

**BRYAN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING
JANUARY 12, 2016**

The Bryan City Council held a workshop meeting on Tuesday, January 12, 2016, in the Council Chambers of the Bryan Municipal Building. A notice of the meeting was posted at least 72 hours in advance in accordance with Section 551, Texas Government Code. Mayor Jason Bienski and Councilmembers Rafael Peña, Mike Southerland, Ben Hardeman and Buppy Simank were present. Councilmembers Al Saenz and Greg Owens were absent. City Manager Kean Register, City Attorney Janis Hampton and City Secretary Mary Lynne Stratta were in attendance.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:41 p.m.

2. PRESENTATION BY HUDDLE UP GROUP ON BEHALF OF THE BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU REGARDING SPORTS MARKETING

This item was not discussed.

3. PRESENTATION BY STAFF REGARDING VEHICLE FOR HIRE AND TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY REGULATIONS

Deputy City Manager Hugh Walker reported city ordinances regarding transportation network company (TNC) regulations varied across the country. He provided the history of Bryan's meetings about this topic and feedback from taxi drivers and companies, TNC's and the City of College Station. He reviewed five suggested options for the Council's consideration and asked for direction. After a lengthy discussion, Council asked that staff prepare an ordinance that mirrored College Station's relative to TNC's and to also bring back an ordinance to amend taxis and other vehicle for hire requirements.

4. PRESENTATION BY STAFF REGARDING ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND HOME FUNDS

Community Development Department Manager Alsie Bond explained programs offered through Community Development Block Grant funds and HOME funds. She discussed affordable housing projects, Community Development Advisory Committee activities, required public hearings and annual reports, community outreach, monitoring activities, Joint Relief Funding Review Committee activities, etc. She listed five-year accomplishments from the 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan period. Mrs. Bond thanked committee members and Community Development staff members for their hard work on behalf of the City of Bryan.

5. DISCUSSION REGARDING CONSENT/STATUTORY AGENDA ITEMS FOR REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 12, 2016

Council briefly discussed agenda items 7 f and 8 b of the consent/statutory agenda. No action was taken regarding the items discussed.

6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmembers provided reports on recent meetings of the following boards and committees: BTU Board, Bryan-College Station Convention and Visitors Bureau Board, Bryan Business Council and the Bryan-Brazos County Economic Development Foundation, Inc., Board.

7. ADJOURN

Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

City Secretary Mary Lynne Stratta

Mayor Jason P. Bienski