

ACTION FORM BRYAN CITY COUNCIL

DATE OF COUNCIL MEETING: April 14, 2015		DATE SUBMITTED: April 2, 2015	
DEPARTMENT OF ORIGIN: CMO		SUBMITTED BY: Joey Dunn	
MEETING TYPE:	CLASSIFICATION:	ORDINANCE:	STRATEGIC INITIATIVE:
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<input type="checkbox"/> WORKSHOP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR		<input type="checkbox"/> INFRASTRUCTURE
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> QUALITY OF LIFE
AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION: Consideration of an ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article III of the Bryan Code of Ordinances to establish the Bryan Senior Advisory Committee.			
SUMMARY STATEMENT: On March 10, 2015, City Council provided direction to staff to prepare an ordinance creating a senior advisory committee, and to bring the item to the first council meeting in April. Council also asked for a workshop item to hear from experts on senior programs in the area.			
<p>At the March 24, 2015 City Council Workshop, the City Council heard presentations from Ronnie Gipson with the Brazos Valley Area Agency on Aging, and Marci Rodgers, Senior Programs Coordinator with the City of College Station.</p> <p>This proposed ordinance creates the Bryan Senior Advisory Committee to serve in an advisory capacity concerning activities, events or programs for senior citizens, as well as issues or concerns specifically impacting seniors in the city of Bryan. The committee will provide recommendations and advice to the City Council. Members of the committee must:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. reside within the City of Bryan 2. be at least fifty-five (55) years of age or older; and 3. not have served more than two (2) full consecutive terms on the committee <p>As proposed, the committee will consist of at least six (6) but no more than sixteen (16) members appointed by City Council for two (2) year staggered terms. Meetings are to be held monthly at a time and location provided by the City Manager, and the Committee will appoint its own chair and vice chair.</p>			
STAFF ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval of this ordinance creating the Bryan Senior Advisory Committee, which will provide valuable feedback and input to the City regarding activities, events or programs for senior citizens in the City of Bryan.			
OPTIONS (In Suggested Order of Staff Preference):			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve ordinance 2. Modify ordinance, which may require consideration at a future City Council meeting 3. Deny ordinance 			
ATTACHMENTS: Proposed ordinance			
FUNDING SOURCE: City of Bryan General Fund			

APPROVALS: Hugh R. Walker, 04/06/2015

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL: CITY MANAGER Kean Register, 04-06-2015

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL: CITY ATTORNEY Janis K. Hampton, 04-06-2015

Revised 05/2013

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BRYAN AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ENACTING DIVISION 16 “BRYAN SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE” ESTABLISHING AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS IN THE CITY OF BRYAN; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETINGS AT WHICH THE ORDINANCE IS PASSED ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the city council is authorized by Sections 1 and 5 of the City of Bryan Charter to create appointed committees to advise the city council regarding the affairs of the city within the scope of that committee’s duties; and

WHEREAS, the city council has determined there is a need to create a senior advisory committee to assist the city in better serving its senior citizens by providing guidance, insight, and advocacy on behalf of the citizens of this city who are fifty-five (55) years of age or above; and

WHEREAS, the city council recognizes that there are needs and concerns specific to seniors within this community that need to be addressed, and that the city council wants to draw from the experience of those most affected in order to determine the priority of those needs and concerns; and

WHEREAS, the city council desires to partner with existing senior advocacy groups to work with and join the committee to assess and address the concerns of the seniors in this community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRYAN, TEXAS:

1.

Chapter 2, Article III of the city’s Code of Ordinances is amended to add Division 16, “Bryan Senior Advisory Committee” to read as follows:

2-410. – Created; Purpose.

There is hereby created the Bryan Senior Advisory Committee to serve in advisory capacity concerning activities, events, or programs for senior citizens, as well as issues or concerns specifically impacting seniors.

2-411. – Membership; Eligibility.

(a) Members of the committee must:

- i. reside within the corporate limits of the city;
- ii. be at least fifty-five (55) years of age or older; and
- iii. not have served more than two (2) full consecutive terms on the committee.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, members are appointed for two (2) year staggered terms. Half the positions filled upon the committee’s creation shall be for one (1) year terms.

- (c) The committee shall consist of at least six (6) but no more than sixteen (16) members depending on the availability of eligible candidates.
- (d) Members shall be appointed by the city council. Special consideration shall be given to ensure parity of representation from existing groups geared towards seniors as well as ensuring a broad cross section of the community from all areas of the city.

2-412. – Meetings; Duties.

- (a) A quorum of the committee is a majority of the positions currently filled. Meetings should be scheduled monthly at a time and location provided by the city manager.
- (b) The committee may establish its own rules of procedure, subject to and in compliance with the city's charter, code of ordinances, and general policies established by the city council. Each year, the committee shall appoint a chair and vice chair.
- (c) The committee shall provide recommendations and advice to the city council regarding issues concerning seniors, availability of activities for seniors, or any other topic within the purview of the committee.

2.

The Bryan City Code, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this ordinance.

3.

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

4.

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any purpose, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

5.

It is hereby found and determined that the meetings at which this ordinance was passed were open to the public, as required by Section 551.001, *et seq.*, of the Texas Government Code, and that advance public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meetings was given, pursuant to all applicable law.

6.

That it is the intention of the city council that this ordinance shall become a part of the Bryan City Code of Ordinances and it may be renumbered and codified therein accordingly.

7.

This ordinance shall take effect from and after its second and final reading.

PRESENTED AND GIVEN first reading the 14th day of April, 2015, at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bryan, Texas; and given second reading, **PASSED AND APPROVED** on the 28th day of April, 2015, by a vote of ____ ayes and ____ noes at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bryan, Texas.

ATTEST:

CITY OF BRYAN:

Mary Lynne Stratta, City Secretary

Jason P. Bienski, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Janis K. Hampton, City Attorney