policy.(Rudy Ragle)
- 5K. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2962 approving pool renovation and maintenance proposals- Freeport Recreation Center.(Rudy Ragle)
- 5L. Consideration and possible action authorizing the Fire Chief to sign the 2025-26 Brazoria County Firefighter's Association Fire Protection Agreement with Brazoria County.(Christopher Motley)
- 5M. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2963 to amend section 9.07, titled “Overtime/Compensatory Time”, adding Section 9.07 A “Alternative to Overtime: Flextime”.(Donna Fisher)
- 5N. Consideration and possible action approving Ordinance No. 2025-2746 proposed adjustments to the City of Freeport's Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS) plan to enhance recruitment and retention.(Ashlee Hurst)
- 5O. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2964 to adopt the City of Freeport Grants Management Policy.(Ashlee Hurst)
- 5P. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2025-2965 amending the Administration Services contract for the CDBG-MIT GLO Grant # 22-082-013-D213.(Ashlee Hurst)
- 5Q. Consideration and possible action to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-2747 adopting the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget.(Ashlee Hurst)

- 5R. Consideration and possible action to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-2748 establishing a Tax Rate for the 2025 Tax Year.(Ashlee Hurst)
- 5S. First reading in consideration of approving Resolution No. 2025-2966 economic development projects to be enacted by the Freeport Economic Development Corporation.(Robert Johnson)
- 5T. First reading and consideration of approving Resolution No. 2025-2967 an economic development agreement to be enacted by the Freeport Economic Development Corporation and Developer.(Robert Johnson)
- 5U. **Discussion and Possible Action – TIRZ Board Appointment**
Discussion and possible action regarding auditor assignment of City Council as the Board of Directors for the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) and consider proper designation.(Councilman Pena)

6: Work Session

The City Council may deliberate and make inquiry into any item specifically listed as a Subsection under the itemized Sections A-F below, an item appearing on the City Council agenda for this meeting, on matters related to community events, or on matters that are not within the jurisdiction of the City for consideration by City Council. The City Council may not deliberate on any City matters not specifically disclosed under this Work Session or on this posted City Council Meeting agenda. City Council members and the Mayor always reserve the right to request that a matter be placed on a future agenda for consideration.

- A. Councilman Pena Ward A announcements and comments.
- B. Councilman Davis Ward B announcements and comments.
- C. Councilman Matamoros Ward C announcements and comments.
- D. Councilman Rossow Ward D announcements and comments.
- E. Mayor Jerry Cain announcements and comments.
- F. City Manager announcements and comments.

7: Executive Session

The City Council may take action on any Executive Session item posted. 551.071. Texas Government Code. Consultation with Attorney. The City Council may convene in executive session to conduct a private consultation with its attorney on any legal posted agenda item, when the City Council seeks advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the provisions of Chapter 551, including the following items:

- 7A. Executive Session: Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) 1.) Pending Litigation Ezell, Petty, Covarrubias, and Mireles.

Personnel Matters (Gov't Code § 551.074)

Discussion and possible action regarding personnel matters related to Human Resources Director Donna Fisher, specifically in connection with:

- o Lance Petty's Unemployment Compensation Claim
- o Timesheet reporting violations
- o Other alleged work-related violations (Councilman Pena)

Consultation with Attorney (Gov't Code §§ 551.071) and Deliberation Regarding Real Property (Gov't Code §§ 551.072)

Discussion and possible action to consult with the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) Director Robert Johnson and EDC's legal counsel, Olson & Olson, LLP, and deliberate legal and real property matters, related to:

- o Lawsuit between the Freeport EDC and Realty World, related to the failed Skinner Street Townhome Project
 - o Lawsuit involving alleged development contract violations by Freeport EDC, as alleged by A&T LLC
 - o Developer Agreement between the City of Freeport and Jim Maddux
- Properties concerning the vacant 19-acre tract located on Skinner Street (Councilman Pena)

8: Reconvene into Open Session:

8A. Take any action resulting from Executive Session.

9: Adjournment

9A. Adjournment – Jerry Cain, Mayor

Items not necessarily discussed in the order they appear on the agenda. The Council at its discretion may take action on any or all of the items as listed. This notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meeting Act. (Chapter 551, Government Code).

The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development).

CERTIFICATE I certify the foregoing notice was posted in the official glass case at the front door of the City Hall, with 24 hours a day public access, 1201 North Avenue H., Freeport Texas, before 6:00 p.m. in accordance with Open Meetings Act.



Clarisa Fernandez,
Secretary, City of Freeport, Texas

