

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
CITY OF COLLEGE STATION
NOVEMBER 12, 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

City Staff:

Kelly Templin, City Manager
Chuck Gilman, Deputy City Manager
Carla Robinson, City Attorney
Sherry Mashburn, City Secretary
Tanya McNutt, Deputy City Secretary

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 4:03 p.m. on Thursday, November 12, 2015 in the Council Chambers of the City of College Station City Hall, 1101 Texas Avenue, College Station, Texas 77840.

2. Hazmat Fire Truck Tour.

Council toured the Hazmat Fire Truck.

3. Executive Session

In accordance with the Texas Government Code §551.071-Consultation with Attorney, and §551.074-Personnel, the College Station City Council convened into Executive Session at 4:25 p.m. on Thursday, November 12, 2015 in order to continue discussing matters pertaining to:

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

- 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
- City of College Station, Texas, v. Embrace Brazos Valley, Inc., Cause No. 15-000804-CV-85, In the 85th Judicial District Court, Brazos County, Texas.

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

- Advice regarding legal requirements and issues concerning 4B corporations.

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

- Internal Auditor

The Executive Session adjourned at 5:40 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.

Items 2d, 2e, 2h, 2i, and 2j were pulled for clarification.

(2d): Ron Kaiser, BCAD Board member, said they were looking at a fixed rate option of 3.58%. He also clarified that the reserve fund was intended to be used to purchase land and build a building. He noted that CAD reserves do not have to be as large as those for a municipality. Current reserves are \$983,000.

(2e): Debbie Eller, Director of Community Services, clarified the down payment assistance program.

(2h, 2i, 2j): Donald Harmon, Director of Public Works, clarified that the first two items were requested by the schools. The third was requested by a resident.

6. Presentation, possible action, and discussion regarding an update on the City's rental registration program.

Lance Simms, Director of Planning and Development, and Bridgette George, Planning and Development, demonstrated a recently-developed GIS program used to access rental property information. The software provides the ability for online initial registration and renewal of rental properties.

Debbie Eller, Director of Community Services, explained how rental registration tracking will benefit the community. Marie Delgado, IT Specialist, demonstrated the GIS platform and how the application can be utilized.

Mayor Berry recessed the workshop at 7:08 p.m.

The Workshop reconvened at 8:28 p.m.

7. Presentation, possible action, and discussion regarding possible implementation of impact fees for transportation and water/wastewater infrastructure.

Alan Gibbs, City Engineer, stated that Texas law allows municipalities to charge impact fees to pay a portion of the infrastructure costs caused by growth. He reminded Council that in 2010 and 2011, Council declined to implement impact fees for Transportation, and then Water/Wastewater, respectively. If Council wants to re-consider implementation of Impact Fees, then formal studies are required for each, for an estimated cost of \$150,000.

Council consensus was go forward with the studies.

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.

Mayor Berry requested an item on block length.

10. Discussion, review and possible action regarding the following meetings: Animal Shelter Board, Annexation Task Force, 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, Sister Cities Association, Transportation and Mobility Committee, TAMU Student Senate, Texas Municipal League, Twin City Endowment, Youth Advisory Council, Zoning Board of Adjustments,

Councilmember Mooney reported on the YMCA.

Councilmember Brick reported on the Transportation Committee and the Veteran's Memorial event.

Councilmember Aldrich reported on the Sons of the American Revolution and the recognition given to College Station Fire and Police.

11. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Berry adjourned the workshop of the College Station City Council at 9:02 p.m. on Thursday, November 12, 2015.



Nancy Berry, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sherry Mashburn, City Secretary