

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City Council of Freeport, Texas met on Monday, March 4, 2024 at 6:00 PM at the Freeport, Police Department, Municipal Court Room, 430 North Brazosport Boulevard Freeport Texas for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

City Council: Mayor Brooks Bass
Councilman Jeff Pena
Councilman Jerry Cain
Councilman George Matamoros
Councilman Winston Rossow

Staff: Lance Petty, City Manager
David Olson, Interim City Attorney
Clarisa Molina, City Secretary
Cathy Ezell, Finance Director
Toby Cohen, IT Manager
Donna Fisher, Human Resource Director
Ana Silbas, Main Street Coordinator
Robert Johnson, EDC Director
Jennifer Howell, Police Chief
Rudy Ragle, Interim Public Works Director

Visitors:	Nicole Mireles	Sam Reyna
	Karla Clark	Kenneth Hayes
	Ranseney Mcdonald	Melanie Oldham
	Tamara Mcdonald	Pamela Dancy
	Patti Richardson	

THE MEETING IS BEING HELD FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Bass called the meeting to order at 6:00P.M.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation and Pledge was led by Councilman Rossow.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS:

Melanie Oldham resides at 1206 West Broad. She said she was going to speak as a resident regarding clarifying the short-term rental ordinance. She said she was glad that after Mr. Duncan brought this up and the City Attorney looked at it and once and for all the ordinance would be clarified in the penalty per day. She said she appreciated the lawyer and everybody else that clarified this ordinance. Ms. Oldham said regarding the demolition of 208 West Park she hopes the Council takes more time to look at this and there is no hurry. She

said Ms. Ana and others on the Main Street Historical Board have a visioning session coming up on March 27 and that is the time for everyone to put all of their ideas and input on what would affect downtown. She said she is hoping the Council does not vote on this tonight because there are several unanswered questions. Ms. Oldham thanked the council for what they were doing.

Rob Giesecke Port Freeport Commissioner. He said he wanted to give a quick Port update on a couple of things they have going on at the port. He said this month would mark the kickoff for Volkswagen's operations and their first ship is scheduled to come in this month, and he is really excited about that. He said Del Monte has started some construction on their 80,000 square foot shield cross dock, and they will start operations late this summer. He said they will have some temporary quarters for that operation before the new building is ready but they are real excited about the economic impact between the two of them and once they get fully operational there will be about 300 jobs in the City of Freeport. Mr. Giesecke said over the years the Port had accumulated scattered residential lots throughout the City and they have identified about 15 lots that they have no use for. He said he has been asking why do they still have those and the answer was they do not know as they do not have a use for them. He said at the last commission meeting they took a vote and they started the process to divest themselves of those lots and get those back into private hands to get them back on the tax rolls.

Ana Silbas Main Street Coordinator invited the Council and the public to attend the Community Visioning Session that the Main Street will be hosting on March 26 at Freeport River Place from 5:30P.M. to 7:30P.M. She said this is in conjunction with the University of Texas Center for Urban and Regional Planning Research to develop the Downtown comprehensive plan along with the historic design guidelines. Ms. Silbas said this is open for the public and would like feedback from all as they want Downtown to be enjoyed by all residents and visitors as well. She said this has been posted on the City website as long as with social media.

PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Community service award- Dow and Jacobs

City Manager Lance Petty presented a Community Service Award to Dow and Jacobs for volunteering their time at Freeport Bryan Beach.

Community service award- Michelle Backman

City Manager Lance Petty presented a Community Service Award to Michelle Backman for volunteering her time and talent to the City of Freeport.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Consideration and possible action on the approval of City Council Meeting Minutes, from February 20, 2024.

Consideration and possible action approving Ordinance No. 2024-2722 amending polling locations for the May 4, 2024 General Election.

Consideration and possible action approving Ordinance No. 2024-2723 amending polling locations for the May 4, 2024 Special Election Amendments to the Charter.

A motion was made by Councilman Cain to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilman Rossow with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.

COUNCIL BUSINESS – REGULAR SESSION:

Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2024-2842 authorizing a revision to the City of Freeport Policy Handbook Chapter 8- Attendance and Leave Policy Section 8.14 Leave Donation Policy.

Human Resource Director Donna Fisher said back in 2022 the City created a sick leave pool. She said this provides for sick leave to be used by someone that has a life-threatening illness or injury that has run out of their leave time. Ms. Fisher said the policy does comply with IRS regulations and the changes that are being asked for are to increase the maximum hours per year that an employee can donate from 96 to 120 and to change the times that an employee can receive hours from a rolling 12-month period to each fiscal year.

Mayor Bass said his understanding of this is that if he works for the City, gets sick, and runs out of sick time, other folks or other employees in the City could donate sick leave, and he could be able to use some of that? Human Resource Director Donna Fisher said there is a pool that you have to donate to the pool to be able to draw from the pool. Ms. Fisher said it can not be donated to any one person. She said it can not be donated by Mr. Petty to him because this violates the IRS regulations and both would have to pay taxes on those earnings, and so, by putting it into a pool and having a committee determine when it is eligible, then it will comply with the regulations.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve Resolution No. 2024-2842 authorizing a revision to the City of Freeport Policy Handbook Chapter 8-Attendance and Leave Policy Section 8.14 Leave Donation Policy, seconded by Councilman Matamoros with discussion that followed.

Nicole Mireles asked who is included in the committee? Human Resource Director Donna Fisher said it is the Department Director of the Employee, HR Director, and the City Manager.

Mayor Bass called the motion to a vote, with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved the motion.

Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2024-2843 to Amend the City's existing Purchasing Policy Accordingly.

Finance Director Cathy Ezell said the changes that are brought forward are based off discussions between the City Manager and the Finance Director. She said these changes were stronger controls over purchasing and invoice payments. She said some of the things that they are recommended for change are: to change the definition of capital equipment to have a useful life of three years instead of two years, re-define the check request, add the definition of payment authorization, change formal bidding requirements from \$50,000 to \$30,000 with the exceptions of emergencies, remove the mayor as an authorized credit card holder, the department credit cards are the responsibility of the department head, and change the ACM designation in the P-Card policy to the Finance Director. Ms. Ezell said the standard useful life to be considered a capital asset is three years. She also said the changing of the ACM to Finance Director in the P-Card policy is because the previous Finance Director was the ACM. She said this was based on discussions with Mr. Petty she had. She said she wanted to let the Council know there was a change in State Law, and instead of State Law requiring formal bids of \$50,000, it has now been moved to \$100,000. She said she felt, based on the size of the City, that it would be prudent to take things at \$30,000 to the Council for approval and to formally bid them.

