



**City of Freeport**  
**PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING**  
5:30 p.m./Council Chambers/Freeport City Hall  
September 11, 2018 Minutes

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

The September 11, 2018 Freeport City Council Budget Workshop was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Russ Barley. The meeting was held in City Council Chambers of Freeport City Hall.

Council Members present: Mayor Russ Barley, Councilwoman Elizabeth Brannon, Councilman Eddie Farris, Councilwoman Amanda Green, Councilwoman Elizabeth Haffner and Councilman William “Boots” McCormick

**II. Staff present: City Clerk Rebecca Podraza, City Attorney Clay Adkinson, Finance Officer Sara Bowers, Water Supervisor Larry Tuggle.**

**III. 2018/2019 Budget**

The Mayor turned the meeting over to City Attorney Clay Adkinson.

Attorney Adkinson announced that this is the first Public Budget Hearing for the 2018/2019 Budget. Adkinson announced the millage of 4.7302 which is greater than the roll back rate of 4.6206 mills by 2.37%.

Attorney Adkinson announced the total tentative budget is \$14,266,570.00

*Council Action: Councilman Farris made a motion to adopt the millage rate of 4.7302. Councilwoman Green seconded the motion. All ayes, (Brannon, Farris, Green, Haffner, McCormick); motion carried.*

*Council Action: Councilman McCormick made a motion to adopt the tentative budget of \$14,266,570.00. Councilman Farris seconded the motion. All ayes, (Brannon, Farris, Green, Haffner McCormick); motion carried.*

*Council Action: Councilman Farris made a motion to set the Final Public Budget Hearing for September 25, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. Councilman McCormick seconded the motion. All ayes, (Brannon, Farris, Green, Haffner, McCormick); motion carried.*

The City of Freeport may take action on any matter during this meeting, including items that are not set forth within this agenda.

In accordance with Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons with disabilities needing special accommodations to participate in this meeting should contact the City Clerk’s office at 850-835-2822 by 5:00 p.m. on the day prior to the meeting.

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**IV. Adjournment**

Mayor Barley adjourned the meeting at 5:32 p.m.

**FREEPORT CITY COUNCIL**

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Mayor

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