

CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL
J.B. COLLINS CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE COUNCIL BUILDING
STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING
MINUTES/RECAP – November 15, 2022

- I. **Call to Order:** Chairman Darrin Ledford called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. A quorum was present that also included Vice Chair Raquetta Dotley and Councilpersons Chip Henderson, Jenny Hill, Isiah Hester, Carol Berz, and Marvene Noel. Phil Noblett, Deputy City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk, were also present. Councilpersons Demetrus Coonrod and Ken Smith were not present.
- II. **Minutes Approval:** **Vice Chair Dotley moved** to approve. Councilwoman Berz seconded. The motion carried.
- III. **STVR Ordinance Proposal:** Chris Anderson, Senior Advisor for Legislative Initiatives, distributed the draft ordinance proposed by the committee and FAQs reflecting the draft ordinance. He also gave a presentation that included information on the items completed by the committee, additional items, and new code terminology (new permits, “absentee,” “homestay”). Discussion ensued about the role of an Administrative Hearing Officer in enforcement. Mr. Noblett spoke on the function of the AHO and civil penalties. Dallas Rucker, Director of Land Development, also joined the discussion regarding enforcement. Further discussion ensued about existing “legal confirming” units, AHO costs, “Shall Issue” permit, state definition of residency, revocation process, transferring legal permits, and enforcement/fee structure. Mr. Anderson agreed to send the full list of requirements to the Council. He will also work with Mr. Noblett on the AHO component. Chairman Ledford and Councilpersons Berz, Noel, and Hester voiced opposition to citywide STVR for their districts.
- IV. Other Business
 - A. Pending Legislative Matters:
 1. City Election Cycle (Coonrod) – TBD: Legislative Committee
 2. **Removal of Political Signs:** Councilman Hester requested to remove this from future agendas since the problem had been resolved. Ryan Ewalt, Chief Operating Officer, informed the Council that remaining signs would be removed after Thanksgiving, 11/24. (This will be removed from future agendas.)
 3. AHO Legislation (Smith)
 - B. Pending Presentations/Education Sessions:
 1. Parks & Outdoors update (Martin) – 11/29 Parks & Public Works Committee
 2. Special Events and Activations (Susman) – 12/6 SP Meeting
 3. Agenda Modification Process (Adding/removing items) – January 2023 SP Meeting
 - C. Future Legislation/Education Sessions: (None)
 - D. **New Standing Committee:** Councilwoman Hill proposed the creation of an Affordable Housing Committee for the Council. She also offered to chair this committee. With consensus from the Council, Chairman Ledford established the new committee and assigned Councilwoman Hill to chair it.
- V. Council Agendas
 - A. Agenda for 11/15
 1. 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session
 2. Committee:
 - a) Parks and Public Works
 - b) Legislative
 3. 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting
 - B. Agenda for 11/22
 1. 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session

2. Committees: (None)
 3. 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting
- VI. Board Appointments
- A. Resolutions Pending Agenda Date
 - a) District 7 – 3 seats (South Region)
 - b) District 9 – 1 seat (Dodson Region) / 2 seats (Bushtown-Glenwood Region)
 - B. Current Vacancies
 1. Health, Educational & Housing Facility Board (3 seats: Districts 1, 3, and 8 needed)
 2. Industrial Development Board (1 seat: District 8 needed)
 3. Sports Authority Board (District 8 needed; District 5 eligible for reappointment)
 4. Head Start Governing Board (1 seat: Districts 1 and 3 needed)
 5. Lookout Valley Region Community Advisory Committee (4 seats: District 1 needed)
 6. Shallowford Region Community Advisory Committee (District 5 needed: 3 seats; District 9 needed: 1 seat remaining)
 7. North Chattanooga Region Community Advisory Committee (District 1 needed: 2 seats)
 8. Westside Region Community Advisory Committee (District 7 needed: 4 seats)
 9. South Region Community Advisory Committee (District 7 needed: 1 seat)
 10. Bushtown-Glenwood Region Community Advisory Committee (District 8 needed: 2 seats)
 11. Dodson Region Community Advisory Committee (District 8 needed: 2 seats; District 9: 1 seat needed)
 12. Hixson Region Community Advisory Committee (District 3 needed: 4 seats)
 13. Washington Hills Region Community Advisory Committee (District 5 needed: 4 seats)
- VII. **Adjournment:** Chairman Ledford adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.