CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING

J.B. COLLINS CONFERENCE ROOM

03/19/19 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 and Mitchell. The assigned attorney was Mr. Noblett. Mayor's staff attending was Mr. Hayes, Ms. Sullivan, Mr. Sammons, Ms. Satterfield and Ms. Albright. Council staff present was Ms. Gwyn. Other city staff attending was Ms. Madison, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Stone, Ms. Allen and Mr. Johnson. There were two members of the Media and three community members present. Councilman Ledford was not present this meeting.
- II. Capital Fund Update: Councilwoman Berz made introductory remarks. Mr. Sammons followed with a presentation that included information on the following: Analyzing Our Capital Budget, Project Status Update, FY15- FY18 Governmental Funds, Balance of Open Projects by Department, Number of Open and Projects by Department and Project Details. He also distributed hard copy data on the capital funds for construction projects and non-construction projects.
 - A. Follow-up Action Items:
 - 1. Councilwoman Berz asked the Council to let her know: (1) If this is the format that the Council needed and (2) if there are any questions once the information has been reviewed.
 - 2. Councilman Mitchell asked for page numbers on the documents for future reports; Ms. Sullivan agreed.
 - 3. Councilwoman Berz asked that the Council to identify any projects they need further information about, then Mr. Steinmann can draw out that information for them.
 - 4. Councilwoman Berz also asked the Council to send any questions to Mr. Sammons and Mr. Steinmann, with a "cc" for the full Council.
- III. Council Agenda for 3/19
 - A. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session
 - B. Committees: Public Works and Transportation (will include WWTA presentation)
 - C. Department Report: (None)
 - D. 6:00 p.m. Special Presentation: (None)
- IV. Council Agenda for 3/26
 - A. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session
 - B. Committees: Public Safety Committee added (announced at 3/19 Council meeting)
 - C. Department Report: (None)
 - D. 6:00 p.m. Special Presentation: Councilman Henderson will present the Vietnam War Anniversary Proclamation from the Mayor. Mr. Noblett will make one change to the proclamation wording before the 3/26 presentation.
- II. Admin. Items Under Future Consideration 4/2 and beyond: Councilman Mitchell had questions about the ECD items and what appears to be a moratorium, to which Mr. Noblett explained.

III. Other Business

- A. CNE Request: CNE has requested to speak to the Council on predatory lending. Chairman Smith will write CNE to let them know if the Council will hear this topic.
- B. Flex Question: Councilman Mitchell explained the problem in finding a way to do anything without State approval, except an increase in the sales tax.

1. Recommendations:

- i. Councilman Mitchell recommended automatically requiring city stickers with car registrations. Councilwoman Berz agreed with this recommendation.
- ii. Councilman Henderson recommended a dedicated source of "sufficient" resources.
- iii. Ms. Sullivan recommended speaking to the elected official over the clerk at Hamilton County.

2. Follow-up Actions:

- i. As discussed with Administration, he will look at city sticker money to dedicate to paving. Mr. Noblett will ask Hamilton County about requiring a city sticker and possibly looking at two different color stickers to indicate city and county.
- ii. Councilman Mitchell will not submit a flex question at this time. Chairman Smith indicated that this item will be removed from future SP agendas.
- C. Memorial Dedication Steering Committee: Councilman Ledford (No further information)
- D. Pending Presentations: (None)
- E. Pending Legislative Matters:
 - 1. Police Advisory & Review Committee Councilman Gilbert reminded the Council to email their questions and concerns on his sponsored legislation to the full Council. Councilman Henderson will contact Chief Roddy to confirm his availability for a Public Safety Committee meeting on the legislation next Tuesday.
 - 2. Electric Scooters Vice-Chairman Oglesby indicated that more work would be needed on his sponsored legislation before it comes to the Council.
 - 3. STVR: Councilwoman Coonrod would like for the Land Development Office to decide on the non-occupancy matter. Chairman Smith charged Mr. Noblett with preparing an ordinance that would then go before the Planning and Zoning Committee.
 - 4. Council Rules of Operation Resolution: After speaking with Ms. Madison, Councilwoman Berz informed the Council that the language in the resolution regarding interns will need to be removed because reimbursable funds cannot be used. Mr. Noblett will draft the amendment and add to the Council agenda on 3/26.
 - i. Councilwoman Coonrod requested an amendment to the expense reimbursements so that travel costs are included. Discussion ensued about most travel costs being prepaid instead of reimbursements. Ms. Madison confirmed that the city's purchase card can be used for city-business travel. Ms. Sullivan indicated that Finance could send the travel regulations to the County. Councilwoman Berz and Ms. Madison recommended changing the expense reimbursement language of the Council Rules resolution since most travel is pre-paid.
 - ii. Chairman Smith asked Mr. Noblett to draft an Alternate Version for the Council Rules resolution that would include language that will cover travel expenses. It will be placed on the 3/26 agenda.
 - 5. Budget F/U on Meeting Expenses: Councilwoman Berz informed the Council that a special account has been requested that will hold \$5,000 in FY20 appropriations for table purchases/event sponsorships only. The account is tentatively called "Pre-Approved Special Events."
 - i. Councilman Henderson asked the Council's support of the Armed Forces Parade on May 3 and made a motion to do so. Councilwoman Berz seconded. Chairman Smith asked that the Council not to vote on Armed Forces support until Councilman Henderson has presented the cost to everyone. Councilman Henderson agreed.

- F. Board Appointments: (No further information)
 - 1. Board of Sign Appeals (District 2 & 7)
 - 2. Community Development Citizens Advisory Board (District 1)
 - 3. OMA Advisory Board (District 3)
- IV. Attorney/Client Privilege Meeting (Not needed)
- V. Adjournment