



City of Freeport
Meeting and/or Executive Session Agenda

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Tuesday, January 20, 2026, 6:00 PM | Council Chamber | 430 North Brazosport Blvd. , Freeport, Texas 77541

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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. Matters Subsequent to Posting.
- 1E. 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: Proclamations - Presentations and Updates

- 2A. Upcoming Events -
 - Just FOIA Live Date-February 2026
 - Daddy Daughter Dance, February 6th, Freeport RiverPlace, 6:00P.M.-8:30P.M.
 - Celebrating Black History Month, February 7th, Freeport Museum, 11:00A.M.-3:00P.M.
 - 80 Years of the Wednesday Review Club in Freeport, February 12th, Freeport Museum, 11:00A.M.

3: 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.

- 3A. Action regarding Minutes for December 29, 2025 and January 5, 2026 - Clarisa Fernandez, City Secretary
- 3B. Action approving Resolution No. 2026-3018 for the Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services with Brazoria County and the City of Freeport - Clarisa Fernandez, City Secretary
- 3C. Action approving the Monthly Financial Report through December 31, 2025 - Ashlee Hurst, Finance Director
- 3D. Action approving Resolution No. 2026-3019 authorizing FY2026 Criminal Justice Grant Application (Grant #5104302) – Radio System Modernization Project - Jennifer Howell, Police Chief/Assistant City Manager
- 3E. Action approving Resolution No. 2026-3020 authorizing FY2026 Criminal Justice Grant Application (Grant #5442501) – Dispatch Console Replacement Project - Jennifer Howell, Police Chief/Assistant City Manager
- 3F. Action approving Resolution No. 2026-3021 authorizing FY2026 Bullet-Resistant Components Grant Application (Grant #5465001) – Ballistic Vehicle Safety Project - Jennifer Howell, Police Chief/Assistant City Manager
- 3G. Action approving Resolution No. 2026-3022 authorizing FY2026 SLCGP Mitigation Grant Application (Grant #5479601) – Resilient Backup and Network Modernization Project - Jennifer Howell, Police Chief/ Assistant City Manager

4: Business

- 4A. Public workshop to discuss and take possible action regarding the maintenance and development of the Beach Plan for Freeport's Bryan Beach.(Councilman Pena)
- 4B. Consideration and possible action approving Ordinance No. 2026-2757 calling the City of Freeport's Annual General Election to be held on Saturday, May 2, 2026, for the purpose of electing City Council Members for Wards A and C, and authorizing qualified voters residing in those wards to vote for the respective candidates.(Dr. Danielle Kelly)
- 4C. Consideration and possible action approving Ordinance No. 2026-2758 calling a Charter Amendment Election for the City of Freeport, to be held on Saturday, May 2, 2026.(Dr. Danielle Kelly)
- 4D. Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2026-3023 to Declare City Equipment as Surplus and Authorize Auction.(Dr. Danielle Kelly)
- 4E. Consideration and possible action approving the purchasing of police vehicles for the Freeport Police Department.(Chief Jennifer Howell)

- 4F. Consideration and possible action approving the purchase of police dispatch console furniture for the Freeport Police Department.(Chief Jennifer Howell)
- 4G. Consideration and Possible action to remove board member (s) illegally added to boards.(Councilman Matamoros)
- 4H. Discussion and possible action regarding City Boards' meeting times and meeting facilities.(Councilman Pena)

5: 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.

6: 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:

- 6A. Executive Session regarding: 1. Consultation with Attorney and Deliberation regarding status update of suit against the City by Jerry Lance Petty. 551.071
 - 1. Personnel Matters (Texas Government Code § 551.074)
Discussion and possible action regarding personnel matters involving Assistant City Manager / Chief Jennifer Howell, including potential conflicts of interest arising from her dual role. (Councilman Pena)

2. Consultation with Attorney and Deliberation Regarding Real Property (Texas Government Code §§ 551.071 and 551.072)

Discussion and possible action related to the following matters:

- a. Consultation with the City Attorney regarding pending litigation between the Freeport Economic Development Corporation and Realty World, related to the failed Skinner Street Townhome Project.
- b. Consultation with the City Attorney regarding pending litigation involving alleged development contract violations by the Freeport Economic Development Corporation, as alleged by A&T LLC.
- c. Deliberation regarding real property and consultation with the City Attorney concerning the Developer Agreement between the City of Freeport and Jim Maddux Properties, involving the vacant approximately 19-acre tract located on Skinner Street.
- d. Consultation with the City Attorney regarding legal requirements and procedures governing the use, development, and disposition of City-owned real property, including compliance with applicable statutes and City policies. (Councilman Pena)

7: Reconvene into Open Session:

7A. Take any action resulting from Executive Session.

8: Adjournment

8A. 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).

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Clarisa Fernandez,
City Secretary, City of Freeport, Texas