Mayor Bass said he did not know he was an authorized credit card holder. Finance Director Cathy Ezell said yes, he just does not have a credit card. Mayor Bass asked if nobody has used it in his name? Ms. Ezell said no, there was not one under his name.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve Resolution No. 2024-2843 to Amend the City's existing Purchasing Policy Accordingly, seconded by Councilman Cain with discussion that followed.

Councilman Pena said he thinks it is curious that CFO Ms. Ezell is going to the Council with proposals to protect the money of the City. He said as the Mayor knows because of the CFO and City Manager and their previous actions where the \$345,000 was lost which will never get back. He said he just reminded of a quote from a local business owner stating "Well that is just letting the wolf in the hen house honey". He asked if these changes will prevent from losing money like the last time like the \$345,000? He asked with that \$345,000 Ms.

Ezell knew it was illegal to transfer but she did it anyway so do these new rules prevent her from doing that again? Councilman Pena asked do these new rules require another person to watch? He asked does it prevent Ms. Ezell from making illegal payments? He said usually in an accounting you will have at least two people to ask to okay a large payment because two people usually prevent illegal actions. He asked does this new ordinance require three or four people to prevent illegal payments? Councilman Pena asked if these procedures require a bond that Ms. Ezell and the City Manager and the previous City Manager did not have? He said he does not want her and the next City Manager to do this again. He said he wants to be sure that this requires her and Mr. Petty to be bonded so that if they make any illegal payments like she and Mr. Kelty did then the City has a chance to get their money back because right now he does not believe they are going to get that \$345,000 back.

Mayor Bass said he believes that Ms. Ezell did not make an illegal payment and she made a payment that the City Manager asked her to make. He said if hindsight's 2020 we would all be sitting pretty and be millionaires.

Finance Director Cathy Ezell said she wanted to make it clear the payment was not illegal. She said yes she made it and she has never denied that she signed to make the payment however, it was based on false information that she was given. She said she trusted and she should not have but she had never had any type of place where she should had not have trusted. She said she has told Mr. Petty and has assured him that this will never happen again because of the fact that they are making these changes and also all payments require two peoples signature on the payment register for invoices that requires her or her designee if she is out which is the Assistant Finance Director and it also requires the City Manager or his designee which is usually the Assistant City Manager before the payments are made.

Mayor Bass asked what about electronic funds transfer? Finance Director Cathy Ezell said they are just like checks. Ms. Ezell said once both signatures are on the payment the checks are cut and then mailed. She said as far as electronic payments go it requires just like a check. She said the AP clerk puts the batch out there and Ms. Ezell goes in and seconds in the batch and unless she is out her Assistant Finance Director will second the batch it requires two people to release the funds in the bank. She said this policy does change instead of using a stamp for which any time an invoice is submitted a department head has to sign the invoice it is not processed without a department head signature and Mr. Petty's signature or her signature. She said she reviews all invoices to be paid before they go to Mr. Petty for Mr. Petty's signature and he reviews them before he puts his signature on them. Ms. Ezell said this is the process that has always been in place and will continue to be in place. She said she trusted when she should not had trusted. She said now a form will be required rather than a stamp so that everything will require signatures up to over a certain amount so all three signatures will be on the payment authorization form as well as the packet to approve the checks to be issued.

Pamela Dancy resides at South Front Street. She said this is the first time she is hearing about this and she cares about everybody in the room. She said but if the CFO released the money as Mr. Kelty told her to do is what she is understanding, and said they did not find out about this for a long time after. She said and now they are going to try to change things which she appreciates but she still does not like the deceitfulness that the citizens are not aware of everything that is going on or how it went down. Ms. Dancy said she understands that Mr. Petty has gotten himself bonded and she thinks anybody that deals with money needs to be bonded. She said she believes Mr. Kelty was bonded for she believes \$10,000 and certainly not enough. She said she is a little upset and dissatisfied in the CFO for if she did take this to the Council they are a huge dissatisfied for not letting the public know when it took place.

Finance Director Cathy Ezell said Mr. Kelty had a \$10,000 bond. She said she was the one that went to Mr. Petty and said they were going to increase his dollar amount of bond. Ms. Ezell said because she is not required to be bonded as part of the Charter she has been told by a company that will not bond her because it is not required by City Council in the charter or any language to be bonded. She said she tried to be bonded but because of the fact it was not a requirement of the City to bond the CFO it was going to be difficult for her to

get a bond. She said if this is something the Council would like she would bring it forward to have an ordinance to have her bonded because she has no trouble being bonded because she has always been bonded everywhere she has been.

Councilman Pena said he thinks anybody that is part of the signature process for this procurement ordinance needs to be bonded. He said to definitely make a change on the charter or an ordinance so that in fact it is in place and he would say a minimum \$1,000,000 and if they can not get bonded then they are forfeited of their position. He said it is a simple thing. Councilman Pena said if you can not get a contractor to get bonded you do not hire them and you certainly do not give them \$345,000 and you certainly do not cover it up for two months when you know about it and that is the problem he has. He said it is not that there was not a problem but it did not come to light five months later and three months in. He said Mayor Bass and Councilman Cain knew. Councilman Pena said he is glad this is being fixed finally. He said he just has a problem with hiring a babysitter to look over a babysitter that they already have.

Mayor Bass called the motion to a vote, with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved the motion.

Consideration and possible action to approve Resolution No. 2024-2844 approving and adopting Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Policy and Procedures for the City of Freeport.

Mayor Bass tabled this item.

Consideration and possible action approving Ordinance No. 2024-2724 amending the definition of Short-Term rental in Section 155.201 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances.

