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Mayor issues statement on A&P decision

The following is a statement from Mayor Harold Perrin on today's action by the Jonesboro Advertising & Promotion Commission:

"I'm pleased that Jonesboro will be getting a convention center. This city government and others have been working on a convention center for at least seven years, and it appears that it will soon be a reality.

"I would like to congratulate Chuck Keller Sr. and his organization for putting together a successful proposal, and we look forward to working with him in the future to bring more people to Jonesboro for meetings, conventions and other activities.

"I also would like to express my appreciation to the A&P Commission for thoroughly analyzing the two proposals that were put forward and for making the difficult decision.

"Although ASU's proposal was not successful in getting A&P money, there should not be any doubt about the fact that Jonesboro strongly supports our university. If O'Reilly Hospitality Management goes forward with its hotel and convention center proposal, we will do whatever we can to help."

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