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A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport was held on Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 4:30 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 46 North Ocean Avenue, Freeport, New York, with the following present:

Robert T. Kennedy	Mayor
Jorge A. Martinez	Deputy Mayor
Christopher L. Squeri	Trustee
Evette B. Sanchez	Trustee
Jacques V. Butler	Trustee
Howard E. Colton	Village Attorney
Pamela Walsh Boening	Village Clerk

At 4:31 P.M., Mayor Kennedy convened in the main conference room and Deputy Mayor Martinez led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

No residents were present.

At 4:32 P.M., it was moved by Trustee Sanchez, seconded by Trustee Butler and unanimously carried to adjourn this portion of the Legislative Meeting and return to the Mayor's Conference Room to continue in Executive Session to discuss four (4) Personnel Matters.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

At 5:12 P.M., motion was made by Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Squeri and unanimously carried to reconvene in Legislative Session.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

Approximately four (4) residents were present.

Deputy Mayor Martinez led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Butler, and unanimously carried to approve the Board of Trustees Minutes of December 29, 2025.

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Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Sanchez that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Buildings is requesting Board approval for the renewal of the OpenGov software subscription; and

WHEREAS, the OpenGov software, provided by OpenGov Inc, PO Box 41340 San Jose CA 95160, allows for our residents and businesses to file for their required permits electronically from the comfort of their homes and business locations, and greatly helps streamline workflows and inspections; and

WHEREAS, the subscription renewal amount for January and February of 2026 is \$8,913.61; and

WHEREAS, the subscription cost for the annual period from March 1, 2026 through February 28, 2027 is \$56,155.84, for a total amount of \$65,069.45; and

WHEREAS, the subscription will be funded from account A362004-542800 Service Contracts; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Buildings, the Board hereby approves, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign any documentation necessary to effectuate the renewal of OpenGov software subscription provided by OpenGov Inc, PO Box 41340 San Jose CA 95160, for a total amount not to exceed \$65,069.45 for the period January 1, 2026 through February 28, 2027.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Martinez, seconded by Trustee Sanchez that the following resolution be adopted:

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WHEREAS, the Village of Freeport requires the services of a company able to provide Three Phase Padmounted Transformers on an as needed basis; and

WHEREAS, General Municipal Law §103 and the Village’s procurement policy require that the procurement of this equipment be done through competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, the cost of these transformers will be charged to Account #E 123000 (Inventory) and there are sufficient funds available for this expense; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the Board hereby grant authorization for the Village Clerk to publish a Notice of Request for Proposals for the “Furnishing of Three Phase Padmounted Transformers”, RFP #26-03-ELEC-768, in the Freeport Herald and other related publications on January 15, 2026, with specifications available from January 20, 2026 to March 6, 2026, with a return date of March 6, 2026.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Trustee Sanchez, seconded by Trustee Butler that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Village of Freeport requires a consultant for services to continue to provide electric utility consulting services related to bulk power market transactions, transmission planning and electric utility planning operations for the New York Association of Public Power (NYAPP); and

WHEREAS, the services to be performed are professional services of a specialized nature and are therefore exempt from the competitive bidding requirements of General Municipal Law; and

WHEREAS, the Village is requesting to enter into a Consulting Agreement with Whitfield Russell Associates (WRA), 4232 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22302, for a term from March 1, 2026 through February 28, 2027, for a not-to-exceed cost of \$18,000.00; and

WHEREAS, WRA has certain unique skills, abilities and expertise that will be useful to the Village, in particular electric utility consulting services related to such matters like bulk power market transactions and transmission planning; and

WHEREAS, the Village will be paying WRA directly for these services instead of making the payment through Duncan, Weinberg, Genzer & Pembroke, PC; and

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WHEREAS, these services will be charged to E7852140 578100 (NYAPP); and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Electric Utilities, the Board hereby approves and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any documentation necessary to effectuate a Consulting Agreement with Whitfield Russell Associates (WRA), 4232 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22302, for a term from March 1, 2026 through February 28, 2027, for a not-to-exceed cost of \$18,000.00.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Squeri that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2022, the Board awarded the contract for the LM6000 Annual Chiller Maintenance, RFP #22-02-ELEC-597, to Industrial Cooling Inc., 83 Hampton Place, Freeport, New York, 11520, in the total amount of \$26,213.00 (plus expenses related to emergency services outside the scope of the specifications) for a three (3) year term running from March 1, 2022 through February 28, 2025, with an option for two (2) one-year extensions if mutually agreed; and