City Manager Lance Petty said Mr. Duncan had presented to the Council that this ordinance did not pertain to the collection of taxes on AirBnB businesses per the language stating "The definition does not include motels and hotels". He said staff had directed the City's legal team to review the ordinance and make amendments to clarify the verbiage that Mr. Duncan referred to. Mr. Petty said Olson and Olson have reviewed the ordinance and recommended the amendment described in the definition. He said this amendment is to remove the language. Mr. Petty said this definition does not include motels or hotels under chapter 155 zoning code, definitions 155.201. He said this amendment is to clarify and remove confusion associated with the current ordinance. Mr. Petty said staff recommended approval of the amended amendment to the short term rental ordinance.

Mayor Bass asked if Olson and Olson had verified that this amendment does not affect any AirBnB that owes any unpaid taxes? City Manager Lance Petty said yes.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve Ordinance No. 2024-2724 amending the definition of Short-Term rental in Section 155.201 of the Zoning Ordinance of the Code of Ordinances, seconded by Councilman Matamoros with discussion that followed.

Interim City Attorney Olson and Olson said any pending issues with short-term rentals will not change the law, it just clarifies the definition.

Councilman Pena asked if by that question it was being suggested that anybody that has any unpaid taxes that this does not affect that? Interim City Attorney Olson and Olson said absolutely. He said he owns short term rentals as it has been documented at many of these meetings and enforce here in the local news rag and at the Council. He said he first of all wanted to say that he paid his attorney as Mr. Petty had mentioned Mr. Chris Duncan to look into this a couple of months ago. He said he is trying to fix this problem because it is broken. He said he asked Duncan's law firm to figure out how to fix this illegal tax ordinance so that himself and other short term rental folks can pay taxes in the future. Councilman Pena said Mr. Duncan had came out to a previous meeting and outlined the fixes and as it stands now today no short term rental is legally required to pay those taxes. He said he paid with his own money, money out of his own wallet to fix this law so that in fact

he will have to pay his taxes in the future. He said what is best for the City is not necessarily best for him because it makes him having to pay more taxes in the future. Councilman Pena said yes he is actually going against his own interest and his own self interest trying to correct the ordinance while these guys run up legal city bills with bogus investigation and crony lawsuits withdrawals. He said he is the only person up there spending his own tax money to save tax dollars and help the city make more tax revenue. He said he is the only one that understands the math and he hopes the facts or the local news rag here has a new headline that says Councilman Pena pays his own money to pay more taxes and prevent City Hall from illegal taxation. He said the changes in the ordinance do absolutely nothing to fix the problems and they can try to go down this road and try to go to court and create more legal fees to line the pockets of Olson and Olson or this can be done right. He said to just call Duncan's law firm and get this right. He said this can be done as an aside and do not have to go to court and everything else because they are going to end up having a whole bunch of short term rental residents and business owners that they are going to have a legal issue with this ordinance as it goes forward when the City tries to send their taxes or their tax bills. He said the changes in the ordinance as they stand now does absolutely nothing to fix the problems. Councilman Pena said he does not know if Tommy or Mr. Olson here got the wrong message and did not understand but they can look at the video because the ordinance does not do anything to fix the problem of collecting taxes. He said he is there trying to prevent the City from creating more legal liabilities and unnecessary legal actions that only benefit either Olson's pockets or political opponents agendas. He said you almost have to ask is Olson complicit and does not want to put a stop to it because it makes them money just like the downtown buildings. Councilman Pena said this ordinance as it is written right now that they are going to be voting on is going to be inviting new lawsuits against the City.

Mayor Bass asked if Councilman Pena had ever paid any taxes on his AirBnBs? Councilman Pena said yes to the state. Mayor Bass asked if he has paid them to the City of Freeport? Councilman Pena said the ordinance is very clear on what the rules are. Mayor Bass said it is just a yes or no. Councilman Pena said he is happy to have that conversation when all the attorneys are sitting down together offline or they can go to court and then they are going to run up more bills as it seems like every letter that goes out another \$2,500 for Olson. Mayor Bass asked if Councilman Pena had filed a lawsuit on the Board of Adjustments? Councilman Pena said to the Mayor if he knew that they filed a motion on an illegal ordinance. Councilman Pena asked so if he gets a bill from the City that is illegal is he just going to pay it? Mayor Bass said he pays his bills and he pays his taxes. Councilman Pena asked if he pays his bills that are wrong when his water bill is three times higher does he simply pay that or does he question it? Councilman Pena said he is allowed to question it so when the Board of Adjustments makes a decision that he can question legally and the rules of the law allow him to do that as well as any other resident why would he not take that opportunity? Mayor Bass asked if Councilman Pena filed a lawsuit against the City of Freeport? Councilman Pena said he is disputing his bill. Mayor Bass said boy he can not even answer yes or no. Councilman Pena said he will not keep something a secret for two months that is for sure. Mayor Bass said the answer is yes Councilman Pena has filed a lawsuit against the City of Freeport. Councilman Pena said and that lawsuit is a dispute of that bill.

Councilman Matamoros said because this issue pertains to AirBnB which is the primary income source for Mr. Pena he believes he should recuse himself from this vote. He said he would like to have Mr. Olson give an opinion on that. Councilman Pena said Mr. Matamoros does not have a clue on what his revenue income is. Interim City Attorney Olson and Olson said it does not matter because they are talking about an ordinance that affects everybody equally, and so Councilman Pena is not legally conflicted from voting on this. Councilman Matamoros said Councilman Pena had stated that two months people hid something yet he hid it for eight years his entire time. Councilman Pena said Councilman Matamoros has his math wrong and does not even have the numbers right. Councilman Pena said if Councilman Matamoros is going to say something to say it truthfully. Councilman Matamoros said he is saying the truth.

Mayor Bass called the motion to a vote, with all present voting "Aye" 4-1 motion passed. Councilman Pena voted "Nay".

Second reading, Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2024-2839 for consideration for the demolition of the building located at 208 W. Park Ave.

Mayor Bass tabled this item.

