



**City of Freeport**  
5:30 PM Public Hearing  
Council Chambers/Freeport City Hall  
September 26, 2017  
Minutes

**I. Meeting Opened**

The September 26, 2017 Council 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, Councilwoman Kasey Cuchens, Councilman Eddie Farris, Councilwoman Amanda Green, and Councilman William “Boots” McCormick

Staff present: City Clerk Rebecca Podraza, City Attorney Clay Adkinson, Finance Officer Sara Bowers, and City Planner Latilda Hughes-Neel.

**II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

The invocation was given by Councilwoman Cuchens, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**III. 2017/2018 Budget**

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

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

Council Action: Councilman Farris made a motion to adopt a final budget of \$10,310,250.00. Councilwoman Brannon seconded the motion. Four ayes, (Brannon, Farris, Green, McCormick); one nay, (Cuchens); motion carried.

Council Action: Councilman Farris made a motion to approve the Resolution adopting the final budget for Fiscal year 2017/2018 in sequence with the next Resolution Number available which is 2017-10. Councilman McCormick seconded the motion. Four ayes, (Brannon, Farris, Green, McCormick); one nay, (Cuchens); motion carried.

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**IV Adjournment**

Mayor Barley adjourned the meeting at 5:09 p.m.

**FREEPORT CITY COUNCIL**

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Mayor

**ATTEST**

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City Clerk

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