WHEREAS, on February 10, 2025, the Board approved the first one-year contract extension for the LM6000 Annual Chiller Maintenance, RFP #22-02-ELEC-597, with Industrial Cooling Inc., 83 Hampton Place, Freeport, New York, 11520, for a term from March 1, 2025 to February 28, 2026, for the not-to-exceed cost of \$7,058.00; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Electric Utilities is requesting Board approval for the second and final one-year contract extension with Industrial Cooling Inc., 83 Hampton Place, Freeport, New York, 11520, for a term from March 1, 2026 to February 28, 2027, for the not-to-exceed cost of \$7,269.00 (a 3% increase), which includes six priority service calls annually; the hourly rate for technical assistance on-site including travel expenses after the sixth priority service call shall be \$170.00/hr. (straight)/\$255.00/hr. (OT); and

WHEREAS, the cost of this service will be charged to Account E7157006 510000 – Repairs to Miscellaneous Power Plant Equipment and there are sufficient funds available for this expense; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Electric Utilities, the Board hereby approves, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign any paperwork necessary to effectuate the second and final one-year contract extension for the LM6000 Annual Chiller Maintenance, RFP #22-02-ELEC-597, with Industrial

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Cooling Inc., 83 Hampton Place, Freeport, New York, 11520, for a term from March 1, 2026 to February 28, 2027, for the not-to-exceed cost of \$7,269.00.

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Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Sanchez that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, recently, the fire suppression system for the LM6000 generating unit at Power Plant 2 malfunctioned and discharged; and

WHEREAS, the fire suppression system is needed to operate the turbine and needs to be in compliance with the Nassau County Fire Marshall code; and

WHEREAS, the disruption of the system would present a health and safety issue for residents and therefore the need to make the repair would be considered an emergency; and

WHEREAS, multiple vendors were contacted to service the system and only one vendor responded; and

WHEREAS, Gebhardt, Inc., 140 East Second St., Mineola, NY 11501, responded for the emergency repair of hydro-testing and refilling of 1200 lbs. of CO2; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the hydro-testing and refilling is \$26,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this expense will be charged to E 7156006 510000 and there are sufficient funds available for this expense; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Electric Utilities, the Board approves, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign any paperwork necessary to retroactively approve the emergency repair of the fire suppression system for the LM6000 generating unit at Power Plant 2 with Gebhardt, Inc., 140 East Second St., Mineola, NY 11501, at the cost of \$26,000.00.

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Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

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It was moved by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Butler that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2024, the Board approved the Service Agreement for Non-Core Transportation Service for Electric Generation (Service Classification No. 7) with KeySpan Gas East Corp., d/b/a National Grid, 25 Hub Drive, Melville, NY 11747, for a term retroactively from September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2029; and

WHEREAS, the Village is requesting Board approval of Amendment 1 to the 2024 Service Agreement with KeySpan Gas East Corp., d/b/a National Grid, 25 Hub Drive, Melville, NY 11747; and

WHEREAS, the Amendment changes include the following:

1. Any references to Service Classification No. 7 (SC-7) are changed to SC-14.
2. New tariff rates will be in effect in the January 2026 bills.
3. Final minimum bill obligation will be calculated and prorated through December 2025.
4. Final Value-Added Charge balances will be determined and filed with the Public Service Commission in March 2026.

