



**AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
FREEPORT CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023 AT 6:00 PM**

Mayor:

Brooks Bass

Council Members:

Jeff Pena

Jerry Cain

George Matamoros

Winston Rossow

City Manager:

Timothy Kelty

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, TEXAS, WILL MEET ON MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023 AT 6:00 PM, AT THE FREEPORT, POLICE DEPARTMENT, MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM, 430 NORTH BRAZOSPORT BOULEVARD FREEPORT TEXAS

This meeting will be live streamed via Facebook Live and may be accessed on the City of Freeport Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/freeporttexas>

THE MEETING IS BEING HELD FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

CALL TO ORDER: The Mayor will call the meeting to order, declare a quorum if present, and declare notices legally posted pursuant to Open Meetings Act.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: (Council Member)

CITIZENS' COMMENTS:

Members of the public are allowed to address the City Council at this time, and must include name and address. Note, specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to an inquiry made, but any deliberation, discussion, or decision with respect to any subject about which the inquiry was made shall be limited to a proposal to place such subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting for which notice is provided in compliance with the Texas Open meetings Act unless said notice appears herein. The public is reminded that there is a (4) minute time limit as approved by City Council on June 21, 2010.

PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS: Announcements by Mayor, City Council and/or Staff.

1. Employee of the Month for July. **(Tim Kelty)**

CONSENT AGENDA:

Consent Agenda items are considered to be routine in nature and may be acted upon in one motion. Any item requiring additional discussion may be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda by the Mayor, Councilmember or City Manager, and acted upon separately.

2. Consideration and possible action on the approval of City Council Meeting Minutes, from August 7, 2023, and Special Meeting Meeting Minutes from August 14, 2023. **(Betty Wells)**
3. Consideration and possible action changing the first meeting in September to Tuesday September 5th **(Betty Wells)**

COUNCIL BUSINESS – REGULAR SESSION:

4. Proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget Discussion. **(Cathy Ezell)**
5. Consideration and possible action on a Resolution Amending the City of Freeport Master Fee Schedule adjusting the rates for sewer taps, water rates and sewer rates. **(Cathy Ezell)**
6. Discussion and possible action on Ordinance releasing ETJ controlled by the City of Freeport to the city of Brazoria for planning and development purposes by the City of Brazoria. **(Tim Kelty)**
7. Consideration regarding first reading of EDC project; 2023-2024 Local Business Improvement Grant Program. **(Robert Johnson)**
8. Consideration and possible action approving a resolution revising the Personnel Policy Manual regarding Mental Health Leave for Dispatchers, personal appearance protections, and incentive for voluntary payroll deduction for United Way. **(Donna Fisher)**
9. Consideration and possible action to approve FEMA American Firefighter Grant for portable radios in the amount of \$216,000.00 **(Christopher Motley)**
10. Consideration and possible action to approve the purchase of a modular building for Fire Station #2. **(Christopher Motley)**

WORK SESSION:

11. **The City Council may deliberate and make inquiry into any item listed in the Work Session.**
 - A. Mayor Brooks Bass announcements and comments.
 - B. Councilman Pena Ward A announcements and comments.
 - C. Councilman Cain Ward B announcements and comments.

- D. Councilman Matamoros Ward C announcements and comments.
- E. Councilman Rossow Ward D announcements and comments.
- F. City Manager Tim Kelty announcements and comments.
- G. Updates on current infrastructure.
- H. Update on reports / concerns from Department heads.

CLOSED SESSION:

- 12. Executive Session regarding a.) (Consultation with Attorney) Pending or potential Litigation, Civil Action No. 3:22-cv-00284; Brennon Malone v. City of Freeport, in accordance with the Texas Government Code Annotated, Chapter 551, Sections 551.071.

COUNCIL BUSINESS – REGULAR SESSION:

- 13. Take any action resulting from Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

- 14. Adjourn

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).

ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the City Secretary's Office at (979) 233-3526.

CERTIFICATE I certify the foregoing notice was posted in the official glass case at the rear door of the City Hall, with 24 hours a day public access, 200 West 2nd Street, Freeport Texas, before 6:00 p.m. in accordance with Open Meetings Act.

Betty Wells, City Secretary,
City of Freeport, Texas