

CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL
STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING

COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM

Recap – 10/04/16

- I. Call to Order: Councilman Freeman called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m. A quorum was present, including Vice Chair Mitchell and Councilmen Anderson, Gilbert, Grohn, Hakeem, Henderson and Smith. Councilwoman Berz was not present. The assigned attorney was Mr. Hinton. Mayor's staff included Ms. Richardson, Mr. Carmody, Ms. Bell and Ms. Sadler. Other staff present was Mr. Bridger. Council staff present was Ms. Booker. Press present was Mr. Leach.

- II. Old Business:
 - A. Council Agenda for 10/04/16: (No further information needed)
 - B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session for 10/04: (No further information needed)
 - C. Committees for 10/04: (Public Safety; Planning & Zoning)
 - D. Other:
 1. YFD Board Appointments - (Districts 1 & 2)
 2. Legislative Rules/Procedures- Mr. Hinton said he would follow up with Mr. Reisman this issue next Tuesday for discussion at the 10/11 Strategic Planning meeting.
 3. HEB/IDB Nominations- Mr. Hinton explained the vacancies on these boards and said it is up to the council whether or not they wanted to fill the vacancies. Mr. Hinton would get with Council Staff to review who left the board, how long the unexpired term is and what districts appointed those members. He would advise the council once that information was obtained. Councilwoman Berz requested a list of all members on the boards with vacancies. Mr. Hinton agreed to provide a list of members.
 4. Political Activities/Council Staff- Councilman Freeman explained that if the public would perceive the request as Political Activity then it should not be done within the confines of the City Council building. Councilman Hakeem requested clarification whether working on voter registration drives, which are open to anyone, are political activity. Mr. Hinton stated he would review the city code as it relates to political activity and he would get back to Council.
 5. Pending Legislative Matters:
 - Sign Ordinance – Mr. Hinton said his office is working on one more definition to be adjusted before presenting it to the Council.
 6. Pending Presentations:
 - Cable/Fiber Optics: Councilman Anderson requested that all questions and concerns be emailed to him so they may be answered during the next ECD Committee.
 - Short Term Vacation Rentals/FAQ-
 - a. Councilwoman Berz had several concerns with the language of the ordinance regarding the enforcement process. Several councilmembers had concerns about the compliance period that is currently written. Mr. Hinton and Mr. Bridger agreed to discuss language changes with the Council.

- b. Several councilmembers voiced concerns over complaints being filed against properties but nothing was being done to correct the issues. Ms. Richardson requested the locations of concern and so that Administration can look into them. Mr. Hinton agreed to provide her the list of locations.
- c. Councilman Anderson requested a very comprehensive list of any changes to the document. Mr. Bridger agreed to provide that to the council.
- d. Councilman Henderson requested clarification from Mr. Hinton on the protocol for deliberating in Strategic Planning meetings. Mr. Hinton agreed they were authorized to deliberate during the strategic planning meetings.
- e. A discussion ensued with Mr. Bridger about zoning for short term rentals, Mr. Bridger stated he would include some of his findings in the short term rental discussion being held on 10/11.

III. New Business:

A. Council Agenda for 10/11/16:

1. Resolutions agenda item VII (H):

- Councilman Henderson requested this agenda item be moved to the October 18th to allow for Mr. Bridger and Mr. Hinton to make updates to the document and to allow the council to discuss the topic at the October 11th Strategic Planning meeting. Council agreed to this change. A public notice was requested to notify the public of the agenda item change.

B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session for 10/11: (No further information needed)

C. Committees for 10/11: (Public Works & Transportation; Economic & Community Development; Planning & Zoning)

D. Other:

1. Councilman Gilbert requested administration create a place on the city's website that provided information about benefits for retirees. A discussion ensued on the different methods to get information out to former employees. Mr. Carmody agreed to look into it different options.
2. Ms. Richardson advised the Council of a new resource available to constituents called "City Gram", which is a notification system of changes where they live.

IV. Attorney/Client Privileged Meeting: *(Closed session)*

V. Adjournment: Councilman Freeman adjourned the open meeting at 2:40 p.m.