WHEREAS, the term of the Amendment 1 shall run retroactively from January 1, 2026 through August 31, 2029; and

WHEREAS, the expenses related to this contract will be charged to account E 7161006 510000 (Fuel Gas LM6000); and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Electric, the Board hereby approves, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to approve Amendment 1 to the Service Agreement for Non-Core Transportation Service for Electric Generation (Service Classification No. 7) with KeySpan Gas East Corp., d/b/a National Grid, 25 Hub Drive, Melville, NY 11747, for a term retroactive from January 1, 2026 through August 31, 2029.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Martinez, seconded by Trustee Sanchez that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Freeport Police Department is requesting Board approval for the purchase of Avigilon surveillance cameras and accessories from A+ Technology & Security; and

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WHEREAS, A+ Technology & Security, 1490 N. Clinton Ave, Bayshore, NY 11706 is on the NYS contract PT687451; and

WHEREAS, the purchase includes 16 high resolution surveillance cameras, mounts and licenses; and

WHEREAS, the quote for the total equipment is \$67, 273.47; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of this equipment will come from, Account# A312002-520103, Unexpected Equipment of the 2026 fiscal year and will be reimbursed by the Byrne Discretionary Community Projects Grant, of which the Department was awarded \$330,000.00; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendation of the Assistant Chief of Police, the Board of Trustees hereby approves, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign any documentation necessary to retroactively approve for the purchase of Avigilon surveillance cameras and accessories from A+ Technology & Security, 1490 N. Clinton Ave, Bayshore, NY 11706, in the amount of \$67, 273.47.

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Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Martinez, seconded by Trustee Squeri that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF FREEPORT, NEW YORK, that the VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS Article III Parking Restrictions be amended as follows:

Sec. 41. Parking prohibited at all times unless otherwise designated.

No person shall park a vehicle within the designated areas in the following streets at any time, or at the times otherwise indicated:

ADD:

Hampton Place, north side, beginning at a point 662 feet west of the westerly curblineline of West End Avenue and continuing west to the westerly terminus.

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Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
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Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Squeri to wit:

WHEREAS, the Incorporated Village of Freeport owns the portion of property known as Section 54, Block 073, Lot 126, and part of Section 54, Block 073, Lot 50. a/k/a 220 West Sunrise Highway (Power Plant One); and,

WHEREAS, the Incorporated Village of Freeport and the Freeport Electric Utility wish to enter into an intra-municipal purchase agreement whereby the Freeport Electric Utility, through the Freeport LDC, will purchase the foretasted property from the Village of Freeport for a price of 5.8 million dollars; and,

WHEREAS, such sale shall not include:

1. Freeport Fire Department Hose Co.: #4;
2. The property and parking behind Hose 4 including the area to the northwest of the property, north to the security booth;
3. The south parking lot (adjacent to Hose 4, Safelight Auto Glass, the building on the southeast corner), and;
4. The water well in front of the administrative building adjacent to Sunrise Highway, and; any other water department structures and property; and,

WHEREAS, the funding to purchase such sale is to be provided by the Freeport Local Development Corporation (LDC), a wholly separate entity from the Village of Freeport and the payment of the loaned funding will be paid through a leaseback to the Freeport Electric Utility and through the Utility’s Electric rates and,

WHEREAS, on January 8, 2026, the LDC met and approved the purchase and funding mechanism for this sale and the reimbursement of the Freeport Utility’s Interfund Debt to the Village of Freeport; and,

WHEREAS, the Electric Utility will have the permanent right to utilize the purchased property for any proper municipal use; subject to the approval and direction of the Village Board sitting as the Board of the Freeport Electric Utility; and,

WHEREAS, LDC counsel has requested the approval of the sale from the Village Board;

WHEREAS, this property be and is hereby surplus property and can be conveyed;

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NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Village Attorney and Counsel to the Freeport Local Development Cooperation, the Village Board, meeting in its dual capacity as the Board of Trustees and the Board of the Electric Utility hereby approves the sale of the forestated premises from the Village of Freeport to the Freeport Electric Utility, through the Freeport LDC, for a cost of 5.8 million dollars subject to the terms and conditions as stated within this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this property is declared surplus; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to sign any and all documents, approved by the Village Attorney, and LDC Counsel, which are necessary and proper to effectuate this transfer and any ancillary matters as approved by the LDC.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Sanchez that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, authorization is requested to close out the Bond resolution titled “Construction of various road improvements including drainage and grading” and associated capital H519702 523130 2020 Road Improvement-Variou Roads as well as the portion for Water Capital Project WE107 150105 Water Mains; and