Ransene McDonald said his question was about the demolition of 208 West Park Street. He said he owns 206 West Park Street, which is the building next to it. He said if this building was demolished, then it would tear down his building and asked who would be responsible for that? He said the way he sees it, if there was an exceptionally nice restaurant downtown and take both buildings and combine them together and make a real nice place, that would be the right thing to do. Mr. McDonald said right now the way the economy is and interest rates, he does not think it is his best to invest \$300,000 in bringing this building up to code right now. He said in the near future he sees that there is potential in the City of Freeport with the growth of the Port and with the money coming in and also with Volkswagen. He said this should be postponed and the demolishing of the building at this point in time. He said maybe the City could unite forces with him and have a nice place there.

Mayor Bass said to Mr. McDonald that he would give Mr. Petty his information including his phone number and have Mr. Petty give him a call tomorrow morning and talk about this.

Discussion and clarification pertaining to Candidate Application for May 4, 2024 Election.

City Manager Lance Petty said this item was placed on the agenda for clarification from Olson and Olson on eligibility requirements for running for public office. He said Mr. Reyna applied for the May 2024 election for the Mayor position and, after legal review by Mr. Reyna's application, Mr. Reyna was deemed ineligible to run for office. Mr. Petty said Mr. Reyna had questioned the legal ruling and Mr. Reyna needs clarification of the decision process.

Interim City Attorney David Olson said he had one of their associates look at this and do good research on it. He said Mr. Reyna brought a bill that was proposed, and he thinks there was some confusion about whether it actually passed. He said he went and looked at the history, and it never made it out of the committee and so that bill was never signed into law. Mr. Olson said, so, we have to go back and revert to what the current interpretation of that provision of the election code is. He said in the memorandum it says essentially when somebody is convicted of a felony the only way that they are eligible to run for office in Texas is if they get a full pardon or clemency from a judge. He said it requires court action and that is the current State of Law. Mr. Olson said if Mr. Reyna does not agree with the memorandum then he has certain rights, but it is really not going to be in front of the Council, it would have to be court intervention.

Sam Reyna resides at 2002 North Avenue G. He said the law of Texas remains as follows to be eligible to be a candidate or elected or appointed to a public effective office on the State a person must have not been finally convicted of a felony from which a person has been pardoned or otherwise released from their resulting disability. He said Mr. Olson stated this has been interpreted by courts and the Texas Attorney General to mean that in order to restore eligibility to run for office a full pardon or clemency from a judge is required. He said he does not know what courts Mr. Olson is referring to but the Texas First Court of Appeals allowed Ms. Bailey to remain on the ballot. He said Ms. Bailey had been convicted of felony theft and for the attorney generals his opinion is not worth the paper written off. Mr. Reyna said Mr. Ken Paxton had legal problems since he was a nominee for attorney general. He said the Texas State Securities Board reprimanded Paxton for soliciting investment clients without been registered that was in 2014. He said in July 2015 first year in office Paxton is indicted by a Collin County grand jury felonies security fraud charges. He said in 2016 U.S. securities and exchange commission filed civil charges against Paxton for allegedly misleading investors in a technology company senior employees sued attorney General Ken Paxton forcing them out of their jobs after they reported him to the FBI for alleged corruption. He said the allegations eventually led the Texas House to impeach Paxton for alleged bribery and abuse of office. He said he was acquitted after trial in the Senate but the whistle blowing lawsuit has continued as of today. He said they are paying for his attorney with several \$100,000

already. He said Attorney General Paxton is a person that has not been released from the resulting disabilities. Mr. Reyna said he has completely discharged his sentence and the current interpretation of the Texas Elections Code effectively banning all convicted felons from planning for running for office, violates U.S. and Texas Constitution Article 16, Section 2 of the Texas Constitution states laws shall be made to exclude from office persons who have been of bribery, perjury, forgery or other high crimes. Mr. Reyna said his crimes were not high crimes under Section 16 under Article 16 Section 2 of the Texas Constitution a person that has not been convicted of the above class of criminal law offense are eligible to hold public office which they had put him in that class. Mr. Reyna said he is eligible for public office because he has not been committed of the high crime section and not all felonies are high crimes. He said thus, the Texas Constitution conflicts with Texas Election Code Section 141.001 A4 bans a convicted felon from holding public office violates Article 1 Section 19 and Article 16 Section 2 of the Texas Constitution. Mr. Reyna said he also has the right to accept the election ballot under the First Amendment of the United States Consitution and such right may be enforced under Title 42 U.S.C. Section 1993. He said the reason that the First Court of Appeals is ruling on behalf of the appellants is because of the clause release from result in disabilities and nobody can get a complete interpretation of that phrase and that is what the courts are having trouble with for a clemency. He said Paxton made that decision and no that is his interpretation and that is his opinion and we all have our own opinion. He said the opinion from Paxton that you need a clemency there is a lot of people that have filed an appeal to the first court of appeal. He said he gave the Council a paper and it has the names of all the people who have been in front of the Court that the First Court of Appeals have ruled on their behalf because of that clause. He said that clause really cannot be interpreted for a good clarification. Mr. Reyna said he needs to be put on the ballot and he can be legally put on the ballot.

Councilman Pena asked Interim City Attorney David Olson if anything and everything Mr. Reyna had just described changes his legal opinion? Interim City Attorney David Olson said no. Councilman Pena asked any particular reason why? Interim City Attorney David Olson said he had Paige Bailey in his office ^{reproduce} ~~jeopardize~~ this attorney general's opinion to see if there was any court of appeals decision that would overturn and there is not and so currently that is the interpretation and it may be an area that probably could be litigated but to date when it has been there has not been a decision to overturn this position. Councilman Pena asked if any of those folks on that list elected or allowed to be on the ballot that Mr. Reyna provided? Mr. Olson said he does not know what list and he does not work on lists or articles from news reports he works on case law and there is no case law to overturn this and currently this is the law.

Interim City Attorney David Olson said they are remedies available to Mr. Reyna and if he wants to pursue those and he can but he thinks currently the City Attorney's position is that the law precludes him from being on the ballot.

