

### *Collaborative Efforts being considered by TAMU and the City of College Station*

1. **Northgate Electric Substation** - An electric substation site for College Station Utilities is being coordinated with Texas A&M University to serve the College Station Northgate area. The Northgate Substation will also be coordinated with Bryan Texas Utilities which owns the transmission system in that area.
2. **800 MHz Radio System Access** – Interlocal agreement to allow access to the radio system of participating law enforcement agencies, Bryan PD, TAMU Police, and Brazos County Sheriff’s Office.
3. **Incubator** - The Economic Development department is currently in discussions with the Bryan Business Council and the Research Valley Partnership to establish a community incubator building and program. Staff has also discussed working with Texas A & M University to provide services to potential tenants.
4. **Horticultural Gardens** - City of College Station, Texas A & M University and the City of Bryan are currently in discussion to provide joint funding to ensure the continued operations and maintenance of the horticultural gardens. These discussions may include the possible expansion of the facility.
5. **Collaborative Training Grant** – TAMU has invited both cities to participate in a proposal for a Collaborative Training Grant. This type of grant is to provide training to better prepare the community in its interaction with international students. The International Program at TAMU would provide the curriculum and hold “train the trainers” sessions. Staff from each City would become trainers for their fellow City employees.

### *Future Collaborative Efforts*

1. **New Landfill Site Used for Research** – The Texas Water Resources Institute has shown some interest in using the new landfill site for research.
2. **Fire Explorer Program** - The College Station Fire Department, Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) and the Boys scouts of America are in early discussions of establishing a Fire Explorer Program for young adults from ages 16 to 21. This program would be an ongoing program to teach the skills of firefighting and emergency medical services. This program will act as a mentoring and career development process for these future emergency service providers.
3. **TAMU Cross Country Track at Veterans Park** - We are exploring the potential to use Veterans Park & Athletic Park as the "home" course for the TAMU Cross Country Track program. The runners would utilize a trail system that will be developed according to the approved master plan for the park for their practice sessions and scheduled meets. In addition, on site support facilities such as the large group pavilion (to be constructed in 2006), parking areas and restrooms will be made available for track meets, as well as Big XII and NCAA championship events.