

## Agenda Item Details

Meeting	May 05, 2026 - Bryan City Council Second Regular Meeting
Category	6. Statutory (Automatic Approval) Agenda - This agenda consists of items previously approved by Council action such as adoption of items that are part of an approved budget or capital improvement projects, first and only readings of ordinances, interlocal agreements, or action that is required by law or delegated to the City Manager. Items may be removed from the statutory agenda for separate consideration at the request of two Councilmembers.
Subject	B. Consideration and possible approval of an extension of the application deadline for nonconsent towing services, in accordance with Bryan City Ordinance Chapter 126, Article IV Bryan Code of Ordinances
Type	Action (Statutory)
Preferred Date	May 05, 2026
Absolute Date	May 05, 2026
Fiscal Impact	No
Budgeted	No
Goals	<a href="#">Service</a>

### Summary:

Since 2014, the City of Bryan has required tow truck companies to obtain a permit through a specific application process before engaging in nonconsent towing. Nonconsent towing occurs when a vehicle is towed without the owner's consent, typically at the direction of law enforcement or a property owner due to violations such as illegal parking. The permit requirement is authorized by Chapter 126, Article IV of the Bryan Code of Ordinances, which provides: "Permits shall be for a period of one year, effective February 1. The deadline for the yearly application process shall be December 1 of the year immediately preceding the year of the effective date of the permit. When the yearly application process closes, new applications will not be accepted until the following December." The ordinance does not provide for a grace period, late application process, or any other administrative exception. The deadline may be extended by a vote of the Bryan City Council.

Recently, a towing company failed to meet the deadline to apply for a 2026 annual permit authorizing nonconsent towing operations. The company is currently in good standing and has a long history of meeting annual permit application deadlines. The company has subsequently requested they be allowed to obtain a 2026 permit notwithstanding its failure to timely submit the required application.

### Staff Analysis and Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the deadline extension request and recommends a new deadline of June 1, 2026, for submitting an application for a 2026 permit to engage in nonconsent towing, with any permit granted pursuant to this extension expiring on January 31, 2027. If approved, staff further recommends the extension be granted subject to the towing company's acknowledgment that all future applications must be submitted in accordance with the established deadline. If the deadline for 2026 applications is extended, staff believes the same opportunity should be made available to any other company that failed to meet the 2026 application deadline who is in good standing and had a long-established no recent history of missing annual permit application deadlines.

### Options:

- Approve the deadline extension with required acknowledgment
- Deny the deadline extension and require compliance with the next permitting cycle

### Attachment(s):

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