

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
CITY OF COLLEGE STATION
JUNE 13, 2013

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF BRAZOS §

Present:

Nancy Berry, Mayor

Council:

Blanche Brick
Jess Fields
Karl Mooney
John Nichols
Julie Schultz
James Benham

City Staff:

Kathy Merrill, Interim City Manager
James "Rod" Hogan, Interim Assistant City Manager
Carla Robinson, City Attorney
Sherry Mashburn, City Secretary
Ian Whittenton, Records Management Coordinator

1. Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present

With a quorum present, the Workshop of the College Station City Council was called to order by Mayor Berry at 4:13 p.m. on Thursday, June 13, 2013 in the Council Chambers of the City of College Station City Hall, 1101 Texas Avenue, College Station, Texas 77842.

2. Council Group Photos

3. Executive Session

In accordance with the Texas Government Code §551.071-Consultation with Attorney, §551.072-Real Estate, §551.074-Personnel, and §551.087-Economic Development Negotiations, the College Station City Council convened into Executive Session at 4:22 p.m. on Thursday, June 13, 2013 in order to continue discussing matters pertaining to:

A. Consultation with Attorney to seek advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation; to wit:

- College Station v. Star Insurance Co., Civil Action No. 4:11-CV-02023.
- 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
- Tom Jagielski v. City of College Station, Cause No. 12-002918-CU-361, In the 361st District Court of Brazos County, Texas
- State v. Carol Arnold, Cause Number 11-02697-CRF-85, In the 85th District Court, Brazos County, Texas

B. Consultation with Attorney to seek legal advice; to wit:

- Legal issues related to city funding for preferred facilities access agreement between T AMU and CVB
- Legal issues to be considered associated with College Station's approaching 100,000 population

C. Deliberation on the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property; to wit:

- Property located at or near George Bush Drive and Holik Street
- Property located at or near University Drive and Tarrow/East Tarrow Streets in College Station

D. Deliberation on the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer; to wit:

- City Manager

E. Deliberation on economic development negotiations regarding an offer of financial or other incentives for a business prospect; to wit:

- Discuss economic development incentive negotiations with TAMUS

The Executive Session adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

4. Take action, if any, on Executive Session.

No action was required from Executive Session.

5. Presentation, possible action, and discussion on items listed on the consent agenda.

Item 2b was pulled for discussion.

2b: Venessa Garza, Greenways Program Manager, clarified the purchase of the 1.31 acres, some of which being in the flood plain, and the purchase price.

6. Presentation, possible action and discussion regarding an update on anticipated renovations to Kyle Field.

Phillip Ray, TAMU, reported that Texas A&M University, Athletic Department and the 12th Man Foundation desire to redevelop Kyle Field which has sections of the stadium that are

approaching 100 years old. This redevelopment will bring the stadium into current fire code compliance, ADA compliance, current technologic standards, and will eliminate all sightline issues at its completion. This project will give former students, fans and guests a greater modern game day experience, more seating, and in many cases, give the fans basic services that are currently lacking such as restroom capacity, wider concourses and concessions. The project will put chair-back seating in many locations served by bench seating now; add suites, loge boxes and related premium spaces; create a new stadium façade and construct new exterior plaza/mall areas which will enhance tailgating and stadium access along with demonstrating Aggie core values and history. Upon completion, Kyle Field will have a new seating capacity of 102,500. The project completion date is anticipated to be November 2015.

7. Presentation, possible action and discussion regarding Severe Weather Notification and the beginning of the 2013 Hurricane Season.

Brian Hilton, Emergency Management Coordinator, provided a brief history of tornadoes in College Station and Brazos County. He reported that 2% of tornados across the nation are considered as violent as those seen in Oklahoma. Severe weather warnings can be communicated via the Emergency Alert System (EAS), weather radios, and there are weather apps for smart phones. While a particular concern today, in 1990, a Tornado Siren Bond Election was not approved by voters. He noted that in College Station, straight-line winds and micro-bursts cause more property damage than tornados. The 2013 hurricane forecast predicts 13-20 named storms, 7-11 hurricanes, and 3-6 Category 3 hurricanes.

8. Council Calendar

- **June 18** **Citizen's Fire Academy Graduation Ceremony and Dinner, in Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.**
- **June 19** **Research Valley Partnership Board Meeting, RVP at 3:00 p.m.**
- **June 20** **P&Z Workshop/Meeting, Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m. (James Benham, Liaison)**
- **June 21** **Council Budget and Finance Committee Meeting, Administrative Conference Room at 1:30 p.m.**
- **June 24** **Retirement Reception for Chief Alley, Fire Station #6 at 3:30 p.m.**
- **June 25** **Council Transportation & Mobility Committee Meeting, Room 203, Conference Room A, Municipal Court - 310 Krenek Tap (2nd Floor) at 3 :30 p.m.**
- **June 27** **Executive Session/Workshop/Regular Meeting at 4:30,6:00 & 7:00 p.m.**

Council reviewed the Council calendar.

9. Presentation, possible action, and discussion on future 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.

Councilmember Schultz asked to see a future workshop item related to the backlog for the installation of electric meters. Timothy Crabb, Director of Electric Utilities, explained the reason for the delay and said that was being addressed.

Councilmember Mooney asked for an item related to the Comprehensive Plan and the distribution of lots for homes of less than \$250,000.

Councilmember Benham asked to discuss residential and suburban development.

10. Discussion, review and possible action regarding the following meetings: Animal Shelter Board, Arts Council of Brazos Valley, Arts Council Sub-committee, 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, BVWACS, 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.

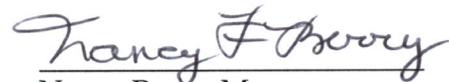
Mayor Berry reported on the MPO, and the BVCOG.

Councilmember Benham reported on the Research Valley Technology Council.

Councilmember Brick reported on the Chamber of Commerce Legislative Affairs Committee.

11. Adjournment

MOTION: There being no further business, Mayor Berry adjourned the workshop of the College Station City Council at 7:17 p.m. on Thursday, June 13, 2013.


Nancy Berry, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sherry Mashburn, City Secretary