



City Council

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

AGENDA REGULAR MEETING Monday, December 15, 2014 at 6:00 P.M.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderperson Koester

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

2. Approval of Minutes from meetings held on December 1, 2014.....Voice Vote

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

4. Presentations

- Freeport Police Department Life Saving Awards
- Northwest Illinois Development Alliance (NIDA) Report and Discussion – [view PDF](#)

5. 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 period ended November 30, 2014
- 2) City Treasurer's Report of Cash & Fund Balances for period ended November 30, 2014
- 3) Community Development Report on Activities for November 2014 including Building Permits, Electrical, HVAC, Plumbing and Sign Permits

B. Approval of an Appointment of Mary Beth Eilders as Deputy City Clerk

C. Approval of Motor Fuel Bills Payable (Register #MFT-0052) --- \$5,063.11

D. Approval of Water and Sewer Bills Payable (Registers #261, 262, 263) ---\$346,924.53

E. Approval of Payroll for pay period ending November 29, 2014 --- \$413,900.83

F. Approval of Finance Bills Payable (Registers #259, 260, 264, 265) --- \$1,235,877.36

G. Approval of \$25,000 to Northwest Illinois Development Alliance from Tax Increment Funds

If applicable – Items removed from Consent Agenda

ORDINANCES –SECOND READING

6. [2ND READING OF ORDINANCE #2014-53](#): AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2014, AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2015 FOR THE CITY OF FREEPORT, COUNTY OF STEPHENSON, AND STATE OF ILLINOIS – [view summary of history](#)

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The first reading of this ordinance was held on December 1, 2014. It was placed on the floor for approval on a motion by Alderperson Klemm with a second by Alderperson Endress. Contained in Ordinance 2014-53 are applicable levies for Firefighter Pension, Police Pension, IMRF, and Corporate Fund which equate to an overall decrease in the total levy of negative 3.0%. Based on projected assessed valuations, the net effect of this tax levy would be \$0 on a \$100,000 valued home.

.....Roll Call Vote

7. **2ND READING OF ORDINANCE #2014-54:** AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2014, AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2015 FOR THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, COUNTY OF STEPHENSON, AND STATE OF ILLINOIS [view summary of history](#) *The first reading of this ordinance was held on December 1, 2014. A motion to approve was given by Alderperson Boldt, seconded by Alderperson Bush and the ordinance was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.*

.....Roll Call Vote

8. **2ND READING OF ORDINANCE #2014-55:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 288 (OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES GENERALLY) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS – 2014 HEALTH INSURANCE - [view memo](#) [view summary of all proposed changes](#) *The first reading of this ordinance was held on December 1, 2014. A motion to approve was given by Alderperson Klemm, seconded by Alderperson DeVine and the ordinance was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.*

.....Roll Call Vote

ORDINANCES –FIRST READING

9. **1ST READING OF ORDINANCE 2014-57:** SPECIAL ORDINANCE FOR VARIATION PERMIT OR AMENDMENT OF CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS – FENCE VARIANCE 1419 MARK DRIVE - FENCE VARIANCE AT 1419 MARK DRIVE, FREEPORT, ILLINOIS [view memo](#) *The Board of Zoning Appeals meeting was held on December 4, 2014. An application was submitted by Michael Steinhauser Jr. for the property located at 1419 Mark Drive, Freeport, IL (PIN #: 18-13-36-105-009). The relief being sought is a Zoning Variance to Section 1270.03 of the Planning and Zoning Code to allow fence installation on the side lot lines instead of the mandatory placement of fences two feet from the side lot lines. The petition was unanimously recommended to council and no written objections were filed to the petition, therefore it may be passed on first reading.*

.....Roll Call Vote

RESOLUTIONS

10. **RESOLUTION #R-2014-82:** RESOLUTION FOR MAINTENANCE OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS BY MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE SECTION #15-00000-00-GM
Presented by City Engineer Shaun Gallagher
11. **RESOLUTION #R-2014-83:** RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT WITH FREEPORT DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, NFP
Presented by Community Development Director Jim Brown
12. **RESOLUTION #R-2014-84:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATIONS FOR DESIGN/BUILD FOR 314 W. STEPHENSON (CARNEGIE LIBRARY), NEGOTIATIONS FOR STRUCTURAL CONSULTANT FOR 230 W. STEPHENSON, EXPLORATION OF FINANCING OPTIONS FOR EACH OF THE ABOVE, AND TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF RENTAL AGREEMENT FOR 524 W. STEPHENSON FOR CITY HALL OFFICES

.....Roll Call Vote

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OTHER

13. Reports of Department Heads

Community Development

Finance

Public Works

Library

Fire

Police

Water and Sewer

City Engineer

14. Mayor's Report

15. New Business/Council Announcements

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

17. Adjournment

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