Mayor Bass said to Mr. Reyna he needs to take the letter and the Attorney General opinion to an attorney to look at. Mayor Bass said his problem with his endeavor is Mr. Reyna talking about the first court appeals and to folks who do not know there is appellate courts in the State of Texas but the first and fourteen set over our area and then there is some for El Paso and then there is some for Amarillo and so forth and then go from that court to the Supreme Court of the State of Texas and then you get up into the situation where you go up into federal court and folks can certainly state action like removing somebody or not allowing somebody to be on the ballot would be a state issue that would qualify for a federal ruling and he keeps going back to the United States behalf which is a fifth circuit court of appeals is five judges that are in Louisiana that control Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and so forth and when getting up into federal law you are getting into really strong suggestions. He said he would just say that United States concluding that defendant was not otherwise released from the resulting disabilities of felony conviction under subsection 141.001 A4 when his rights to vote and to possess firearms were restored. Mayor Bass said to Mr. Reyna this is saying he has the right to vote and he has the right to possess a firearm but at this time he does not have a right to run for election. Mayor Bass said he thinks it is some interesting law and Mr. Reyna needs to take it to somebody to look at it.

Consideration and possible action to authorize entering an agreement with HUB International for Benefits

Consulting and Actuarial Services.

Finance Director Cathy Ezell said the City sent out requests for a Proposal for Group Benefit Consultant Services. She said this proposal was advertised twice in January. She said the City received six proposals. Ms. Ezell said staff narrowed the proposal down to three providers and interviewed those three providers. She said, based on those interviews, HUB International is being recommended to provide the City with benefit consultants and actuarial services. She said HUB International is one of the largest insurance brokers in the world and in Texas. Ms. Ezell said in the Texas Public Sector they serve over 500 public entities. She said they had achieved over 97% retention across their public sector business in 2023. She said the team providing services to the City has an average of 19 years of experience in benefit consulting. She said they also have a representative in the Houston area. She said the difference between the current benefit administration service provider and this one is the current one has a commission which the City still pays but is tacked on to the insurance premiums and HUB would pay directly, and that would be a savings of approximately \$14,670 annually. She said it is staff recommendation to consider HUB International for benefits consulting and actuarial services.

Mayor Bass asked why do we need this? Finance Director Cathy Ezell said because they are the ones who market our health insurance, dental insurance, and all of our ancillary coverage. Mayor Bass asked if an actuarial service has been used before? Finance Director Cathy Ezell said yes, they have been used before the current provider Homes Murphy used benefits service plus they were the benefits consultant advisor before then. Ms. Ezell said we have had one for quite a while since 2019. Mayor Bass asked how there is a cost savings of \$14,670? Finance Director Cathy Ezell said annually because currently the broker makes a little over \$53,000 on the commission side of it and this side does not take in the commission and it is a base fee of \$32,000 so we are saving \$14,670 because it would reduce the premiums.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve entering an agreement with HUB International for Benefits Consulting and Actuarial Services, seconded by Councilman Cain with discussion that followed.

Councilman Pena asked how many other companies were contacted to BID on this particular service for the City? Finance Director Cathy Ezell said six, and sent out five but received six. Councilman Pena asked how did HUB demonstrate the highest savings out of the six? Finance Director Cathy Ezell said they demonstrated based on the interview and based on their tenured employees and based on that. Ms. Ezell said they have 500 public sectors where the current one we have do not and they have a marketing public sector. She said the two people who she would be working with have actually retired from TML IRP, which no longer exists in the State of Texas but it was the pooled insurance broker for health insurance in the State of Texas and they have went out and now they started their company and it was purchased by HUB International and these people have so much experience and the wealth of knowledge that she thinks would benefit the City to help bring in better savings.

Mayor Bass called the motion to a vote, with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved the motion.

Consideration and possible action to award the purchase of generators for Lift Station 3,4, and 14 to Worldwide Power Products in the amount of \$99,800.00.

Finance Director Cathy Ezell said the City was awarded three generator grants through FEMA for generators at Lift Stations 3,4, and 14. She said each grant is in the amount of \$36,000 with a match of \$4,000 from the City to be a total of \$40,000 for each lift station. Ms. Ezell said the City was required to BID the generators because the purchase of three items was over \$50,000.00. She said the City went out for BIDS twice for generators for Lift Stations 3,4, and 14. She said the first time the City received no BIDs. She said the second time, the City received one BID in the amount of \$139,469.00 which is over the amount of \$120,000 of funding allocated for these projects. She said staff did additional due diligence and obtained a price from Worldwide Power using co-op pricing from TIPS Contract #221001 in the amount of \$99,800.00 for generators.

Mayor Bass asked how much would have to be paid? Finance Director Cathy Ezell said \$99,800 for all three generators. Mayor Bass asked if the \$4,000 still has to be matched? Finance Director Cathy Ezell said yes. Mayor Bass asked if the grants are going to pay for the rest? Finance Director Cathy Ezell said yes. Mayor Bass said good job on the grants. Mayor Bass asked why generators are needed at the lift stations? City Manager Lance Petty said it is a really important role for the lift station to have emergency power to it because the City has 29 lift stations and so, all the sewer transfers from station to station before it gets to the wastewater treatment plant and if there is no backup power at those locations and power is lost, then there is no pumping capacity there and things start to back up and can not flush toilets and things like that. Mr. Petty said it is very important to have these generators in place and these lift stations are brand new lift stations that were just replaced and this is the final touch for these three lift stations. Mayor Bass asked if the lift stations will be there permanently? City Manager Lance Petty said yes.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve the purchase of generators for Lift Station 3,4, and 14 to Worldwide Power Products in the amount of \$99,800.00, seconded by Councilman Cain with discussion that followed.

Councilman Pena said he had a question for Councilman Cain. Councilman Pena said Councilman Cain is in the generator business and he was going to lead on his expertise. Councilman Pena asked Councilman Cain if these dollars are in line with what he sees? Councilman Cain said he is in the pump business. Councilman Pena said to Councilman Cain that he has a pretty good knowledge and asked if these numbers look good to him? Councilman Cain said he is in the pump business. Councilman Pena asked Councilman Cain if these numbers looked good to him? Councilman Cain said they look better than the original numbers. Councilman Pena asked what were the original numbers? Finance Director Cathy Ezell said \$139,469.00.

Mayor Bass called the motion to a vote, with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved the motion.

Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2024-2845 authorizing application for Grant FY2025 Criminal Justice Grant # 5104301 Radio Interoperability Project.

Police Chief Jennifer Howell said the Police Department has a few more grants that they are going to be applying for and this is one of the grants that she will be discussing for radio interoperability. She said when she came here there was a lack of being able to quickly and easily communicate with other jurisdictions and this is a way for the department to be able to fix that. She said being able to expand on the radio and to be able to do what is called patching in where they can take a channel from Lake Jackson or a channel from Clute and patch that with a channel for Freeport where everybody can communicate on one channel. She said this prevents officers, dispatchers, fire, and EMS from flipping back and forth on their radio to communicate with different individuals, and it gives them the capability to be on just one channel and everybody can have open communication for some type of major event.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve Resolution No. 2024-2845 authorizing application for Grant FY2025 Criminal Justice Grant #5104301 Radio Interoperability Project, seconded by Councilman Pena with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved this motion.

Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2024-2846 authorizing application for Grant FY2025 Criminal Justice Grant # 5107601 Vehicle Radio Equipment Project.

Police Chief Jennifer Howell said this is another grant project for radios. She said the current radios that they have in the patrol units are over ten years old and Motorola, in their infamous wisdom, allows equipment to hit a certain year similar to where computer companies do, and then they say that equipment is the end of life, and they will no longer repair it and not make parts for it, which is their way of forcing you to need to buy new stuff. She said this grant was found that was eligible for that and this is the grant they like to put in to update that equipment.

Mayor Bass said this is just saying they support the Police Department in doing this and apply for it and this does not say there is the money for it. Police Chief Jennifer Howell said no, it is going to be up to the different offices that host the grant to determine the application, but as a part of the application process, they require resolution from the City saying that they agree and support it because there are certain rules that they have to complete with those grants.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve Resolution No. 2024-2846 authorizing application for Grant FY2025 Criminal Justice Grant #5107601 Vehicle Radio Equipment Project, seconded by Councilman Pena with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved this motion.

Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2024-2847 authorizing application for Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program # 5075701.

Police Chief Jennifer Howell said she is always looking for grants for them to be able to go after them and this is the opportunity for some bullet shield resistance to be able to incorporate with the patrol and CID officers. She said she was informed about this grant recently at a chief training and turnaround and hit up staff and was like hey lets kind of dig into this because it was 100% covered. Ms. Howell said it was an opportunity just for them to be able to get some more equipment to better provide staff.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve Resolution No. 2024-2847 authorizing application for Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program #5075701, seconded by Councilman Pena with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved this motion.

Consideration and possible action approving Freeport PD to sign a five (5) year contract with Axon Enterprise for in-car camera services.

Police Chief Jennifer Howell said recently they had updated some grants changing over to the City listing Mr. Petty on those grants. She said this is one of those grants where they are getting a new in-car camera system, and so part of that is a five-year commitment to the company. She said when you commit for five years you get a discount rate on an annual yearly service, which, obviously, is again something they would be interested in, and so she is requesting to authorize the Police Department to go into contract with that and for the Police Chief to sign that contract.

Mayor Bass asked how these in-car camera inspections are stored? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said this would be in the cloud. Mayor Bass asked if this is what the DA's office is doing now as well? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said the program that Axon uses is called evidence.com and the DA's office is going to have an account set up with evidence.com and this will allow them to be able to just upload those videos through the cloud to the DA's office instead of right now. She said they have to turn around, make copies of the disks, print up the paperwork, somebody drives over to the DA's office, physically hand somebody a disk, that person has to sign the paperwork, the person comes back to the police department, and then they have to do a supplement and turn that form into the case report. Mayor Bass said this will definitely cut down on the chain of custody. Police Chief Jennifer Howell said yes, it would allow more man-hours to do other things. Mayor Bass asked how the chain of custody is going to occur? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said they would turn around and list that specific item to be eligible to that specific person. Police Chief Jennifer Howell said if Mayor Bass was the prosecutor that was assigned to the case then she would turn around and submit for their email to have access to it for whatever period of time and then Mayor Bass as prosecutor would turn around and release that to any defense. Mayor Bass said this is what Mr. Sulleck said they were going to be doing. Police Chief Jennifer Howell said yes this is just a lot cleaner stream. Ms. Howell said this is what they did where she came from and is really happy to see Brazoria County moving up.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve Freeport PD to sign a five (5) year contract with Axon Enterprise for in-car camera services, seconded by Councilman Pena with discussion that followed.

Councilman Pena said he thinks this is a valuable program for sure. He said the information and live camera is going to be going to the cloud and asked if this is going to be stored locally to a hard drive in the vehicle first in the case there is like either poor signal and or no signal at all when they are out in the field? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said they will actually have a backup at the Police Department because then also they have to think of the aspect of if in five years or even before if Axon goes under for business wise then they close their door they will still have access to their videos. Councilman Pena asked if there is local storage in the vehicle? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said it is just a temporary storage and that turns around and uploads like when an officer goes to the police department then that video uploads. Councilman Pena asked what the capacity of the storage is in the car and how frequently it would be cleared? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said she does not know the capacity but anytime the patrol car goes to the Police Department whether it is to meet a citizen and or do a report it automatically starts downloading. Mayor Bass asked if it has an automatic backup when it pulls up to the main server at the Police Department? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said yes. Councilman Pena asked what is the warranty and repair agreement in terms of that equipment failing? Councilman Pena asked if there is an additional expense to repair any of those devices or do they repair them? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said they were two different options in everything. Chief Howell said there was the option for the limited warranty and the other option where they automatically replace things and it was a lot more expensive option and so she said they decided to just go for the general warranty option. Chief Howell said this is the same company that produces the tasers and they have had successful luck in everything with the tasers. She said there is a number of agencies that use Axon and the warranty is limited she said she believes it is three years for the warranty but will double check. She said they will have a series of time where they would potentially have to have costs and repairs out of their own pocket. Councilman Pena what the total savings was between being in a five year contract and not being in the five year contract? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said she was not sure. Councilman Pena asked how viable did Chief Howell feel this company was and is the data secured and for that matter is there a backup plan? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said any company you go with could belly up at any minute whether it is a Ford or Chevrolet and buying a vehicle or buying a camera system. Police Chief Jennifer Howell said Axon had been around for a number of years and they are now taser model number ten kind of similar to Apple and they originally started so they have been through a series of years. Chief Howell said she thinks they may have been around for fifteen to twenty years but they are a successful company that has a good turn around. Police Chief Jennifer Howell said the mentality is you do want to prepare and plan if they do go belly up so that is why they wanted to have the backup for the data so that way they would still have availability for that data. Councilman Pena asked but not necessarily a backup provider? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said no but at that point four years down the road if that happens then they would want to go out again and see who has the best product on the market at that time that is going to meet the department needs and budget needs. Councilman Pena said he liked the apple analogy and is also glad they are going to be limited the chain of custody problems that they are facing now but his biggest concern is the data integrity and making sure that there is no oopsies so that it is lost because there is always a lot of eyes and ears watching the police out and about and when they lose that information it looks very suspect. Councilman Pena asked if Police Chief Jennifer Howell felt confident that they are moving in a stronger direction so that with the chance of them losing any field video will be lost or be handled at a better more secure level? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said she has had previous experience with Axon and has not had any negative encounters with them and does not know of any other agency that has but is there always a change that you have a piece of data that gets distorted in some way or there is some type of file that get damage and unfortunately those things still happen.

