



## City Council

City Council Chambers ♦ 524 West Stephenson Street, 3rd Floor ♦ Freeport, IL 61032

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### AGENDA

#### REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M.

Call to Order

Call the Roll

Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderperson Miller

1. Approval of Agenda.....Voice Vote
2. Public Comments – Agenda Items (*limited to 3 minutes per person*)
3. Approval of [Minutes of January 4, 2016](#).....Voice Vote
4. Consent Agenda.....Roll Call Vote  
*All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as the first item after approval of the Consent Agenda. [Consent Agenda PDF](#)*
  - A. Approval to receive and place on file:
    - 1) City Treasurer’s Monthly Investment Report for December 31, 2015
    - 2) City Treasurer’s Report of Cash and Fund Balances for December 31, 2015
    - 3) Building Permit Report for December 2015
  - B. Approval of Motor Fuel Tax Fund Bills Payable (Register #077) -- \$73,066.93
  - C. Approval of Water & Sewer Bills Payable (Registers #468, 470, 473, 474) --- \$346,000.95
  - D. Approval of Payroll for pay period ending January 9, 2016 --- \$406,471.25
  - E. Approval of Finance Bills Payable (Registers #467, 469, 471, 472, 475, 476, 477) -- \$611,412.90

If applicable – Items removed from Consent Agenda
5. Presentation of Northwest Illinois Demographic Data on Economy & Work Force – [view doc](#)  
*Dave Young, Director NIDA and Lisa McCarthy, Director TCEDA*
6. Presentation by Freeport Downtown Development Foundation regarding 2015 reporting – [view doc](#)
7. Effective immediately, Mayor James L. Gitz hereby appoints Michael Leslie, a licensed professional engineer and licensed structural engineer, to the Building Commission – [view appt](#)  
*This appointment was moved for approval of confirmation on a motion by Alderperson Koester and a second by Alderperson Klemm at the council meeting on January 4, 2016. It was then sent to the Committee of the Whole for further discussion. This appointment was recommended to council by the Committee of the Whole on January 11, 2016.*

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### ORDINANCES -- SECOND READING

[View memorandum](#) regarding Ord. #2016-01, 02, 03, 04, and 05 Bond Abatement Ordinances

8. [2<sup>nd</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2016-01:](#) An Ordinance To Abate The 2015 Real Estate Tax Levy For The Repayment Of The General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013  
*The first reading was held on January 4, 2016. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Koester, seconded by Alderperson Klemm and it was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.....Roll Call Vote*
9. [2<sup>nd</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2016-02:](#) An Ordinance To Abate The 2015 Real Estate Tax Levy For The Repayment Of The General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013A  
*The first reading was held on January 4, 2016. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson McClanathan, seconded by Alderperson Brashaw and it was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.....Roll Call Vote*
10. [2<sup>nd</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2016-03:](#) An Ordinance To Abate The 2015 Real Estate Tax Levy For The Repayment Of The General Obligation Bonds, Series 2014A .....Automatic Layover  
*The first reading was held on January 4, 2016. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Brashaw, seconded by Alderperson Busker and it was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.....Roll Call Vote*
11. [2<sup>nd</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2016-04:](#) An Ordinance To Abate The 2015 Real Estate Tax Levy For The Repayment Of The General Obligation Bonds, Series 2014B  
*The first reading was held on January 4, 2016. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Busker, seconded by Alderperson Klemm and it was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.....Roll Call Vote*
12. [2<sup>nd</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2016-05:](#) An Ordinance To Abate The 2015 Real Estate Tax Levy For The Repayment Of The General Obligation Bonds, Series 2015A  
*The first reading was held on January 4, 2016. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson McClanathan, seconded by Alderperson Ross and it was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.....Roll Call Vote*
13. [2<sup>nd</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2016-06:](#) An Ordinance To Approve the Editing and Inclusion of Certain Ordinances As Parts of the Various Component Codes of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Freeport, Illinois (May 19, 2014 to November 16, 2015)  
*The first reading was held on January 4, 2016. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Klemm, seconded by Alderperson Ross and it was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.....Roll Call Vote*
14. [2<sup>nd</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2015-53:](#) An Ordinance Amending Chapter Chapter 290 (Compensation and Benefits) Section 290.11 (Leaves of Absence "Vacation Leaves") of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Freeport  
*The first reading was held on December 21, 2015. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Miller, seconded by Alderperson Chesney. The ordinance was forwarded to the Committee of the Whole for further discussion. At the Committee of the Whole meeting held on January 11, 2016, an amendment version of the ordinance marked as Option B (dated 01/06/2016) was recommended to council.*  
[Ordinance #2015-53 Option B as amended by Special Counsel Phillips 01/6/2016](#)     [compare A to B](#)  
.....Motion to adopt amended ordinance marked as Option B (dated 01/06/2016)  
.....Roll Call Vote

