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Planning Commission to hold April 7 meeting online

New Braunfels, TX – The City of New Braunfels monthly Planning Commission meeting will be held as scheduled Tuesday April 7 at 6:00 pm. However, rather than being held in City Council chambers, the meeting will instead be held online. “In order to ensure the safety of the public and adhere to local and state Stay Home-Work Safe orders, we will use an online platform to host the meeting.”, said Christopher Looney, Planning and Development Services Director.

“The Planning Commissioners and City staff will be conducting the meeting from various locations remotely. Applicants and the public will be able to dial in or log in to participate in the meeting.”, stated Stacy Snell, Planning Manager. “Information on how to dial/log in to participate will be printed on the Planning Commission agenda when posted 72 hours prior to the meeting.” Ms. Snell also indicated that “if a citizen would rather not participate online, but would like to submit comments about an agenda item, they can do so by emailing planning@nbtexas.org. The City must receive any such comments or other materials the participants would like to share with the Commission by 5:00 pm, Monday April 6. We appreciate the flexibility of our residents and commission members during this time. For those who just want to view the Planning Commission meeting, and not participate, these meetings will continue to be broadcast as normal through the City website and over the Local Access Channels, Spectrum 21, and Uverse 99.”, stated Ms. Snell.

Appointed by City Council, the Planning Commission is a 9-member advisory body that makes recommendations to City Council on rezoning requests and other planning-related topics. They are also the commission who makes final decisions on commercial and residential subdivision plat applications. “Pursuant to recently approved state law, once a developer submits a plat to the City, the Commission must take action on the subdivision plat within 30 days, or the plat is automatically approved as submitted.”, Mr. Looney noted.

For more information about the Planning Commission, or to read the local orders issued by the Mayor related to COVID-19, please visit the City website at www.nbtexas.org/COVID-19 For questions about the orders, the public may call the City’s COVID-19 hotline at (830) 221-4222. The agenda and packet for the Planning Commission’s meetings will be available online 72 hours before the meeting. For more information, please contact Stacy Snell at ssnell@nbtexas.org.

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