WHEREAS, the H519702 523230 2020 Road Improvements is as follows:

Authorized: 2/3/2020

Amount Authorized: \$3,605,000 (breakdown\$1,955,000 Roads/\$1,650,000 Water Mains)

Initial Financing: BAN #1
2020 Series F BAN on 12/15/20 \$400,000
Rolloed to 2021 Series B BAN on 4/29/21
Principal payment made \$400,000 on 4/28/22
BAN# 1 paid in full

BAN #2
2021Series D 11/16/21 \$115,000
Principal payment made 115,000 on 11/16/22
BAN# 2 paid in full

BAN #3
2022 Series A 2/23/22 \$310,000

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Principal payment made \$310,000 4/28/22
BAN #3 paid in full

BAN #4

2022 Series C 4/27/22 \$1,130,000
Principal payment made \$90,000 4/27/23
Balance of \$1,040,000 rolled to 2023 Series C BAN on 4/26/23
Principal payment made \$180,000 4/26/24
Balance of \$860,000 rolled to 2024 Series C BAN 4/25/24
Principal payment made \$490,701 on 4/24/25
Balance of \$369,299 rolled to 2025 Series C BAN on 4/24/25 due on 4/24/26

WHEREAS, the Debt History of Project for WE107 150105 2022 WATER MAINS
is as follows:

Initial Financing:

2022 Series C BAN on 4/27/22 \$1,650,000
Rolled to 2023 Series C 4/26/23
Principal payment made \$1,383,669 on 4/25/24
Balance of \$266,331.00 rolled to 2024 Series B BAN 4/26/24
Rolled to 2025 Series C BAN on 4/24/25 due on 4/24/26

Grant Reimbursements:

DASNY	<u>\$1,383,668.92</u>	10/16/23
Total Grants received	\$ 1,383,668.92	
Amount of Grants used for principal payments	\$1,383,668.92	
Remaining in Project from Debt Proceeds	159,674.38	
Interest Earned as of 11/30/25	<u>87,128.52</u>	
Total cash remaining		
To be transferred to reserve for Water Fund Debt Service	\$246,802.90	

WHEREAS, the NYLFN §165.00 and the New York State Comptroller mandates that the Village Board give authorization to close out a bond authorization and reserve any excess BOND proceeds and earned interest to pay down current debt, if due, or transfer to a Debt Service Reserve to pay down future debt; and

WHEREAS, the remaining cash available will be transferred to the General Fund reserve for Debt Service account A200 120171 and the Water Fund reserve for Debt Service WE131 113489; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the closing of the above referenced bond authorization titled “Construction of various road improvements

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including drainage and grading”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the closing of the associated capital H519702 523130 2020 Road Improvement-Variou Roads and the remaining debt proceeds and interest, in the amount of One Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand, One Hundred Fifty-One Dollars and Fifty-Three Cents (\$189,151.53) be moved to the General Fund reserve for Debt Service account A200 120171; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the closing of the portion associated Water Capital Project WE107 150105 Water Mains and the remaining debt proceeds and interest, in the amount of Two Hundred Forty-Six Thousand, Eight Hundred Two Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$246,802.90) be moved to the Water Fund reserve for Debt Service WE131 113489.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Martinez, seconded by Trustee Squeri that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Village of Freeport Water Department occasionally has need to utilize outside contractors to make repairs to the eleven wells and well houses that are operated by the Water Department; and

WHEREAS, due to the need for specialize equipment and expertise, this work cannot be performed by the Water Department personnel; and

WHEREAS, such service requires the use of competitive bidding as necessitated by General Municipal Law §103 and the Village’s Procurement Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Department anticipates spending up to \$185,000.00 under this requirements contract; and

WHEREAS, the contract will be for a term beginning March 1, 2026 and ending February 28, 2027, with an option for two (2) one-year extensions if mutually accepted; and

WHEREAS, funding for this contract will come from the Water Department Operating Budget WE94004 543210; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Public Works, the Village Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise a Notice to

