

CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL
STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING
COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM
9/25/2018 RECAP

- I. Call to Order 1:30 p.m. by Chairman Smith. A quorum was present, including Vice-Chairman Oglesby and Councilpersons Berz, Byrd, Coonrod, Gilbert, Henderson, Ledford and Mitchell. The Assigned Attorney was Mr. Noblett. Mayor's staff present included Mr. Hayes, Ms. Sullivan, Mr. Sammons, Ms. Satterfield, Ms. Lowdermilk and Ms. Albright. Other staff present included Ms. Madison, Mr. Holland, Ms. Moultrie and Ms. Morris. Council staff present was Ms. Gwyn. Media present was Ms. Walton and Mr. Wilson. There were five members of the community present, including Mr. Sanders and Mr. Gobble.

- II. Council Agenda for 9/25 at 6:00 p.m.
 - A. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session
 1. Agenda Item VI(a) – Mr. Hayes discussed the budget appropriation to the United Way and responded to Council questions on covering the fee waiver, the Senior Property Tax Freeze, payments remitted by United Way, recording mechanism and outreach to seniors who are eligible for the tax freeze program.
 2. Agenda Item VI(b) – Councilman Henderson informed the Council about language that had been added to the ordinance regarding steep slopes. He noted that the language was added with Mr. Bridger and the developer. Mr. Noblett noted that a map of slopes would be included.
 3. Presentations:
 - a. Avondale Center Update – An update will be given today by Administration
 - b. Steep Slopes Presentation – John Bridger
 - B. Committees: (None)
 - C. Department Report: (None)
 - D. 6:00 p.m. Special Presentation: (None)

- III. Council Agenda for 10/2 at 4:00 p.m.
 - A. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session
 1. Agenda Item VII(a) – Councilwoman Berz will discuss this agenda item with Mr. Hayes next week. Chairman Smith asked about the “permission to use” verbiage. Councilwoman Berz informed the Council about the City of East Ridge placing a gate under the bridge at night to help with problems stemming from a nearby homeless camp.
 2. Agenda Item VII(b) – Councilman Mitchell asked which side of the C.B. Robinson Bridge where this would apply. Mr. Hayes agreed to get that information.
 - B. Committees:
 1. Public Works and Transportation – Councilman Ledford inquired about the residential yard waste amendment. Mr. Holland gave a brief overview of the two-part amendment coming before the Council on 10/9. He will make a presentation in the PWT Committee on 10/2. The amendment includes increasing collection to accommodate small lawn and a container requirement for garbage collection in the Central Business District. Mr. Holland also responded to questions about professional cuts, tree clearing, gated communicates, annual sweeps and service call through 311.
 - a. Councilwoman Berz had a situation with a call to 311. Mr. Sammons asked her for information on the problem service request. Councilman Henderson asked that 311 give the SR number to all customers. Mr. Sammons indicated that 311 gives the SR number to callers.

- b. Councilman Byrd inquired about pickups by district or neighborhoods. Mr. Holland discussed the efficiency and savings associated with routing trucks by SR instead of district and/or neighborhood routing.
 - 2. Planning and Zoning
 - C. Departmental Report: DIT
 - D. 6:00 p.m. Special Presentation: (None)
- IV. Administrative Items for Future Consideration: Items 10/2 and beyond: Councilman Mitchell confirmed with Mr. Holland that someone could discuss ERU reductions and Walnut Street Bridge in the 10/2 committee meeting.
- V. Other Business
 - A. Marketing for 311 Services – Councilman Byrd recommended expanded marketing for 311 services. Mr. Holland informed the Council about two activities that market services to customers. Discussion ensued about increasing social media awareness of city services. Councilman Byrd recommended that the Council do more to reach citizens about city services. Councilwoman Berz reminded the Council that such considerations could take place at budget time.
 - B. National Night Out – Chairman Smith instructed Ms. Gwyn to forward the list of National Night events to the Council.
 - C. Memorial Dedication Steering Committee – (No further information)
 - D. Capital Funding Quarterly Report – (No further information)
 - E. Pending Legislative Matters:
 - 1. Outsource Staffing Contract – Councilman Gilbert requested that Ms. Moultrie discuss the temporary employment agency contract coming up for renewal. She prepared a handout for the Council on the contract. Discussion ensued about updates to the specs of the contract, length of the renewal, updating parameters of the next RFP, contracted wages, minimum wage compliance and citywide access to the contract. The Council came to a consensus to leave 7(E) on the agenda for 10/2.
 - 2. Upcoming Short-Term Vacation Rental Items –
 - 3. Short-Term Vacation Rental Review & Revenue Update -
 - 4. City Code Archaic Language – Vice-Chairman Oglesby (No further information)
 - 5. Conservation Resolution – (No further information)
 - F. Board Appointments:
 - 1. Board of Sign Appeals (District 2, 7 & 8)
 - 2. Community Development Citizens Advisory Board (District 1)
 - 3. OMA Advisory Board (Districts 3 & 9) – Councilwoman Coonrod will make an appointment to this board.
 - 4. YFD Human Services Advisory Board (District 4)
 - G. Police Investigation: Councilwoman Coonrod informed the Council that the video from the recent incident involving a 14-year-old had been placed on YouTube. In watching the video, she did not hear some of the language that had been rumored about the incident.
- VI. Attorney/Client Privilege Meeting (Not needed)
- VII. Adjournment