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**Texas Municipal League Annual Conference Attended by City of Navasota**

Navasota City council members and staff attended the Texas Municipal League Annual Conference and Exhibition at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, October 3rd-6th.

The event hosted more than 2,300 elected and appointed city leaders and staff from across Texas with the opportunity to discuss issues and explore solutions to the challenges facing local governments. Attendees also visited with many vendors, suppliers, consultants, engineers & other business partners at the exhibit hall. The conference was dedicated to the many city officials who could not attend because they were helping their communities recover from damage caused by Hurricane Harvey.

During the conference, city officials heard presentations from keynote speakers who included Captain Jerry Linenger, NASA astronaut and hero; Dr. Kelly McGonigal, health psychologist; and Michelle Poler, researcher and influencer. Attendees also had a menu of concurrent sessions to choose from in the areas of infrastructure, finance, planning, safety and wellness, and community engagement. City Manager Brad Stafford, Assistant City Manager & Director of Public Safety Shawn Myatt, Mayor Bert Miller, Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt & Councilmember Josh Fultz along with Casey Ellis, Marketing/ Communications Coordinator and Lupe Diosdado, Community Development Director were in attendance.

At the Texas Association of Mayors, Councilmembers and Commissioners (TAMCC) meeting, Mayor Bert Miller was elected as second Vice President. He also moderated a session "Creating Safe & Sustainable Communities for Your Citizens."

City Manager Brad Stafford participated as a presenter in the session "Down-To-Earth Strategies for a Stellar Downtown."

More than 4,500 city officials, guests, and exhibitors attended the Texas Municipal League's 2017 Annual Conference and Exhibition. The League is a voluntary association of more than 1,150 Texas towns and cities. The City of Navasota is a member of the Texas Municipal League.

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