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Bidders for the “2026 Annual Well Maintenance Contract”, in the Freeport Herald and other related publications on January 15, 2026, with bid documents available from January 20, 2026 through January 30, 2026, with a return date of February 3, 2026.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Trustee Sanchez, seconded by Trustee Butler that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport, as lead agency, has determined that the proposed action described below, will not have a significant effect on the environment and neither a draft environmental impact statement nor a final environmental impact statement will be prepared; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is to consider the proposed contract between the Incorporated Village of Freeport and the Freeport Volunteer Fire Department for the furnishing of fire protection within the Incorporated Village of Freeport for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027, for a fee of \$151,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this Board determines that the proposed action is an unlisted action, as that term is defined in the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, herein after referred to as SEQRA. After careful consideration, the Board has concluded that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the environment for the following reasons:

1. The proposed action will not result in a substantial adverse change in the existing air quality, ground or surface water quality, traffic or noise level, will not affect solid waste production, and will not affect erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems.
2. The proposed action will not result in the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna nor interfere with the movement or any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species, nor impact on a significant habitat area, nor result in any other significant adverse effect to natural resources.
3. The proposed action will not encourage or attract a large number of people.
4. The proposed action is consistent with the community’s current plans and goals for enforcement of Village laws.

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5. The proposed action would not impair the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural or aesthetic resources of the Village.
6. The proposed action will not bring about a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy.
7. The proposed action will not create a hazard to human health.
8. The proposed action will not produce a substantial change in the use or intensity of land, including cultural or recreational resources, or its capacity to support existing uses.
9. The proposed action will not create a material demand for other actions that would result in any of the above consequences.
10. The proposed action will not change two or more elements in the environment, which when considered together could result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment.
11. When considered cumulatively with other actions, the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the environment or meet one of the above criteria.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport, after reviewing the above criteria has determined that the proposed action is not environmentally significant.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

Motion was made by Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Squeri and unanimously carried to close the 2026/2027 Freeport Fire Department Furnishing of Fire Protection hearing to further evidence and testimony.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
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Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
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It was moved by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Sanchez that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees by Resolution duly adopted on December 29, 2025 at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees authorized the Village Clerk to publish and post a notice of public hearing for the purpose of considering a contract between the Incorporated Village of Freeport and the Freeport Volunteer Fire Department for the provision of fire protection services, supplemental ambulance service and emergency rescue services within the Incorporated Village of Freeport all pursuant to §4-412 of the Village Law for the State of New York and where applicable subject to and consistent with the provisions §209-(b) of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport did conduct and conclude public hearing on January 13, 2026 at or about 4:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building, at 46 North Ocean Avenue, Freeport, New York on the proposed contract between the Incorporated Village of Freeport and the Freeport Volunteer Fire Department for the furnishing of fire protection services, supplemental ambulance service and emergency rescue services within the Incorporated Village of Freeport for the fiscal year 2026-2027 for an amount of \$151,000.00; and

WHEREAS, it is the determination of this Board that it is in the best interests of Freeport and its residents to enter into a contract with the Freeport Volunteer Fire Department for the provision of fire protection services, supplemental ambulance service and emergency rescue services in the Incorporated Village of Freeport; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport hereby approves the proposed contract between the Incorporated Village of Freeport and the Freeport Volunteer Fire Department for the provision of fire protection, supplemental ambulance services and emergency rescue services within the Incorporated Village of Freeport for the fiscal year 2026-2027 in the amount of \$151,000.00, and hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute said contract, in a form to be approved by the Village Attorney on behalf of the Incorporated Village of Freeport together with any and all such documents as may be necessary to implement this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk be and is hereby authorized to record this action in the official minutes for the Board of Trustees meeting of January 13, 2026 and publish the required notice of adoption in the Herald and/or other relevant publications of general circulation in a form to be approved by the Village Attorney.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
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Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor

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Mayor Kennedy

In Favor

It was moved by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Butler that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport, as lead agency, has determined that the proposed action described below, will not have a significant effect on the environment and neither a draft environmental impact statement nor a final environmental impact statement will be prepared; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is to consider the proposed Village budget of the Fiscal Year commencing March 1, 2026 and ending February 28, 2027; and

