

CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL  
J.B. COLLINS CONFERENCE ROOM  
**STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING**  
**RECAP – JUNE 15, 2021**

- I. Call to Order: Chairman Henderson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. A quorum was present that included Councilpersons Berz, Coonrod, Dotley, Hester, Hill, and Ledford. Councilpersons Smith and Byrd were not present at this meeting. Phil Noblett, Deputy City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Clerk, were also present. Two members of the media were present.
  
- II. July 20th Council Meeting: Chairman Henderson informed the Council that he and the Vice-Chair would not be present at the meeting on 7/20. Therefore, he asked the Council if they would like to go through the process of electing a Chairman Pro Tempore or cancel the meeting. The Council came to the consensus to cancel the meeting on 7/20. Chairman Henderson instructed the Clerk to ensure the public notification of the meeting cancellation.
  
- III. New Council Committees: Chairman Henderson proposed the list of standing committees and his recommendations for committee chairs (*see attached*). Upon consensus, the Council accepted the Chairman’s recommendation for committees and chairs. Mr. Noblett will prepare a resolution to amend the Council’s Rules of Operation.
  
- IV. Council’s Plan of Work - Goals and Legislative Strategies: Councilwoman Berz discussed the need for developing legislative strategies. Discussion ensued with Councilpersons Coonrod, Hester, Ledford, and Hill also making comments.
  - A. Action Items
    - 1. The Council came to a consensus to identify “buckets” of work that would then be used to develop their legislative strategies.
    - 2. Chairman Henderson asked councilpersons to email their ideas to the Clerk for compilation.
  - B. First Work Session: Chairman Henderson scheduled the first Strategic Planning/legislative strategies work session for 6/29 at 10:00 a.m. He instructed the Clerk to make the publication of the meeting.
  
- V. Panhandling Ordinance/Enforcement: Councilwoman Berz approved removing this item for the Strategic Planning agenda while the Council works on its legislative strategies.
  
- VI. Park Fee Waiver: Travis Kazmierzak discussed the park fee waiver process and the OS-PACE program for smaller events. He distributed presentation handouts to the Council and discussed the Year 1 and Year 2 data. He responded to questions about the purpose of the program, measuring impact, ensuring an “equitable” process, maintaining the grounds, and ensuring equal treatment of all people at the events. Councilwoman Hill recommended that the Council establish shared definitions, such as a shared definition of the word “equity.”
  
- VII. Wastewater Facilities Tour: Councilwoman Hill had previously scheduled a tour with the Wastewater Division. She will forward her invitation to the rest of the Council.
  
- VIII. Other Business Status
  - A. Pending Legislative Matters
  - B. Pending Presentations/Education Sessions

1. Pay Plan Study Discussion . . . . . 7/27; Strategic Planning
  2. Police & Fire Step Plan: Mr. Goldberg informed the Council that there would be no changes to the plan.
- C. Future Legislation/Education Sessions
1. EPB Bond Sale . . . . . 6/16; Webex online
  2. Tour of Hamm Rd Equalization Station . . . . . 6/30 at 1:30 p.m.
  3. Noise Ordinance – re: Motorcycles and glass mufflers: Councilwoman Hill asked to put this topic on hold while the Council worked on its legislative strategies.
- IX. Administrative Items for Future Consideration: 6/29 agenda and beyond
- X. Council Agendas
- A. Council Agenda for 6/15
1. 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session
  2. Committees:
    - a. Parks and Public Works Committee – Councilman Hester will assume the role of chair for this committee today.
  3. Department Report: Update on HCS EdConnect
  4. 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting
    - a. Special Presentation - TLEA Award to CPD
    - b. Budget Amendment Hearing
    - c. RFP Protest Hearing
- B. Council Agenda for 6/22
1. 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session
  2. Committees: (None)
  3. Department Report: (None)
  4. 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting
- XI. Board Appointments (Revised)
- A. Current Vacancies
1. Board of Sign Appeals (District 4 & 7)
  2. Board of Zoning Appeals (Districts 1 & 8)
  3. Community Development Advisory (Districts 1, 3 & 8)
  4. Industrial Development Board (1 seat)
  5. Office of Multicultural Affairs (Districts 1 & 3)
  6. Youth and Family Development (District 2 & 5)
- B. Vacancies Coming Soon
1. Health, Educational & Housing Facility Board (2 seats)
- XII. Attorney Client Privilege Meeting (If needed)
- XIII. Adjournment

**City Council**  
**2021 Committees**

***Economic Development Committee***

Councilwoman Coonrod, Chair

***Public Safety Committee***

Councilman Byrd, Chair

***Parks and Public Works Committee***

Councilman Hester, Chair

***Equity and Community Development Committee***

Councilwoman Dotley, Chair

***Education and Innovation Committee***

Councilwoman Hill, Chair

***Planning and Zoning Committee***

Councilman Ledford, Chair

***Budget And Finance Committee***

Councilwoman Berz, Chair

***Legislative Committee***

Vice-Chairman Smith, Chair