

CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL
STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING

COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM

Recap – 4/5/16

- I. Call to Order: Chairwoman Berz called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. A quorum was present, including Chair Berz and Councilmen Gilbert, Grohn, Hakeem, Henderson and Mitchell. The assigned attorney was Mr. Hinton. Mayor's staff included Ms. Richardson, Ms. Sullivan and Mr. Carmody. Other staff were Ms. Williams, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Messner, Mr. Noblett, Ms. Gober and Ms. Hayes. Council staff present was Ms. Gwyn. Press present was Mr. Wilson, Mr. Strickland and Ms. Spirato. Mr. Evans, community member, was also present. Councilmen Anderson, Freeman and Smith arrived after the call to order.

- I. Old Business
 - A. Council Agenda for 4/5/16:
 1. Councilman Grohn requested an update from Public Works on the biosolids program. Ms. Sullivan will ask Public Works to provide an update for the Council.
 2. Hidden Acres Bond Issue: Mr. Smith informed the Council that Mr. Francis, the attorney for the developer, had responded via email to all questions posed to him in last week's Council meeting.
 - B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session for 4/5: (No further information needed)
 - C. Committees for 4/5: (Economic & Community Development; Public Works & Transportation)
 1. Councilman Smith informed the Council that the Public Safety Committee meeting with District Attorney General Neal Pinkston was no longer needed since Mr. Pinkston is meeting with Mayor Berke to address the VRI. The committee meeting would be cancelled.
 2. Councilman Henderson moved to withdraw the subpoena for General Pinkston. Councilman Anderson seconded. The motion carried.
 - D. Other:
 1. YFD Board Appointments (Districts 1, 2 & 3)
 2. Pending Legislative Matters:
 - Adult Oriented Establishments – Mr. Hinton informed the Council that the legal counsel for the Love Shack has three weeks to respond to the city's request for additional information on revenue and sales.
 - Bessie Smith Legislation – Councilmen Hakeem, Smith & Mitchell
 - Illegal Tire Dumping – Mr. Hinton
 - Maximum Occupancy in R-1 Zoning – Mr. Hinton is focusing on the definition of a boarding house and is working on recommended guidelines for communities.
 - Sign Ordinance – Councilman Anderson (4/19; Economic & Community Development)
 - VRI Data/Social Services Work Group – Councilman Henderson has met with Councilman Grohn and Councilman Hakeem to identify the information they are requesting in regards to VRI and the work group.
 - Disparity Study – Councilman Hakeem distributed an overview of disparity studies. Chairwoman Berz scheduled a disparity study discussion for next week (4/12; Strategic Planning) from 1:00 – 1:45 p.m. The Council will discuss what a disparity study is and if there is a goal and plan of action.

3. Pending Presentations:
 - Cameras for YFD Centers – Ms. Sullivan informed the Council of the infrastructure upgrades that are almost complete at the centers. She also discussed the placement of the cameras and the cost. Mr. Carmody informed the Council of the 15 centers being upgraded and the ways in which sites were prioritized.
 - Consent Decree – Councilman Smith will work with Mr. Holland on a date to continue the discussion on the consent decree.
 - CDBG, ESG & HOME Entitlements – Ms. Williams distributed information to the Council on the three grants. Ms. Gober discussed the anticipated program income and the proposed resolution recommending the allocation of \$2.7 million for the program. She also informed the Council of the 30-day public notice that was required before the resolution. Ms. Williams informed the Council on the allocation of funds and the quarterly RFP.
4. Status Reports on Staffing Matters – Councilman Freeman (4/5; Strategic Planning)
 - Charter Questions – Mr. Mitchell reported that the draft of the charter amendment regarding the management analyst position had been sent via email.
 - HR Considerations – Councilman Freeman reported that he had spoken with Mr. Dockery in HR to discuss the management analyst job description.
 - Inquiry: Atlanta’s City Council – Councilman Hakeem
 - UTC Graduate Program: Political Science – Councilmen Anderson informed the Council that he has met with Dr. Deardorff at UTC to discuss internships. UTC needs to know if the internships will be paid, or if students will gain college credits from their work.
5. Meeting with Legislators – Councilmen Hakeem, Smith & Mitchell
6. Budget Timeline:
 - May 17 -- Receive Budget
 - May 31 -- Operation Budget Work Session #1 (10am-2pm)
 - June 7 -- Operation Budget Work Session #2 (10am-2pm)
 - June 21 -- Capital Budget Work Session (10am-2pm)
 - June 21 -- 1st Reading of Operations & Capital Budgets
 - June 28 -- 2nd Reading of Operations & Capital Budgets

II. New Business

- A. Council Agenda for 4/12/16
- B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session for 4/12
- C. Committees for 4/12: (Public Works and Transportation)

III. Attorney/Client Privileged Meeting (*Not needed*)

IV. Adjournment: Chairwoman Berz adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m.