WHEREAS, this Board determines that the proposed action is an unlisted action, as that term is defined in the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, herein after referred to as SEQRA. After careful consideration, the Board has concluded that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the environment for the following reasons:

1. The proposed action will not result in a substantial adverse change in the existing air quality, ground or surface water quality, traffic or noise level, will not affect solid waste production, and will not affect erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems.
2. The proposed action will not result in the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna nor interfere with the movement or any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species, nor impact on a significant habitat area, nor result in any other significant adverse effect to natural resources.
3. The proposed action will not encourage or attract a large number of people.
4. The proposed action is consistent with the community's current plans and goals for enforcement of Village laws.
5. The proposed action would not impair the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural or aesthetic resources of the Village.
6. The proposed action will not bring about a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy.
7. The proposed action will not create a hazard to human health.
8. The proposed action will not produce a substantial change in the use or intensity of land, including cultural or recreational resources, or its capacity to support existing uses.

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9. The proposed action will not create a material demand for other actions that would result in any of the above consequences.
10. The proposed action will not change two or more elements in the environment, which when considered together could result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment.
11. When considered cumulatively with other actions, the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the environment or meet one of the above criteria.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport, after reviewing the above criteria has determined that the proposed action is not environmentally significant.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

Motion was made by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Butler and unanimously carried to close the Village Budget Hearing to further evidence and testimony.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

Motion was made by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Sanchez and unanimously carried to reserve decision.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Martinez, seconded by Trustee Butler, and unanimously carried that the meeting be closed.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

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Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

The meeting was closed at 5:23 P.M.

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Village Clerk

At 5:31 PM Mayor Kennedy announced there were two public hearings and called the first hearing to order for which a full stenographic record was taken and indicated that the purpose of the hearing was to consider the proposed contract between the Incorporated Village of Freeport and the Freeport Volunteer Fire Department for the furnishing of fire protection, for the Fiscal Year 2026/2027, for a fee of \$151,000.

Howard E. Colton, Village Attorney presented ten (10) exhibits, which were marked into the record and gave an overview of the proposed Fire Department contract.

It was moved by Trustee Sanchez, seconded by Trustee Butler that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport, as lead agency, has determined that the proposed action described below, will not have a significant effect on the environment and neither a draft environmental impact statement nor a final environmental impact statement will be prepared; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is to consider the proposed contract between the Incorporated Village of Freeport and the Freeport Volunteer Fire Department for the furnishing of fire protection within the Incorporated Village of Freeport for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027, for a fee of \$151,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this Board determines that the proposed action is an unlisted action, as that term is defined in the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, herein after referred to as SEQRA. After careful consideration, the Board has concluded that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the environment for the following reasons:

1. The proposed action will not result in a substantial adverse change in the existing air quality, ground or surface water quality, traffic or noise level, will not affect solid waste production, and will not affect erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems.

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2. The proposed action will not result in the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna nor interfere with the movement or any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species, nor impact on a significant habitat area, nor result in any other significant adverse effect to natural resources.
3. The proposed action will not encourage or attract a large number of people.
4. The proposed action is consistent with the community's current plans and goals for enforcement of Village laws.
5. The proposed action would not impair the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural or aesthetic resources of the Village.
6. The proposed action will not bring about a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy.
7. The proposed action will not create a hazard to human health.
8. The proposed action will not produce a substantial change in the use or intensity of land, including cultural or recreational resources, or its capacity to support existing uses.
9. The proposed action will not create a material demand for other actions that would result in any of the above consequences.
10. The proposed action will not change two or more elements in the environment, which when considered together could result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment.
11. When considered cumulatively with other actions, the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the environment or meet one of the above criteria.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport, after reviewing the above criteria has determined that the proposed action is not environmentally significant.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

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Motion was made by Trustee Butler, seconded by Trustee Squeri and unanimously carried to close the 2026/2027 Freeport Fire Department Furnishing of Fire Protection hearing to further evidence and testimony.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

