

CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL
ELECTRONIC (VIRTUAL) MEETING
STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING
RECAP – 10/20/20

- I. Call to Order: Chairman Henderson called the electronic-conducted meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. A quorum of eight was present, including Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Councilpersons Anthony Byrd, Demetrus Coonrod, Russell Gilbert, Darrin Ledford, Jerry Mitchell, and Erskine Oglesby, Jr. Other panelists present via electronic means: Phil Noblett, City Attorney; Lydia Christoph, Administrative Support; and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk. Councilwoman Carol Berz was not present at this meeting.

- II. IDB Discussion: The Council discussed the process for filling one vacancy and three eligible reappointments. Mr. Noblett gave information about the state law governing IDB board membership, the Council's past process for appointment members, and the Council's options for staggering terms.
 - A. Recommendations:
 1. Councilman Mitchell recommended that the board change to nine members instead of the current minimum of seven members.
 2. Councilman Gilbert recommended group voting (Districts 4, 5, & 6) to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Lebovitz and considering appointment of the three other expiring members.
 3. Chairman Henderson recommended putting the three eligible re-appointment up for a vote at the next Strategic Planning meeting. Councilwoman Coonrod objected, citing the need to review interested applicants.
 4. Mr. Noblett informed the Council of the next IDB meeting on November 2 and that members are allowed by state law to continue serving until vacancies have been filled.
 - B. Action Items: At the next Strategic Planning meeting, Districts 4, 5, & 6 will bring forth nominees to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Lebovitz. The Council will also vote on the three eligible re-appointments at that meeting.

- III. Staff Introductions: Ms. Sullivan introduced Meara Knowles, the new Constituent Services Director. Ms. Knowles asked the Council to "cc" the Council Clerk and Mr. Freeman on requests while she's getting acclimated to the position. Ms. Sullivan also introduced Regina McDevitt, who is the new Director of the Family Justice Center.

- IV. Other Business
 - A. Pending Presentations/Education Sessions:
 1. GARE and Racial Equity Training (No further information)
 2. Buildings Cleaning Contract - Councilman Gilbert asked that this item be removed from future agendas.
 - B. Pending Legislative Matters
 1. R-T/Z Text Amendment - Councilman Ledford asked that this be removed from future agendas since the legislation is on tonight's agenda for first reading.
 - C. Future Legislation/Education (None)
 - D. Board Appointments
 1. Board of Sign Appeals (District 7)
 2. Community Development Advisory (Districts 1, 3, 7, & 8)
 3. Office of Multicultural Affairs (Districts 1, 3, 6, & 8)
 4. Industrial Development Board (discussed earlier in this meeting)

- V. Administrative Items for Future Consideration: Items 11/3 and Beyond
- VI. Council Agenda for 10/20
 - A. 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session
 - 1. Committees:
 - a. HR Committee meeting (Re: Marathon & OnSite Rx)
 - b. ECD Committee meeting (Re: CDBG Award) - Councilman Oglesby informed the Council that the TPL presentation will be rescheduled to next week.
 - 2. Department Report: (None)
 - B. 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting
- VII. Council Agenda for 10/27
 - A. 3:30 p.m. Agenda Session
 - 1. Committees: Public Works and Transportation
 - 2. Department Report: ECD
 - B. 6:00 p.m. Council Meeting
- VIII. Attorney-Client Privilege Meeting (Closed session)
- IX. Adjournment