

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
CITY OF COLLEGE STATION
FEBRUARY 26, 2015

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF BRAZOS §

Present:

Nancy Berry, Mayor

Council:

Blanche Brick
Steve Aldrich
Karl Mooney
John Nichols
Julie Schultz
James Benham, absent

City Staff:

Kelly Templin, City Manager
Chuck Gilman, Deputy City Manager
Carla Robinson, City Attorney
Sherry Mashburn, City Secretary
Tanya McNutt, Deputy 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 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 26, 2015 in the Council Chambers of the City of College Station City Hall, 1101 Texas Avenue, College Station, Texas 77840.

2. Executive Session

In accordance with the Texas Government Code §551.071-Consultation with Attorney, and §551.086-Competitive Matters, the College Station City Council convened into Executive Session at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 26, 2015 in order to continue discussing matters pertaining to:

- A. Consultation with Attorney to seek advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation; to wit:
- Cause No. 13-002978-CV-361, Deluxe Burger Bar of College Station, Inc. D/B/A Café Eccell 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

- Margaret L. Cannon v. Deputy Melvin Bowser, Officer Bobby Williams, Officer Tristan Lopez, Mr. Mike Formicella, Ms. Connie Spence, Cause No. 13 002189 CV 272, In the 272nd District Court of Brazos County, Texas
- Bobby Trant v. BVSWMA, Inc., Cause No. 33014, In the District Court, Grimes County, Texas, 12th Judicial District
- Juliao v. City of College Station, Cause No. 14-002168-CV-272, in the 272nd District Court of Brazos County, Texas

B. Consultation with attorney regarding legal advice; to wit:

- Legal advice regarding open meetings requirements for College Station public officials
- Legal advice regarding acquisition of property located generally east of State Highway 6 in College Station for a city water project

C. Deliberation, vote, or take final action of a competitive matter; to wit:

- Power Supply

The Executive Session adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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

No action was required from Executive Session.

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

Item 2e was pulled for clarification.

(2e): David Schmitz, Director of Parks and Recreation, gave clarification on the College Station ISD Natatorium use FY14 financial true-up to be paid from the City of College Station to the ISD for use of the CSISD Natatorium and the amount how it relates to other fiscal years.

5. Presentation, possible action and discussion regarding the recycling program for the City of College Station.

Donald Harmon, Director of Public Works, introduced Pete Caler, Assistant Director of Public Works, and Heather Woolwine, Recycling & Environmental Compliance Manager, who provided council with information on the city's recycling operations.

Heather Woolwine, Recycling & Environmental Compliance Manager, updated the Council on the recycling program, materials currently collected, efforts on expansion, and the current pilot program. She requested direction from Council on possible areas for expansion of the recycling program.

Pete Caler, Assistant Director of Public Works, addressed questions from Council about the feasibility of a stand-alone recycling center.

6. Presentation, possible action, and discussion regarding the changing of the name of Raintree Park to Art and Myra Bright Park.

David Schmitz, Director of Parks and Recreation, noted that Henry Wittner, representing the Raintree neighborhood, requested to rename Raintree Park to Art and Myra Bright Park. He reported that the Brights have been long-time residents and were instrumental in donating of their time and resources to several community organizations, such as CSISD and Habitat for Humanity. The Brights meet the guidelines noted in the City Naming of Facilities and Sub-Facilities Policy.

Henry Wittner, addressed council on the contributions of the Brights to the College Station area.

Chrissy Hester, gave additional comments about the Brights impact on the College Station area.

7. Presentation and discussion regarding Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI).

Timothy Crabb, Director of Electric Utilities, briefed the Council on the background of water and electric Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) and introduced, Ned Brown with Schneider Engineering, who provided Council with additional information.

Ned Brown, Schneider Engineering, presented information on water and electric AMI, including who is deploying, possibilities for funding, and the benefits and challenges of adopting the technology.

Dave Coleman, Director of Water Services, gave clarification on the capabilities of AMI water meters.

8. Council Calendar

Council reviewed the calendar.

9. Presentation, possible action, and discussion on future agenda items: a Councilmember 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 Brick requested an item reviewing the policy for naming City facilities.

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 her attendance with Councilmember Nichols and City Secretary Sherry Mashburn, to the Texas Municipal League Region 10 meeting.

Councilmember Shultz, gave an update on the RVP.

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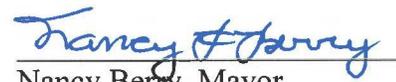
Councilmember Nichols, Brazos County Health Department.

Councilmember Mooney reported that the CVB meeting will take place this Tuesday.

Councilmember Brick, gave an update on the Transportation and Mobility Committee.

11. Adjournment

MOTION: There being no further business, Mayor Berry adjourned the workshop of the College Station City Council at 7:06 p.m. on Thursday, February 26, 2015.


Nancy Berry, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sherry Mashburn, City Secretary