

STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING  
OF THE CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL  
CITY COUNCIL BUILDING  
4/10/18 RECAP

- I. **Call to Order:** Chairman Mitchell called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with a quorum present that included Vice-Chairman Smith and councilpersons Berz, Byrd, Coonrod, Gilbert, Henderson, Ledford and Oglesby. The assigned attorney was Mr. Noblett. Council staff in attendance was Ms. Gwyn. Mayor's staff in attendance were Ms. Richardson, Mr. Hayes, Ms. Sullivan, Mr. Sammon and Ms. Lowdermilk. Other staff in attendance was Ms. Madison. Ms. Walton, a member of the Media, was in attendance. Community members in attendance were Mr. Long and -----.
  
- II. **2018-2019 Strategic Plan of Work**
  - A. 2018-2019 Plan of Work: There were no questions or additions regarding the plan of work.
  
- III. **Old Business**
  - A. 6:00 p.m. Council Agenda for 4/10:
    1. Agenda Item VI(b) - Councilman Henderson reminded everyone that this District 9 item had been deferred until Councilwoman Coonrod was back.
    2. Agenda Item VII(b) - Chairman Mitchell discussed his sponsorship of this legislation regarding steep slopes. Councilman Ledford indicated that RPA would make a zoning recommendation to the Council. Councilman Ledford will also ask Mr. Bridger for a timeline on the study.
  - B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session (4/10): (No further information)
    1. Department Report - (None)
  - C. Committees for 4/10
  - D. Administrative Items for Future Consideration: 4/17 and beyond
    1. Chairman Mitchell informed the Council about the EPB upgrades to the electrical grid at the Avondale YFD.
    2. Ms. Richardson will schedule a meeting for Councilwoman Coonrod with Jacob's Engineering to review the Consent Decree.
  - E. Other:
    1. Pending Legislative Matters:
      - a. PILOT/TIF Standards - Councilman Ledford informed the Council of a meeting tomorrow and will add his notes to what Administration provides, and that the document will be added to the Council website and not brought forth as an official resolution yet.
      - b. Food Trucks - Mr. Noblett indicated that Mr. Hinton will update ordinance would be available to the Council next week. Mr. Noblett agreed to look into how food trucks will affect brick and mortar businesses, and whether it will have a negative effect. Mr. Reisman will be available next week for questions. Zoning will also be discussed during the presentation.
  
    2. Pending Presentations:

- a. Purchasing Educational Session - Councilman Ledford informed the Council about a FAQ being developed for the purchasing website that will help simplify the purchasing language.
3. Curfews - Councilwoman Coonrod will reschedule her meeting with Mr. Hinton and Mr. Jennings. This item will be moved under "Councilwoman Coonrod" in the status column for next week.
4. Capital Spending Oversight - Councilman Henderson indicated that councilpersons have set up meetings with Ms. Richardson.
5. City Courts Oversight Committee - Councilman Byrd is trying to see if a charter change is needed. Mr. Noblett indicated that Mr. Hinton could determine that. Mr. Noblett will look up the past amendment to the charter regarding the court to find answers to questions on the two courts and salaries. Mr. Byrd would like a discussion on the courts after he receives budget information from Ms. Sullivan. Councilwoman Berz recommends discussing during budget time. Ms. Richardson discussed the usual budget timeline for Councilman Oglesby. At the request of Vice-Chairman Smith, Ms. Richardson will check with Finance on the Council receiving the courts budget prior to budget work sessions. Councilman Byrd and Councilwoman Berz requested a cost-benefit analysis on the courts that includes revenue and staff costs. Ms. Richardson will see what can be done to get the budget notebooks to the Council by May 15.
6. Public Library - Councilpersons Coonrod, Oglesby and Byrd (No further information)
7. Professional Services Contracts - (No further information)
8. FY19 Budget - Chairman Mitchell will hold off budget talks in anticipation of the new committee chairs being chosen.
9. Board Appointments
  - a. Community Development Citizens Advisory Board (Districts 1, 2, 7 & 8)
  - b. Office of Multicultural Affairs Advisory Board (District 1 & 3)
  - c. Youth and Family Development Board (District 7)

#### **IV. New Business**

- A. 6:00 p.m. Council Agenda for 4/10: (No further information needed)
  1. Council Election - The election will take place at the top of the 6:00 agenda on 4/10. Councilwoman Coonrod had questions about the election process. Councilman Henderson intends to nominate Vice-Chairman Smith for Chairman.
- B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Item for 4/10: (No further information needed)
  1. Department Report (4/10): Public Works
- C. Committees for 4/10: Public Works and Transportation; Economic and Community Development; Planning and Zoning
- D. Other
  1. Pending Legislative Matters: (None)
  2. Pending Presentations: Chairman Mitchell would like presentations on (1) The Innovation Zone plan and (2) Hamilton County FUSE program.
  3. Walnut Street Bridge - Councilman Gilbert informed the Council of a petition to change the name of the bridge and polled the Council to see if any councilpersons currently supported a name change. At least three councilpersons indicated that they would not support a name change at this time. Ms. Sullivan will check for Councilman Gilbert to see who has the authority to rename a bridge.

- E. VRI Update: Councilman Byrd will work with Ms. Richardson to schedule an update at a Public Safety Committee meeting. Councilwoman Coonrod would like a way to help families know what resources are available.
- F. Council Support Staff Process
- G. Budget Spending - Chairman Mitchell asked the Council to consider where spending is needed before the end of FY18 and to submit their recommendations to the new chairperson. Several issues were reported by councilpersons regarding the audio, monitors, projector, pointer and live streaming of assembly room meetings. Recommendations include new Council chairs; art work in lobby; and utilizing Tech Town or college internship programs for live streaming.

**V. Attorney/Client Privilege Meeting** (*Not needed*)

**VI. Adjournment:** The open meeting was adjourned at 2:31 p.m.