

Strategic Planning Meeting

10/28/14 at 2:00 PM

A quorum was present, including:

1. Chip Henderson, Chairman
2. Dr. Carol Berz, Vice Chair
3. Larry Grohn
4. Jerry Mitchell
5. Ken Smith
6. Russell Gilbert
7. Moses Freeman
8. Chris Anderson

Absent members: Yusuf Hakeem

Media: Members of Media were present

Others Present: Brent Goldberg, Molly Cooper, Melinda Foster (Assist. City Atty.)

This was an open meeting. Full audio was recorded and filed with the Clerk of the Council's Office. A discussion ensued with City Attorney Wade Hinton on the following:

Update on Animal Control Ordinance

Attorney Hinton discussed concerns brought to the Animal Control Board (ACB) from hobby breeders. Attorney Foster highlighted some of the changes to the ordinance; she referenced a "red-lined" documents that had been emailed to Council. She noted the following revisions:

- Removing requirement for vaccination
- Exclusion for vaccinations with signed authorization by a vet
- Notification for micro chips (to microchip manufacturer only)
- Vets could diagnose problems in animals
- Permit for restaurants changed to reflect "...any Dog that resides.."

Councilman Freeman recommended moving the Animal Control Ordinance to the agenda for November 11th. Vice Chair Dr. Berz called a Point of Clarification: She wanted to know when do violations go to the City Court or the ACB? Attorney Hinton responded on the powers of the ACB. Attorney Foster responded on how jurisdiction would determine where violations would be heard. Discussion continued about adjusting the fine to make it stronger in enforcement. Council resolved that the ordinance would appear on the November 11th agenda and, if passed, will be effective November 30th. It was noted that Councilman Grohn and Councilman Anderson will be absent during the second reading of the ordinance.

Stormwater Regulations

Councilman Smith confirmed that there would be a public hearing on stormwater regulations. Chairman Henderson asked that the public be notified.

Moratorium on TIFs

Chairman Henderson asked Attorney Hinton to bring recommendations on how to use TIFS in the city.

Council Selection Committee

The committee will meet next Tuesday, November 4th at 11:30 a.m. Chairman Henderson discussed the number of applications received and the process leading up to interviews.

Controlled Sound

Councilman Freeman says it is ready to move forward.

Grocery Store

Councilman Gilbert noted that the Developer of five (5) new grocery stores coming to Chattanooga has made himself available to speak with Council. Council agreed that the Developer should attend the November 4th Planning and Zoning Committee meeting to address any questions they may have.

Boutique Hotels

Councilman Anderson noted that Mitch Patel, Developer for a new boutique hotel, would go before the Planning Commission this week.

Meeting ended at 2:37 p.m.