



**City of Freeport
WORKSHOP**

6:00 p.m./Council Chambers/Freeport City Hall a
July 07, 2016 Agenda

I. Meeting Opened

The July 7th 2016 Workshop was called to order at 6:00 PM by Councilwoman McLean. The meeting was held in City Council Chambers of Freeport City Hall.

Council members present: Councilman Eddie Farris, Councilwoman Kasey Cuchens, Councilwoman Janice McLean, and Councilwoman Jennifer Laird.

Absent: Mayor Russ Barley & Councilwoman Elizabeth Brannon

Staff present: City Clerk Rebecca Podraza, City Attorney Clayton Adkinson

II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The invocation was given by Councilman Farris, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

III. Budget Review

Councilwoman McLean began the meeting with a quick overview of the Service Order Report for grinder pump installations between Oct. 1, 2015 and June of 2016. Since the Sewer Department has been installing the pumps in-house, it has saved the City approximately \$70,000.00.

Councilwoman McLean gave an overview of the tax base increase since 2012 and the tax savings over the past 5 years.

Councilwoman McLean presented the Sewer Fund Revenue budget as well as the Sewer Expenditure Budget for 2016/2017 and reviewed with the Council the estimations for the upcoming year. The Revenue and Expenditures balance with a total of \$1,025,000.00

The Salary Budget was discussed by Council and it was suggested that a Cost of Living Raise be added to the next Regular Council Meeting Agenda. City Clerk Podraza agreed to add COLA to the agenda at the next Council Meeting scheduled for July 12, 2016.

City Attorney Adkinson informed the Council that he will be meeting with Walton County on July 20th in regards to the Interlocal Road Maintenance Agreement between the County and the City of Freeport.

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Adjournment

Councilwoman McLean called for a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Cuchens motioned to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm.

FREEPORT CITY COUNCIL

Mayor

Council President

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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