

CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL
STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING

COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM

Recap – 4/26/16

I. Call to Order: Chairman Freeman called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm. A quorum was present, including Councilmen Anderson, Gilbert, Hakeem, Henderson, Mitchell and Smith. Councilwoman Berz arrived after the call to order. Councilman Grohn was not present. The assigned attorney was Mr. Noblett. Mayor's staff included Ms. Richardson, Ms. Sullivan and Ms. Cooper. Other staff were Chief Fletcher, Mr. Carmody, Ms. Williams and Ms. Gober. Council staff present was Ms. Gwyn. Press present was Mr. Wilson and Mr. Leach.

I. Special Presentations:

1. CPD Update: Chief Fletcher updated the Council on the recent "enhanced posture" of the CPD that resulted in 174 custody arrests (of which 44 were gang members) and removed 19 guns from the streets. He also discussed CPD's traffic focus. Councilman Hakeem recommended a letter of thanks from the Council to CPD's federal partners.
2. Tiny House Demonstration: Jeremy Weaver, a fellow at Causeway, brought his tiny house for the Council to tour. He has been building tiny houses for two years and is looking into developing a community of tiny houses in the M.L. King or Southside areas. He responded to questions from the Council on the following: taxes, sewer taps, target residents and target date.

[The Council took a 10 minute break to tour the house.]

II. Old Business

- A. Council Agenda for 4/26/16: Regarding the liquor licenses on the past two Council agendas, Chairman Freeman clarified that new licenses must come before the Council, but renewals do not.
- B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session for 4/26: In lieu of an Economic and Community meeting, Councilman Anderson informed the Council that Ms. Williams will make a presentation on HOME program awards.
- C. Committees for 4/26: (Public Works and Transportation)
- D. Other:
 1. YFD Board Appointments (Districts 1, 2 & 3)
 2. Pending Legislative Matters:
 - Adult Oriented Establishments – Mr. Noblett informed the Council that the Love Shack's attorney will send documentation of sales and report on their inventory. A discussion ensued. The Council asked Mr. Noblett to research what can be done city-wide regarding adult establishments. *[This item will be removed from future agendas.]*
 - Bessie Smith Legislation – Councilmen Hakeem, Smith and Mitchell agreed
 - Illegal Tire Dumping – Mr. Noblett confirmed that Ms. Roderick will be available at the Agenda Session to discuss this item. *[This item will be removed from future agendas.]*

- Boarding House Legislation – Councilman Anderson agreed to hear the attorney’s findings on the boarding houses during Economic and Community Development Committee in two weeks (5/10).
 - Sign Ordinance – Councilman Anderson (No further information needed)
 - VRI Data/Social Services Work Group – Councilman Henderson informed the Council that Councilman Hakeem no longer needs to pursue information regarding the VRI and work group. *[This item will be removed from future agendas.]*
3. Pending Presentation:
- Public Stuff App – (5/3)
 - Disparity Study – (5/10 @ 12:30 p.m.)
4. Meeting with Legislators – Councilmen Hakeem, Smith & Mitchell agreed that a meeting would not take place until after the end of this session from the Tennessee General Assembly. *[This item will be removed from future agendas.]*
5. Budget Year-End Items – Councilman Mitchell is working to get dollar estimates on the security items. He stated that the fireproof safe requested by staff would be ordered from this year’s budget. Chairman Freeman confirmed that he will finish the purchases from this fiscal year, while Councilwoman Berz, the new Budget and Finance chair, will proceed with budgeting for next fiscal year’s purchases.
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

III. New Business

- A. Council Agenda for 5/3/16: (No further information needed)
- B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session for 5/3: (No further information needed)
- C. Committees for 5/3: (Planning and Zoning)

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

V. Adjournment: Chairman Freeman adjourned the meeting at 2:46 p.m.