



Meeting Agenda Council Workshop

Monday, May 12, 2014

4:00 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

1. Council Photo Session.
2. Call meeting to order.
3. Executive Session will be held in the Administrative Conference Room.
Consultation with Attorney {Gov't Code Section 551.071}; possible action. The City Council may seek advice from its attorney regarding a pending or contemplated litigation subject or settlement offer or attorney-client privileged information. Litigation is an ongoing process and questions may arise as to a litigation tactic or settlement offer, which needs to be discussed with the City Council. Upon occasion the City Council may need information from its attorney as to the status of a pending or contemplated litigation subject or settlement offer or attorney-client privileged information. After executive session discussion, any final action or vote taken will be in public. The following subject(s) may be discussed:

Litigation

- a. College Station v. Star Insurance Co., Civil Action No. 4:11 CV 02023
- b. Patricia Kahlden, individ. and as rep. of the Estate of Lillie May Williams Bayless v. Laura Sue Streigler, City of College Station and James Steven Elkins, No. 11 003172 CV 272, in the 272nd District Court of Brazos County, Tx.
- c. Cause No. 13 002978 CV 361, Deluxe Burger Bar of College Station, Inc. D/B/A Café Excell v. Asset Plus Realty Corporation, City of College Station, Texas and the Research Valley Partnership, Inc., In the 361st Judicial District Court, Brazos County, Texas
- d. Bobby trant, Individually and as Executor of the Estate of Harold B. Trant, Deceased, and of the Estate of Rosealice Trant, Deceased, Patsy Trant Langford and Robin Trant Johnson v. Brazos Valley Solid Waste Management Agency, Inc. d/b/a BVSWM, Inc., Cause No. 33014, In the District Court, Grimes County, Texas, 12th Judicial District

Real Estate {Gov't Code Section 551.072}; possible action The City Council may deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. After executive session discussion, any final action or vote taken will be in public. The following subject(s) may be discussed:

- a. Property located generally in the vicinity northeast of the intersection of Texas Avenue and George Bush Drive in College Station.

4. Take action, if any, on Executive Session.
5. Presentation, possible action and discussion on items listed on the consent agenda.
6. **14-405** Presentation, possible action, and discussion regarding an update on the City's Stormwater Management Program.
7. **14-416** Presentation, possible action, and discussion regarding an overview of potential amendments to the sign ordinance.
8. **14-459** Presentation, possible action, and discussion concerning the City Internal Auditor's Ringer Library Operations Audit.

Attachments: [Fuel Price Sign Letter.pdf](#)

9. Council Calendar

- May 13 2014 Jefferson Awards (Live Telecast), Hagler Auditorium - Annenberg Presidential Conference Center 6:30 pm
- May 14 27th Annual Police Memorial Ceremony, Veterans Park 12:00 pm
- May 14 City Council Economic Development Committee, City Hall Administrative Conference Room 4:30 pm
- May 15 Business After Hours - AeroFit , 3526 Longmire 5:30 pm
- May 15 P & Z Workshop/Regular Meeting, Council Chambers, Council Liason Karl Mooney, 6:00 pm
- May 19 IGC Meeting, BVCOG-Center for Regional Services, 12:00 pm
- May 19 Brazos County Board of Health Meeting, Brazos County Health Dept. - 201 N. Texas Avenue 5:30 pm
- May 20 BCS CVB Saving Showdown, HEB (Bryan-Villa Maria) 12:00 pm
- May 20 Transportation & Mobility Committee Meeting, Room 203 Conference Room A - Municipal Court 3:30 pm
- May 21 RVP Board Meeting at RVP 3:00 pm
- May 22 Executive Session/Workshop/Regular Meeting at 4:30, 6:00 & 7:00 p.m.

10. Presentation, possible action, and discussion on future agenda items and review of standing list of Council generated agenda items: A Council Member may inquire about a subject for which notice has not been given. A statement of specific factual information or the recitation of existing policy may be given. Any deliberation shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on an agenda for a subsequent meeting.

