

What to Expect From Your City Attorney... Legal Counsel, Mediator, Confidant, Problem Solver...and How I Do It!

Brandon Davis

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER



30,000 Foot View

- We work on many different types of projects at the same time for the same client.
- Work with City Management to ensure that everything and everyone is working together
- Various projects and people intersect, and we have to help staff manage those projects to make sure they don't crash into each other.
 - Example: An employee dispute with a customer and/or developer that turns into a legal issue with political consequences that also involves TPIA requests.

BABYSITTER



HUMAN RESOURCES/EMPLOYMENT LAW

- Employee Discipline
- Investigations
- Drafting and interpreting personnel policies
- Dispute resolution between employees

OFFICE WORKER



OFFICE WORK

- Respond to Texas Public Information Act Requests
- Draft ordinances and resolutions
- Contract Review
- Interpret zoning regulations

UTILITY WORKER



Utility/FEMA Related Projects

- TCEQ Disputes
- FEMA compliance and appeals
- Contractor negotiations and disputes
- Customer Negotiations

WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY



Presentation Title

Press Secretary

- Develop strategies on how to handle the news media
- Help prepare press releases and statements
- Be the point of contact for reporters during times of crises.

BUSINESS DEVELOPER



Development Attorney

- Negotiate with developers
- Create special districts
- Negotiate tax abatements and 380 agreements
- Review and prepare real estate documents
- Advise staff and the council on business deals

WARRIOR



Litigator

- Municipal Court Prosecution
- Represent the City in civil legal matters in the courtroom
- Represent the City in disputed zoning and building matters

REFEREE



Appear in City Council/Board Meetings

- Advise our clients in council/board meetings
- Help our elected officials by giving them the information needed to make informed decisions.
- Answer questions about procedures and open meetings rules

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Piece of Advice that I
Can Give You Today Is...

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(Call Your Attorney)