



## City Council

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

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### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA PUBLIC SAFETY/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REGULAR MEETING OF Tuesday, January 17, 2006 at 5:15 p.m.

Call to Order

Public Comments (limited to 2 minutes per person)

#### **Community Development**

1. [Human Relations Commission Ordinance](#)

**Summary:** Proposed amendment to reduce the number of commissioners from nine to seven.

The Human Relations Commission's recently adopted mission statement will be presented

**Information will be provided by** Shelly Griswold and Ronnie Bush

2. Mill Race Crossing – Stephenson County Board's Findings

**Summary:** Presentation of information regarding the County's findings on the Mill Race Crossing Economic Development Planning Area

**Information will be provided by** Shelly Griswold

3. [Fence Ordinance](#)

**Summary:** Reconsideration of amended fence ordinance, as sent back to committee by the full council

**Information will be provided by** Shelly Griswold

4. [Stephenson Hotel Redevelopment Agreement](#)

**Summary:** Resolution to amend the redevelopment agreement changing the time frame for a National franchise restaurant to be in operations from 60 days upon completion of Phase One construction to 18 months

**Information will be provided by** Craig Joesten

5. Impact fees

**Summary:** A discussion of the role and use of impact fees for developments

**Information will be provided by** Shelly Griswold

#### **~OTHER DEPARTMENTS~**

#### **Finance**

1. [AFLAC Flexible Spending Account](#)

**Summary:** The AFLAC Resolution was devised because on May 18, 2005, the IRS amended its position on the flexible spending account "use it or lose it" rule. Now plan sponsors can design their cafeteria plans to allow for an additional period, or grace period, of up to two months and 15 days following the end of each plan year to incur expenses before the "use it or lose it" forfeiture rule applies.

Therefore, the City of Freeport would like to implement the grace period option into our plan; hence the resolution.

**Information will be provided by Craig Joesten**

**Public Works**

1. LAPP Program

**Summary:** Council to consider resolution for \$30,000.00 from MFT funds to pay for the Preliminary and Construction Engineering for the 2006 LAPP program. The 2006 LAPP program will consist of grind and resurface of Park Boulevard from South Galena Ave. to Stephenson St.

**Information will be provided by Craig LeBaron**

2. Award of Cherry Avenue Storm Sewer Grant Project

**Summary:** The Commission received bids on the Cherry Storm Sewer grant project, that due to an increased scope resulted in the bids being \$207,102.90 higher than the budgeted amount of \$300,000. FGA reviewed the bid and determined that the items that had increased the scope could be removed and remain in compliance with the grant. The Commission approved the bid from CIVIL contractors with a change of scope through a Change Order thereby approving the project in the amount \$295,893.05. We will be looking to Council for approval of this bid and change order and the matching funds from the bond of \$111,750.

**Information will be provided by Denise Ihrig**

3. Allocation of the remaining 2003 Bond Funds

**Summary:** It was determined at the Special Meeting of the Commission held on Monday, January 9, 2006 that the remaining bond funds be allocated to the following projects, Cherry Avenue Storm Sewer for matching funds to the CDAP grant; Homer Phase 2 Storm Sewer - Alternate No.1, this would continue the storm sewer project from Locust to Chestnut; and the Linden Storm Sewer Improvements including the connections, previously approved, and continue the project from the Social Security Building to the RR tracks. Bid costs and cost estimates are available. We will be looking to Council for approval of these projects and their estimated construction and inspection costs from the bond fund. <<FWS - Bond Funds.pdf>> The Commission also reviewed the final report from Donohue on the Hunt District Sanitary and Storm Sewer study, and will address the urgent issues stated in the report with Commission staff.

**Information will be provided by Denise Ihrig**

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