It was moved by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Sanchez that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees by Resolution duly adopted on December 29, 2025 at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees authorized the Village Clerk to publish and post a notice of public hearing for the purpose of considering a contract between the Incorporated Village of Freeport and the Freeport Volunteer Fire Department for the provision of fire protection services, supplemental ambulance service and emergency rescue services within the Incorporated Village of Freeport all pursuant to §4-412 of the Village Law for the State of New York and where applicable subject to and consistent with the provisions §209-(b) of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport did conduct and conclude public hearing on January 13, 2026 at or about 4:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building, at 46 North Ocean Avenue, Freeport, New York on the proposed contract between the Incorporated Village of Freeport and the Freeport Volunteer Fire Department for the furnishing of fire protection services, supplemental ambulance service and emergency rescue services within the Incorporated Village of Freeport for the fiscal year 2026-2027 for an amount of \$151,000.00; and

WHEREAS, it is the determination of this Board that it is in the best interests of Freeport and its residents to enter into a contract with the Freeport Volunteer Fire Department for the provision of fire protection services, supplemental ambulance service and emergency rescue services in the Incorporated Village of Freeport; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport hereby approves the proposed contract between the Incorporated Village of Freeport and the Freeport Volunteer Fire Department for the provision of fire protection, supplemental ambulance services and emergency rescue services within the Incorporated Village of Freeport for the fiscal year 2026-2027 in the amount of \$151,000.00, and hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute said contract, in a form to be approved by the Village Attorney on behalf of the Incorporated Village of Freeport together with any and all such documents as may be necessary to implement this resolution; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk be and is hereby authorized to record this action in the official minutes for the Board of Trustees meeting of January 13, 2026 and publish the required notice of adoption in the Herald and/or other relevant publications of general circulation in a form to be approved by the Village Attorney.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

At 5:35 PM Mayor Kennedy announced the second public hearing and called the hearing to order for which a full stenographic record was taken and indicated that the purpose of the hearing was to consider the 2026/2027 Village Budget.

Howard E. Colton Village Attorney presented eight (8) exhibits, which were marked into the record and called on David Tanner of Liberty Capital to give an overview of the proposed budget.

It was moved by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Butler that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport, as lead agency, has determined that the proposed action described below, will not have a significant effect on the environment and neither a draft environmental impact statement nor a final environmental impact statement will be prepared; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action is to consider the proposed Village budget of the Fiscal Year commencing March 1, 2026 and ending February 28, 2027; and

WHEREAS, this Board determines that the proposed action is an unlisted action, as that term is defined in the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, herein after referred to as SEQRA. After careful consideration, the Board has concluded that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the environment for the following reasons:

1. The proposed action will not result in a substantial adverse change in the existing air quality, ground or surface water quality, traffic or noise level, will not affect solid waste production, and will not affect erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems.
2. The proposed action will not result in the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna nor interfere with the movement or any resident

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or migratory fish or wildlife species, nor impact on a significant habitat area, nor result in any other significant adverse effect to natural resources.

- 3. The proposed action will not encourage or attract a large number of people.
- 4. The proposed action is consistent with the community’s current plans and goals for enforcement of Village laws.
- 5. The proposed action would not impair the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural or aesthetic resources of the Village.
- 6. The proposed action will not bring about a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy.
- 7. The proposed action will not create a hazard to human health.
- 8. The proposed action will not produce a substantial change in the use or intensity of land, including cultural or recreational resources, or its capacity to support existing uses.
- 9. The proposed action will not create a material demand for other actions that would result in any of the above consequences.
- 10. The proposed action will not change two or more elements in the environment, which when considered together could result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment.
- 11. When considered cumulatively with other actions, the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the environment or meet one of the above criteria.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Freeport, after reviewing the above criteria has determined that the proposed action is not environmentally significant.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

At 5:43 P.M., motion was made by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Butler and unanimously carried to close the Village Budget Hearing to further evidence and testimony.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

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Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

Motion was made by Trustee Squeri, seconded by Trustee Sanchez and unanimously carried to reserve decision.

The Clerk polled the Board as follows:

Deputy Mayor Martinez	In Favor
Trustee Squeri	In Favor
Trustee Sanchez	In Favor
Trustee Butler	In Favor
Mayor Kennedy	In Favor

Pamela Walsh Boening
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