

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City Council of Freeport, Texas met on Thursday, June 25, 2026 at 4:00 PM at the Freeport Council Chamber located at 430 North Brazosport Blvd., Freeport Texas for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

City Council: Mayor Jerry Cain
Councilman Larry McDonald
Councilman Jarvis Davis
Councilwoman Nicolasa Mireles
Councilman Winston Rossow

Staff: Danielle M Kelly, DPA, City Manager
Tracy Harrison, Assistant City Manager
Clarisa Fernandez, City Secretary
Toby Cohen, IT Director

Visitors: Manning Rollerson David McGinty
Pamela Dancy

Call to Order:

Call to Order - Jerry Cain, Mayor

Mayor Cain called the Special City Council meeting of the Freeport City Council to order at 4:00P.M. on June 25, 2026, declaring a quorum was present.

Invocation - Councilman

Councilman Rossow led the Invocation.

Pledges - Pledge of Allegiance to the United States; Pledge of Allegiance to the State of Texas.

Councilman Rossow led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and the Pledge of Allegiance to the State of Texas.

Matters Subsequent to Posting.

City Manager Dr. Danielle Kelly stated there were no matters subsequent to posting.

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.

Manning Rollerson addressed the Council regarding the recent dismissal of City Attorney Christopher Duncan. Mr. Rollerson challenged the stated rationale of a lack of confidence as insufficient justification for the termination, stating that such a reason fails to meet the bar of legitimate cause and does not serve the

interests of the citizens. He expressed particular concern over the roles of specific Council members in initiating and seconding the motion to remove Mr. Duncan, questioning whether personal animosity rather than professional cause drove the decision. Mr. Rollerson noted that Mr. Duncan had recently secured a \$10 million outcome for the city, and stated that removing a successful attorney without documented wrongdoing exposes the city to legal and financial risk. He stated that he had contacted the District Attorney's office to request a formal investigation, characterizing the dismissal as potentially unlawful and inconsistent with Texas law.

Pamela Dancy also addressed the Council on the matter of Mr. Duncan's termination. Ms. Dancy expressed her belief that the timing and circumstances of the dismissal were connected to a desire to settle pending litigation rather than litigate it to conclusion, suggesting that a replacement firm with local ties would be more inclined to settle cases in ways that could benefit certain parties at the expense of taxpayers. She urged the Council to consider asking Mr. Duncan to return in a limited capacity to close out the existing cases he had been handling, arguing that he was well-positioned to win them. Ms. Dancy recommended that the Council seek replacement counsel with no local connections or conflicts of interest, and appealed to members to set aside personal grievances in the interest of the city.

Executive Session

Executive Session regarding a.) Texas Government Code, Section 551.074: Personnel Matters: to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee; Legal Services.

The Regular Session closed at 4:10P.M. and the Council entered into the Executive Session.

Reconvene into Open Session:

Take any action resulting from Executive Session.

The Executive Session ended at 5:03P.M. and the Council went back into Regular Session.

There was no action from the Executive Session.

Adjournment

Adjournment – Jerry Cain, Mayor

A motion was made by Councilman McDonald to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Davis with all present and voting "Aye" 5-0. Mayor Cain adjourned the meeting at 5:03P.M.



Jerry Cain, Mayor



Clarisa Fernandez City Secretary