Mayor Bass called the motion to a vote, with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved the motion.

Consideration and possible action approving Freeport PD to sign a five (5) year contract with Axon Enterprise for body camera services.

Police Chief Jennifer Howell said this is the same as the previous item that was for the in-car, and these are for the current body cameras, because it has the benefit of keeping everything on the same type of camera system, and so, when patrol officers activate their lights, then it turns on the in-car camera. She said when there is the same body camera you can actually program it where everything turns on at the same time, and that is one of

the other reasons why they would like to stick with Axon for the body camera, and so this is also to be able to go with them for a five-year contract as well.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve Freeport PD to sign a five (5) year contract with Axon Enterprise for body camera services, seconded by Councilman Pena with discussion that followed.

Councilman Pena said Police Chief Howell mentioned the synchronization with the body camera as well as the in-car camera/ dash camera and asked if it is automatically turned on when the lights hit and the sirens are hit or so they are all turned on at the same time? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said yes, it can be programmed when the lights activate, then the in-car camera turns on and then the body camera turns on, but it can all be programmed to sync up together. Councilman Pena asked when the cameras are turned off? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said they are manually turned off and that it is usually at the end of the call for service the officer deactivates it, and then they go to their vehicle and deactivate that.

Mayor Bass said years ago when DPS had an issue with their officer they would make them run with their body camera on the entire time. Mayor Bass asked Police Chief Jennifer Howell if she has ever felt if she has to have somebody run a body camera during their shift the whole time? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said no she has not had anything of that nature come up.

Mayor Bass called the motion to a vote, with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved the motion.

Consideration and possible action approving Freeport PD to sign a five (5) year contract with Axon Enterprise for interview room camera services.

Police Chief Jennifer Howell said that they have the interviews being held they also have a camera system there and this is just trying to keep everything in the same company. She said this would be at the Police Department.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve Freeport PD to sign a five (5) year contract with Axon Enterprise for interview room camera services, seconded by Councilman Cain with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved this motion.

Consideration and possible action approving Resolution No. 2024-2848 deeming items surplus and donating to local agency.

Police Chief Jennifer Howell said this is a number of handheld radios the Police Department replaced a little over two years ago prior to her arrival, where they replaced and updated their handheld radios through a grant, and these are some of the old handheld radios that were previously purchased through an older grant. She said they had these radios, but they had been in storage and Oyster Creek Police Department reached out to them and asked if they still had any usable radios because they were kind of in a bit of a need. She said, and obviously, they want to help the neighboring agencies if they can. Chief Howell said they wanted to see if they could have those deemed surplus and then go ahead and donate those to Oyster Creek PD.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to approve Resolution No. 2024-2848 deeming items surplus and donating to local agency, seconded by Councilman Pena with discussion that followed.

Councilman Pena asked if the items were only the radios? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said the radios and chargers.

Mayor Bass asked other items that were surplus? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said only the handheld radios and the chargers. Mayor Bass asked if they would be giving pistols or body armor? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said no.

Councilman Matamoros asked if this is only donating radios and base chargers? Police Chief Jennifer Howell

said yes. Councilman Matamoros asked if for some reason these items fail will we be responsible if something was to go catastrophically wrong during a call or something? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said no it is just a used equipment type of agreement that goes that warranty will not be provided or any guarantee and or anything as far as battery life.

Councilman Pena asked if there was any kind of written agreement that it will be conveyed that the property and have assume no liability that they provide? Police Chief Jennifer Howell said this goes before the Council, passes the Council, and then there would be something signed up between her Police Department and Oyster Creek Police Department that would state the radios that were being turned over with serial numbers and then provide Oyster Creek Police Department a copy of what the Council approved and then just stating that there is no warranty.

Mayor Bass called the motion to a vote, with all present voting "Aye" 5-0 council unanimously approved the motion.

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.

Councilman Pena Ward A announcements and comments.

