



City Council

City Council Chambers ♦ 230 West Stephenson Street ♦ Freeport, IL 61032

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

Monday, December 3, 2007, at 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderman Corbin

Recognitions

- **FHS Athletes IHSA State Qualifiers - Golf**
- **Aquin Catholic Jr. - Sr. High School for their collection of 22,408 food items to stock the Freeport Area Church Cooperative and donation of 23 Thanksgiving baskets.**

Presentations

- **Little Cubs Field by Dennis Garkey**
- **Freeport Downtown Development Foundation (FDDF) by Terri Reid and Cal Wescott**

An informational item on which items are sent to City Council and the timing of the items will be presented by Corporation Counsel Sarah Griffin

1. Approval of the Agenda..... Voice Vote

2. Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting Monday, November 19, 2007.....Roll Call

3. Public Comments – Agenda Items (limited to 3 minutes per person)

4. Consent Agenda.....Roll Call

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) **Treasurer’s Office Schedule of Tax Receipts through October 31, 2007**
- 2) **Treasurer’s Monthly Investment Report for period ended October 31, 2007**
- 3) **Community Development Building Permits - month of November 2007**
- 4) **Board of Zoning Appeals & Planning Commission items–December 6, 2007**
- 5) **United Water letter to Water & Sewer Commission – November 26, 2007**

B. Approval of Bills Payable for November 2007 (#40, #41, #42) ---- \$270,856.98

C. Approval of Payroll for period ended November 24, 2007 --- \$384,486.22

D. Approval of Water and Sewer Disbursements for date ---- \$209,535.42

Items Removed from Consent Agenda

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Ordinances – Second Reading

- 5. 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2007-84: An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2007, and ending April 30, 2008 for the City of Freeport, County of Stephenson, and State of Illinois. Explanation – There is hereby levied upon all property subject to taxation within the corporate limits of the City of Freeport, Illinois, as the same is assessed and equalized for State and County taxation, for the fiscal year 2007-2008 the sum of Two Million Four Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Seven Dollars (\$2,487,137) or so much thereof as may be authorized by law, the same being for general corporate purposes, for streets, for contribution to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, for the Police Pension Fund, and for the Firemen’s Pension Fund, such levy being itemized in the documents given.

First reading of this ordinance was held on November 19, 2007. A motion to approve was given by Alderman Helms, seconded by Alderman Klemm and the ordinance was automatically laid over to tonight’s meeting.

.....**Roll Call**

- 6. 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2007-85: An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2007, and ending April 30, 2008 for the Public Library City of Freeport County of Stephenson and State of Illinois. Explanation - The total amount of One Million One Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars (\$1,152,554) which constitutes the total amount that the City of Freeport requires to be raised by taxation for the 2007-2008 Fiscal Year of said City for Public Library Purposes.

First reading of this ordinance was held on November 19, 2007. A motion to approve was given by Alderman Helms, seconded by Alderwoman O’Neill and the ordinance was automatically laid over to tonight’s meeting.

.....**Roll Call**

- 7. 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2007-86: An Ordinance Authorizing a Feasibility Study Concerning the Redevelopment of Certain Property and Creating an Interested Persons Registry within the City of Freeport, Illinois (West Avenue Tax Increment Financing Area)

First reading of this ordinance was held on November 19, 2007. A motion to approve was given by Alderman Helms, seconded by Alderwoman O’Neill and the ordinance was automatically laid over to tonight’s meeting.

.....**Roll Call**

- 8. 2nd Reading of Ordinance #2007-87: An Ordinance Authorizing Exchange of Real Estate (Parking Lot #1 - located at the southeast corner of Stephenson Street and Adams Avenue with the legal description of Lot 10 and the Westerly 40.33 feet of Lot 9 in Block 44 of Carters Re-subdivision of Original Town owned by the City of Freeport and Parking Lot #2 - located at the southwest corner of Main Street and Adams Avenue with the legal description of Lot 6 in Block 39 of Carter Re-Subdivision of Original Town (Except Part Taken for Highway purposes in Book 12-120) owned by Newell Co.)

First reading of this ordinance was held on November 19, 2007. A motion to approve was given by Alderman Helms, seconded by Alderman Endress and the ordinance was automatically laid over to tonight’s meeting.

.....**Roll Call**

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9. [2nd Reading of Ordinance #2007-91](#): An Special Ordinance for Variation, Permit or Amendment of Codified Ordinances of Freeport, Illinois, requesting a zoning change from R6 (Multi Family Residence) to B2-1 (Limited Service Business) for 1163 West Empire Street, Freeport, Illinois

This ordinance was recommended to the City Council by the Planning Commission by unanimous vote on November 8, 2007. First reading of this ordinance was held on November 19, 2007. A motion to approve was given by Alderman Klemm, seconded by Alderman Endress and the ordinance was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.

.....**Roll Call**

Ordinances – First Reading

10. [1st Reading of Ordinance #2007-92](#): An Ordinance to Approve the Editing and Inclusion of Certain Ordinances as Parts of the Various Component Codes of the Codified Ordinance of the City of Freeport, Illinois – ordinance updates for American Legal Publishing

This ordinance was recommended to the City Council by the Committee of the Whole at the November 19, 2007 meeting by unanimous vote on a motion by Alderwoman O'Neill and a second by Alderman Endress.

.....**Automatic Layover**

11. [1st Reading of Ordinance #2007-93](#): An Ordinance Amending Chapter 290 (Compensation and Benefits) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Freeport, Illinois – increase in salary structure for non-bargaining employees

This ordinance was recommended to the City Council by the Committee of the Whole this evening

.....**Automatic Layover**

Resolutions

12. [Resolution #R-2007-99](#): A Resolution to Authorize an Agreement with Wal-Mart for Police Services Regarding Building Security During Certain Timeframes During December 2007 and January 2008

Chief Jerry Whitmore will present resolution to Council

.....**Voice Vote**

13. Department Head Reports

Community Development

Finance

- Six Month Financial Update – refer to letter dated 11/28/2007 from Duane Price
- Ambulance Billing Services – refer to letter dated 11/28/2007 from Duane Price
- Enterprise Zone distribution of fee

Public Works

- RCT recommendation on the Architectural/Engineer following the request for qualification for the Rawleigh Building

Water and Sewer

Police

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Fire

- An informational item about the fire at Hosmer

14. Mayor's Report – Retreat dates and items to cover

15. New Business

16. Public Comments - Non-Agenda Items (limited to 3 minutes per person)

17. Adjournment