11. Discussion, review and possible action regarding the following meetings: Animal Shelter Board, Arts Council of Brazos Valley, Arts Council Subcommittee, Audit Committee, Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Greenways Advisory Board, Bio Corridor Board of Adjustments, Blinn College Brazos Valley Advisory Committee, Brazos County Health Dept., Brazos Valley Council of Governments, Bryan/College Station Chamber of Commerce, Budget and Finance Committee, BVSWMA, BWWACS, Compensation and Benefits Committee, Convention & Visitors Bureau, Design Review Board, Economic Development Committee, Gigabit Broadband Initiative, Historic Preservation Committee, Interfaith Dialogue Association, Intergovernmental Committee, Joint Relief Funding Review Committee, Landmark Commission, Library Board, Metropolitan Planning Organization, Parks and Recreation Board, Planning and Zoning Commission, Research Valley Partnership, Research Valley Technology Council, Regional Transportation Committee for Council of Governments, Transportation and Mobility Committee, TAMU Student Senate, Texas Municipal League, Twin City Endowment, Youth Advisory Council, Zoning Board of Adjustments, (Notice of Agendas posted on City Hall bulletin board).

12. Adjourn

The City Council may adjourn into Executive Session to consider any item listed on this agenda if a matter is raised that is appropriate for Executive Session discussion. An announcement will be made of the basis for the Executive Session discussion.

APPROVED


City Manager

Notice is hereby given that an Executive Session and Workshop Meeting of the City Council of the City of College Station, Texas will be held on the May 12, 2014 at 4:00PM at the City Hall Council Chambers, 1101 Texas Avenue, College Station, Texas. The following subjects will be discussed, to wit: See Agenda.

Posted this 9th day of May 2014 at 4:00p.m.


City Secretary

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of College Station, Texas, is a true and correct copy of said Notice and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the bulletin board at City Hall, 1101 Texas Avenue , in College Station, Texas, and the City's website, www.cstx.gov. The Agenda and Notice are readily accessible to the general public at all times. Said Notice and Agenda were posted on May 9, 2014 at 4:00p.m. and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours proceeding the scheduled time of said meeting . This public notice was removed from the official posting board at the College Station City Hall on the following date and time: _____ by _____

Dated this __ day _____, 2014 By _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the _____ day of _____, 2014.

Notary Public – Brazos County, Texas

My commission expires: _____

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Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 14-405 **Version:** 1 **Name:** Stormwater Management Plan Update
Type: Updates **Status:** Agenda Ready
File created: 4/21/2014 **In control:** Council Workshop
On agenda: 5/12/2014 **Final action:**
Title: Presentation, possible action, and discussion regarding an update on the City's Stormwater Management Program.

Sponsors:

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Presentation, possible action, and discussion regarding an update on the City's Stormwater Management Program.

Relationship to Strategic Goals: (Select all that apply)

- Core Services and Infrastructure
- Sustainable City

Recommendation(s): N/A

Summary:

This item is a presentation and discussion to provide background and program details on the City's existing and proposed Stormwater Management Plan. This item is intended to supplement a Consent Agenda item considering a resolution authorizing the Mayor to endorse the City's next 5-year Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP) mandated to be submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

Budget & Financial Summary: N/A

Attachments: N/A



Legislation Details (With Text)

File #:	14-416	Version:	1	Name:	Potential Sign Ordinance Amendments
Type:	Presentation	Status:		Status:	Agenda Ready
File created:	4/23/2014	In control:		In control:	Council Workshop
On agenda:	5/12/2014	Final action:		Final action:	
Title:	Presentation, possible action, and discussion regarding an overview of potential amendments to the sign ordinance.				
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Attachments:	Fuel Price Sign Letter.pdf				

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Presentation, possible action, and discussion regarding an overview of potential amendments to the sign ordinance.

Relationship to Strategic Goals:

- Good Governance
- Diverse & Growing Economy

Recommendation(s): N/A

Summary: This item is a presentation and discussion regarding potential amendments to the sign regulations contained in the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). At the February 13, 2014 meeting, Council requested a future agenda item in response to individuals that spoke during Hear Visitors regarding their desire for an ordinance change that would allow electronic message boards to change on an hourly basis instead of a 24-hour basis as currently limited. Since that meeting, another request regarding the size of fuel price signs has also been submitted (see attached).

Over the years, there have been several amendments to the sign ordinance in response to changing technology and the marketplace. This item will provide an overview of these changes and seek direction from Council regarding other potential amendments to the sign ordinance.