Councilman Pena said he wanted to thank everyone that attended the meeting and spoke. He said he knows it is not easy and so to voice their opinions and express their thoughts as to what would help the City move in the right direction, he definitely tips his hat off to them. Councilman Pena said he wanted to congratulate Ms. Queen also for all her services she has had in Freeport, and it is nice to see that recognition. Councilman Pena thanked Mr. Petty for helping to facilitate that. Councilman Pena said he would like to have on the agenda for the next meeting a full disclosure of and status update for the public consumption of the investigation of Covarrubias and the collection of that \$345,000. He said he would also like to publicly request again that, as a citizen, that the CFO Ms. Ezell is relieved of her duties just the same as Mr. Kelty was for his illegal wire. Councilman Pena said he would also like an agenda item for the downtown infrastructure financing because last week there was a great meeting actually between the EDC, Main Street, and the TIRZ board that highlighted the plans for the EDC 8.8 acres along the river. He said what was awesome was that they had wonderful pictures, and he was sure the EDC would be glad to share them. He said what was awesome about it was that they had the whole process of how that would be developed and the first part of that was the need for a new scalable infrastructure and that was applied to the 8.8 acres, and what was discovered at that particular meeting was that the same approach would be applied to downtown and so that when moving forward into trying to revitalize downtown between those three groups and all the volunteers involved that the infrastructure finance needs stop be looked at and for that matter prioritize. Councilman Pena said he is hoping the EDC, Main Street, TIRZ, and as well as the City can put that on the agenda to discuss and start exploring how they are going to put that in the budget going forward or for that matter find a different budget or different grants and financing for it. Councilman Pena said he would also like to request a workshop based on that same conversation and presentation of short-term rentals as the EDC is looking to promote short term rental investment in the Downtown area. He said maybe there would be a better understanding of the short term rental issues so that the ordinance that was passed this evening can be amended so that taxes can be legally collected. Councilman Pena said he wanted to thank the Police Department for putting the Citizens Police Academy back on the calendar and he invites every resident to participate and submit an application.

Councilman Cain Ward B announcements and comments.

Councilman Cain said he wanted to thank everyone that came out and especially those who spoke in front of the Council. He said if he had a hat he would tip his hat to Ms. Ana Silbas put on another wonderful, well-attended event in Downtown. He said the Community Resource Fair, and he said this takes a lot of time, ambition, manpower, and a lot of women power to put something like this together and Ms. Silbas has done a wonderful job at creating these on a somewhat regular basis. Councilman Cain said if Ana Silbas was watching he wanted to thank her for a good job and to keep doing what she was doing. He also said Ms. Silbas had mentioned that on March 26 at River Place from 5:30P.M. to 7:30P.M. they will be having a Community Vision Session. He said this is an opportunity to go and speak about what they see and what they feel is important to them when it comes to the Downtown area. He said he encourages everyone to go and get some good ideas and get this moving.

Councilman Matamoros Ward C announcements and comments.

Councilman Matamoros said he would like to thank all the residents that attended in person, viewed online, and also those residents and visitors that spoke. He said he would also like to thank the City of Freeport Parks and Recreation staff who produced a fabulous daddy-daughter dance. Councilman Matamoros said he attended with his daughters and to see the smile on his daughters face with laughter and, along with the other daughters and dads, it was a great event. He said he would like to thank them for their hard work, and it was wonderfully done. He said there was a really good article in the newspaper showing the conditions of the parks and the parks project that is being undertaken by the EDC and the City. He said there are meetings being undertaken with community partners, and he believes pretty soon there will be more news about that, but there has been a lot of undue criticism of this project by residents who have stated that the parks are in good condition and that is not the case. Councilman Matamoros said if you do not have a child who uses a park, go and drive by. He said the City does their best with the funds they have available to maintain them. He said there was a lot of equipment he played on when he was a kid, and it is just time to upgrade them from the ground up. Councilman Matamoros said he challenges any business who calls Freeport home or does business in Freeport to consider possibly partnering with the EDC or the City for a very good cause, because there are a lot of things that could be done.

Councilman Rossow Ward D announcements and comments.

Councilman Rossow said he is like everyone else and would like to thank everyone who attended the meeting, even those who were watching online. He said he did his usual ride around in the City of Freeport, and he had never seen it look as good as it does, but that is his opinion. He said there is not nearly as much trash as always used to be. Councilman Rossow said he appreciates everyone for taking it upon themselves. He said he knows the cleanup day is coming up and hopes everyone can participate in that. He said he had the opportunity to go to the Parks and Recreation meeting and some exciting things are going to happen in Freeport, and he hopes everyone gets ready for it. He said he hopes everyone participates in the yard of the month and business of the month and is excited about it. He said he is also excited about what is about to happen over where they are going to build houses, a track, and a soccer field. He said he gets excited when he sees new growth in Freeport.

Mayor Brooks Bass announcements and comments.

City Manager Lance Petty announcements and comments.

City Manager Lance Petty said he wanted to let everyone know that city hall would be closed March 8th. He said services would be closed because the server would have to be moved on Friday morning to get it to the new facility, but would be back up and running for business at the new location on Monday, March 11th. Mr. Petty said for water billing they had to move up the water bills by a week and so this month's bill that is coming out is only going to be three weeks of service and then the following month would be five weeks of service. He said the bills would be a lot fewer this time and so there would be a little more next time just because of the difference in the usage in the billing process, because they had to get everything billed out and processed prior to us being able to get moved and get the server in place to make sure everything is up and running. Councilman Pena asked if that meant the bills for March would be lower and the bills for April would be

bigger? City Manager Lance Petty said the bills for February would be lower and the bills for March would be higher. Councilman Pena asked when the cleanup day was? City Manager Lance Petty said April 27th, and would also be working like last year to put out a no permit yard sale weekend prior to the clean up, and that way they can try to get a lot more things out of the City.

A motion was made by Mayor Bass to allow Lance Petty in the Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Pena.

A motion was made by Councilman Pena to allow Chief Howell, a Police Officer, or any Commissioned Officer that is employed by the City of Freeport to be in Executive Session for his personal safety. Motion died due to a lack of a second.

CLOSED SESSION:

Executive Session regarding a.) (Consultation with Attorney) Update on City Hall pursuant to section 551.071 b.) (Deliberations about Real Property) Update on Heritage House pursuant to section 551.072.

The regular session closed at 7:25P.M. and Council entered into the Executive Session.

COUNCIL BUSINESS – REGULAR SESSION:

Take any action resulting from Executive Session.

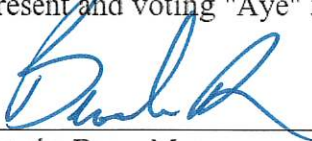
Executive Session ended at 7:44P.M. and Council entered back into regular session.

There was no action from Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Adjourn

A motion was made by Councilman Pena to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Cain with all present and voting "Aye" 5-0. Mayor Bass adjourned the meeting at 7:44P.M.



Brooks Bass, Mayor



Clarisa Molina, City Secretary