



**City Council**  
**City Council Chambers ♦ 314 West Stephenson Street ♦ Freeport, IL 61032**

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**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2017 AT 5:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The special meeting of the Freeport, Illinois, City Council was called to order in council chambers by Mayor James L. Gitz with a quorum being present at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21, 2017.

**ROLL CALL**

Present on roll call: Mayor Gitz and council members Tom Klemm, Peter McClanathan, Jodi Miller, Patrick Busker, Sally Brashaw, Mike Koester, and Andrew Chesney (7). Alderperson Ross was absent.

Staff members present: Community Development Director Alex Mills, Public Works Director Tom Dole, and Deputy City Clerk Dovie Anderson.

There was no legal counsel present.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderperson Miller.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Alderperson Koester moved for approval of the agenda, seconded by Alderperson Klemm. Motion prevailed by voice vote without dissent

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no public comments on agenda items.

**ORDINANCES – THIRD READING**

**[3<sup>RD</sup> READING OF ORDINANCE #2017-20](#)**

**An Ordinance Adopting an Update to the City of Freeport Comprehensive Plan and Amending Section 1222.01 (Description) of Chapter 1222 (Official Plan and Official Map) of the City of Freeport Codified Ordinances**

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The first reading was held on March 6, 2017. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Koester, seconded by Alderperson Ross. At the City Council meeting held on March 20, 2017, administration asked Council to place an amended version of this ordinance on council floor for approval and to layover the ordinance for third reading for a special meeting of the City Council to be held on March 21, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. At the March 20, 2017 meeting, Alderperson Koester moved for approval of Ordinance #2017-20 as amended, seconded by Alderperson Brashaw and the ordinance was laid over for third reading at tonight's special meeting.

Mayor Gitz stated that the Planning Commission unanimously approved recommendation of this ordinance.

Alderperson Brashaw attended the Planning Commission meeting and reported that Grants Coordinator Nancy McDonald anticipates that 20 awards will be given this year. The City match is 10 percent, but no funds will be paid up front, not until the award is granted. It is estimated that 150 homes need remediation. Stephenson County Health Department will start the process if we are awarded these funds. No one spoke out against the program at the public hearing.

Mayor Gitz added that the 10 percent match will be shared by other agencies.

The motion for passage prevailed by roll call vote of:

Yeas: Klemm, McClanathan, Miller, Busker, Brashaw, Koester, and Chesney (7)

Nays: None

Ordinance #2017-20 was passed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA OR NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no public comments.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

*s/ Dovie L. Anderson*

Dovie L. Anderson  
Deputy City Clerk