Budget & Financial Summary: N/A

Legal Review: N/A

Attachment:

Fuel Price Sign Letter

City Of College Station

Attn: Mr. Lance Simms

Regarding our conversation of yesterday involving College Station ordinance restricting price signs for motor fuel stores.

The current ordinance restricts a free standing sign to 16 square feet. The history of price signage has varied greatly, however the current 16' square feet is extremely restrictive. Attached is a picture of a existing sign.

Please consider that in most cases the speed limits range from 40 miles per hour to 50. That, as a given, then it becomes complicated by landscape requirements which greatly reduces the ability of drivers to read and understand how price competitive a store may be.

We are in an industry which lives off of two major things I.E. traffic and price. If potential customers cannot see our prices then they shop where the grocery chains can post letters two feet tall on their canopy etc.

The large grocery chains are destroying the fuel business for 100's of smaller stores by pricing and cross merchandising their fuel with grocery purchases. I.E. buy \$100.00 of grocery and get 10 cents off. As example five or six years ago there were 8 convenience stores between University and Harvey Road on Texas Avenue, today there are two.

Retail fuel stores must be able to display their prices so they can be readily seen. With the advent of payment by cash--- it becomes critical that three layers of product pricing is allowed.

The current 16 foot rule basically makes this impossible. Please look at the photo shown. We must have the ability to put three prices up which can be easily read.

Appearance- which would you rather have a store like the grocery chains that have prices all over their canopy or one with free standing sign for fuel.

Remember we are in an industry which basically lives off price of fuel – most everything else is sold because of the fuel offering.

Please approve raising the square footage allowed for fuel pricing to 5'x4' at the store in question rather than 4'x4'. The need is now.

Then as quickly as practicable please change the ordinance to allow 6'x4' rather than 4'x4'.

Thank you for trying to help.


Ray Hansen



This is what a driver sees before the ^(X) entrance
shown. Or maybe I should what the driver does NOT see

This store does NOT have a chance against the
"BIG Boxes" — — Unless we can

At 40 miles per hour — — how does one
make a decision.

hence,

~~HELP~~



This was taken once a driver is in the
ENTRANCE to the store



Legislation Details (With Text)

File #:	14-459	Version:	1	Name:	Library Audit
Type:	Report	Status:		Status:	Consent Agenda
File created:	5/9/2014	In control:		In control:	Council Workshop
On agenda:	5/12/2014	Final action:		Final action:	
Title:	Presentation, possible action, and discussion concerning the City Internal Auditor's Ringer Library Operations Audit.				
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Presentation, possible action, and discussion concerning the City Internal Auditor's Ringer Library Operations Audit.

Relationship to Strategic Goals: (Select all that apply)

- Good Governance
- Core Services and Infrastructure

Recommendation(s): The audit committee accepted the audit report and recommended implementation of the thirteen recommendations contained in the report.

Summary:

Reasons for the Audit: This audit was conducted per direction of the City of College Station Audit Committee. The Audit Committee requested assurance and consultation services in regards to: (1) how efficiently and effectively the Larry J. Ringer Library is being managed, (2) how to best spend the library redesign bond money, and (3) whether the Bryan-College Station interlibrary agreement is still in the best interest of the City of College Station.

Results from the Audit:

Library performance. We found that the majority of patrons are satisfied with the materials, services and programs being offered by the library. Nevertheless, we found several areas in which the library's effectiveness and efficiency could be improved. Specifically, we found that staff do not take full advantage of the technology available to them, there is an insufficiency in policies, procedures, and performance standards, and there is considerable amounts of down-time during the non-busy season.

Library redesign. We found that the library has insufficient space to adequately meet the needs of the community. Nearly all areas of the library need expansion or redesign, but the areas that should be given highest priority are the book drop, the library commons, library furnishings, and a children's area.

Bryan-College Station inter-library agreement. The Bryan-College Station inter-library agreement provides a major benefit for the City of College Station by effectively increasing the Ringer Library's collection and allowing for reduced expenses through shared costs. However, we found that one area of the inter-library agreement (the Twin City Inter-library loan program) places disproportionate costs on College Station, and a few other areas create unnecessary principal-agent issues.

Report Distribution: A full copy of the Ringer Library Operations Audit is on file in the City Secretary's Office. This report along with other reports conducted by the City Auditor's Office can be found at: <http://cstx.gov/index.aspx?page=2734>

Budget & Financial Summary: None

Attachments: None