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### ORDINANCES -- FIRST READING

15. [1<sup>st</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2016-07](#): An Ordinance Directing the Sale of Surplus Real Estate Containing the Vacant Fire Station Located at 1819 South West Avenue in the City of Freeport, Illinois  
*This ordinance was recommended by council by the Committee of the Whole on January 11, 2016*  
.....Automatic Layover
16. [1<sup>st</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2016-08](#): Special Ordinance for Variation Permit or Amendment of Codified Ordinances of Freeport, Illinois  
*A petition was filed by Bowen Oil Company for the property located at 511 East Stephenson Street, Freeport, Illinois (PIN 18-14-31-227-005, PT NE ¼ SEC 31 T26N R8E of 4th Principal Meridian and PT NW ¼ SEC 32 T26N R8E of 4th Principal Meridian). The relief sought by the documents on file: zoning map amendment from M-3 (Heavy Industrial District) to B-3 (Commercial and Wholesale Business District). This ordinance was unanimously recommended to council by the Planning Commission in their meeting held on January 7, 2016 and there were no written objections filed on the petition therefore council may take final action this reading.*  
.....Roll Call Vote
17. [1<sup>st</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2016-09](#): Special Ordinance for Variation Permit or Amendment of Codified Ordinances of Freeport, Illinois  
*A petition was filed by Bowen Oil Company for the property located at 511 East Stephenson Street, Freeport, Illinois (PIN 18-14-31-227-005, PT NE ¼ SEC 31 T26N R8E of 4th Principal Meridian and PT NW ¼ SEC 32 T26N R8E of 4th Principal Meridian for approval of a Special Use Permit under Section 1252.01(b)(11) "Package liquor stores and any establishment selling alcoholic beverages for consumption on or off the premises", per 1252.05(b)(1)(B-3 Commercial and Wholesale Business District) of Chapter 1252 (Business Districts) of the City of Freeport Codified Ordinances to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages in a B-3 Commercial & Wholesale Business Zoning Classification. This ordinance was unanimously recommended to council by the Planning Commission in their meeting held on January 7, 2016 and there were no written objections filed on the petition therefore council may take final action this reading.*  
.....Roll Call Vote
18. [1<sup>st</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2016-10](#): Special Ordinance for Variation Permit or Amendment of Codified Ordinances of Freeport, Illinois  
*A petition was filed by Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie #679 for the property located at 1200 West Galena Avenue, Freeport Illinois (PIN 18-13-25-383-023) for approval of a special use permit under Section 1252.01(b)(10) "Restaurants with outdoor serving areas; however, if alcoholic beverages are to be served, such restaurant must be in compliance with Section 806.17", per 1252.05(b)(1) (B-3 Commercial and Wholesale Business District) of Chapter 1252 (Business Districts) of the City of Freeport Codified Ordinances to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages in an outdoor restaurant area in a B-3 Commercial and Wholesale Business District Zoning Classification. This ordinance was unanimously recommended to council by the Planning Commission in their meeting held on January 7, 2016 and there were no written objections filed on the petition therefore council may take final action this reading.*  
.....Roll Call Vote
19. [1<sup>st</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2016-11](#): An Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 868 (Taxicabs) Of The Codified Ordinances Of The City Of Freeport [view changes version 1 to 3](#)

### OTHER

20. Discussion of whistleblower policy [sample #1](#) [sample #2](#)

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21. Reports of Department Heads

22. Mayor's Report

23. Council Announcements/New Business

24. Public Comments – Agenda or Non-Agenda Items *(limited to 3 minutes per person)*

25. Executive Session (Closed Session)

- Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

26. Approval of proposed settlement agreement as recommended from executive session (closed session)

27. Adjournment

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