# CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING J.B. COLLINS CONFERENCE ROOM 07/16/19 RECAP

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chairman Oglesby. A quorum was present, including Vice-Chairman Henderson and Councilpersons Berz, Gilbert, Ledford, Mitchell and Smith. Councilpersons Coonrod and Byrd joined the meeting after the call to order. The assigned attorney was Mr. Noblett. Council staff present was Ms. Gwyn. Mayor's staff attending was Ms. Richardson, Mr. Hayes, Ms. Sullivan, Mr. Sammons, Ms. Satterfield, Ms. Albright and Ms. Lowdermilk. Other city staff attending was Ms. Madison and Ms. Jackson. There were six community members and two members of Media also in attendance.

### II. BID Discussion:

# A. Topics

- 1. Councilwoman Berz asked Mr. Noblett a series of closed-ended questions regarding the proposed BID and asked that he also narrow his questions down to 'Yes' or 'No' wherever possible, to which he did. Her questions covered the cost to the city, services, dissolution clause, audit, sunshine law, indemnity and appeals. She recommended that once an appeal has gone through the BID Board process, then it should go to Circuit Court instead of the City Council. She also recommended amending to give equal footing by not exempting entities, but allowing the BID Board to hear cases where exemption requests are made.
- 2. Councilman Ledford recommended removing 11-531(f) regarding non-profits and 11-535 regarding PILOTs and TIFs.
- 3. Councilman Gilbert recommended hardship requests going before the BID Board, but also changing the boundaries of the BID to allow opting out. Two of the sponsors of the legislation voice opposition to changing the boundaries.
- 4. A discussion ensued about the process by which amendments would be added to the current published legislation. The Council came to a consensus that the current legislation would be heard for first reading and that an Alternate Version would be added to include amendments from the floor.

## III. Council Agenda for 7/16

- A. 1:30 p.m. BID Discussion
- B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session: Regarding Item V(c) Councilwoman Berz informed the Council that the Applicant wished to defer this item.
- C. 3:00 p.m. Committees: (None)
- D. Department Report: (None)
- E. 6:00 p.m. Special Presentation: (None)
- F. 6:00 p.m. Special Address: Councilman Ledford may ask for a moment of silence to honor the Fallen Five on the anniversary of the Chattanooga shootings.

### IV. Council Agenda for 7/23

A. 1:30 p.m. BID Discussion

- B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Session
  - 1. Item 6(b) Councilman Mitchell informed the Council that an alley abandonment is needed to be heard on this item first, so he requested to move it to the 7/30 agenda. Mr. Noblett agreed to move it.
  - 2. Item 6(c) Councilman Gilbert pointed out that he has not received anything from RPA on the Open Storage and Mini-Warehouses.
- C. 3:00 p.m. Committees:
  - 1. Youth and Family Development
  - 2. Public Works and Transportation
- D. Department Report: HR
- E. 6:00 p.m. Special Presentation: (None)

#### V. Other Business

- A. Admin. Items Under Future Consideration 7/23: Ms. Madison explained the bond resolutions covering FY18, 19 & 20.
- B. BID Public Hearing: 7/30 at 6:00 p.m. (No further information)
- C. Avondale Center Meeting: Councilman Byrd requested a meeting with Admin. and the committee to discuss the furniture procurement for the center. Ms. Sullivan agreed to coordinate this meeting.
- D. STVR Changes: Ms. Sullivan reported that Ms. Williams had heard from some, not all, councilpersons with recommendation for the STVR ordinance. The deadline was last Friday.
- E. Police Investigations: Councilwoman Coonrod (No further information)
- F. Memorial Dedication Steering Committee: Councilman Ledford (No further information)
- G. Pending Presentations/Educational Sessions: Ms. Sullivan is still working on coordinating presentations.
  - 1. 911
  - 2. Homeless
  - 3. Chamber of Commerce Tentative 8/20 in ECD Committee
  - 4. Purchasing
- H. Pending Legislative Matters:
  - 1. Oversight Board Referendum: (No further information)
- I. Board Appointments:
  - 1. Board of Sign Appeals (District 7) (No further information)
  - 2. Community Development Advisory (District 1) (No further information)
  - 3. OMA Advisory Board (Districts 1, 2, 3, 4) (No further information)
  - 4. Sports Authority Board (Districts 3, 6, 7) Councilwoman Berz asked councilpersons to refer individuals to her who would be interested in filling the District 6 seat.
  - 5. Police Advisory and Review Committee (3 & 7)
    - i. Councilman Gilbert would like for training to begin with the current seven appointees. He would prefer that anyone who does not complete Police Academy will not be allowed to vote. The next police academy will be September 12.
    - ii. Councilman Gilbert also recommended that bylaws be developed from the language in the ordinance.
    - iii. A discussion ensued about the welcome letters sent to the appointees. Councilman Mitchell questioned how communications will be sent to committee members. Councilwoman Berz requested a copy of the letter submitted to her appointee.
    - iv. Councilwoman Coonrod requested an appeal process to be added for the Police Advisory and Review Committee.

- IV. Attorney/Client Privilege Meeting (Closed session)
- V. Adjournment