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City Resumes In-Person City Council Meetings; Zoom Toll Free Call-in Options No Longer Available

New Braunfels, TX – The City of New Braunfels will resume in-person New Braunfels City Council meetings, while also maintaining virtual meetings for those that would prefer to watch and participate remotely. This includes the City Council meetings that are regularly held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, and also the special meeting being held on Thursday, Sept. 10, 2020, at 6pm in Council Chambers at New Braunfels City Hall.

It is important to note that, due to a software change by Zoom, the toll free phone options to participate in the virtual meetings have been deactivated. An updated City Council agenda reflecting that change has been published and is attached to this release. Therefore, anyone whose sole option to participate in a Council meeting was through those toll free numbers will now need to either participate during the in-person Council meeting or to utilize some of the other virtual options that are available. State-mandated health protocols will be in place at these in-person meetings, including requirements to stay socially distant and to wear a mask.

"City business must continue, but it must be done safely for everyone involved," said New Braunfels Mayor Rusty Brockman. "We ask that those that will be attending City Council meetings in person do so with the health and safety of all in mind, and that they continue to follow the Governor's orders."

Anyone wishing to provide Citizens' Communications to City Council for something not on the City Council agenda, can do so before the meeting begins by using one of these three options:

• Email: citizencomments@nbtexas.org

Voicemail: 830-221-4299

• Online: nbtexas.org/comment

These emails, voicemails, and messages will be distributed to the City Council prior to City Council meetings.

City Council agendas can be <u>viewed online</u>. All City Council meetings, including those using video conference, can still be viewed live online and on television through the <u>City Website</u>, Spectrum Channel 21, or U-verse Channel 99.

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