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**Popular City University Program Application Deadline December 2nd**

**New Braunfels, Texas** — The New Braunfels City University program allows citizens to experience the workings of their city government first hand. The curriculum is designed to encourage a well informed public and potentially increase their engagement and interaction in city government.

Applications for the 2017 session of the free City University program will be accepted at City Hall through 5:00 p.m. on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Applicants must be residents of the city, or its extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ), and be at least 17 years of age. Space in the annual program is limited.

Eleven meetings, and then a graduation dinner, are held over selected Thursday evening's beginning on January 5, 2017.

“City University is an interactive learning experience and has been very well received in the community,” said Gary Wuest, Human Resources Director. “The hands-on experiences, behind-the-scene tours, group discussions and demonstrations from many city departments and New Braunfels Utilities provide a unique understanding of municipal operations and promote transparency/open government. Many of our city boards and commissions have City University graduates serving on them – even our City Council.”

City University applications are available at City Hall, 550 Landa Street, from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or online at [www.nbtexas.org/cityuniversity](http://www.nbtexas.org/cityuniversity). Call 830-221-4397, or email [rpence@nbtexas.org](mailto:rpence@nbtexas.org), for additional information or to obtain an application by mail or email.

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Optional photos attached:

Among others, New Braunfels Fire Department paramedics, Animal Control officers and Capital Projects staff provide hands-on experiences for City University participants.