

CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL
J.B. COLLINS ROOM - COUNCIL BUILDING
STRATEGIC PLANNING MINUTES

September 17, 2024 – 2:00 p.m.

- I. **Call to Order**: Chairman Chip Henderson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. with a quorum present that also included Vice Chair Jenny Hill, and Councilpersons Darrin Ledford, Marvene Noel, and Ken Smith. Councilpersons Carol Berz, Demetrus Coonrod, and Raquetta Dotley. Councilman Isiah Hester was not present at this meeting. Phil Noblett, City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, Council Clerk, were present at the call to order. [Video of this meeting is available on YouTube [here](#).]
- II. **Minute Approval from 8/20**: **Councilwoman Noel moved** to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Councilman Ledford seconded. The motion carried.
- III. **Update ARP Agencies**: Jermaine Freeman, Chief of Staff, made introductory remarks and presented a slide briefing about the ARPA Impact Review [view [here](#)]. As part of the briefing, he invited four agencies to address the Council on the progress and impact of their programs.
 - 1. **Kingdom Partners of Chattanooga**- Youth Mentor Program- Presented by Oliver Richmond and Jefferson Herring [View the presentation and discussion [here](#)]
 - 2. **First Baptist Cares**- Mental Health Outreach Program- Presented by Dr. William Terry Ladd III and Mariska Player-Montgomery [View the presentation and discussion [here](#)]
 - 3. **Chattanooga School Of Language**- Language Initiatives for first responders- Presented by Lori Stevens [View the presentation and discussion [here](#)]
 - 4. **Rise Partners**- Teaching initiatives- Presented by Shane Morrow [View the presentation and discussion [here](#)]

Mr. Freeman advised that he will work to schedule two more agencies to address the Council at their next scheduled Strategic Planning meeting.

- IV. Other Business Status
 - A. Pending Legislative Matters
 - 1. Urban chickens ordinance (Henderson) Legislative Committee
 - B. Pending Presentations/Education Sessions
 - 1. Proclamation - Domestic Violence Awareness Month (Berz). . .10/1 Council Meeting
- V. Council Agendas
 - A. 3:30 p.m. Agenda for 9/17
 - 1. Committees:
 - a) Parks & Public Works Committee
 - b) Public Safety Committee (re: Resolution Regarding Age of Fire Department Applicants)
 - 2. Special Presentation: “Honoring Constitution Day” by Linda Moss Mines, Local Historian
 - B. 3:30 p.m. Agenda for 9/24
 - 1. Committee: (None)
 - 2. Update on HCS EDConnect

VI. Board Appointments

A. Pending Resolutions

1. Dr. LeAnne Wiles - Head Start Governing (District 2) - 9/24 agenda

B. Current Vacancies

1. Animal Control Board (Districts 4, 5, and 7 needed)
2. Health, Education & Housing Facility Board (Districts 4 and 8 needed)
3. Industrial Development Board (District 3 eligible for reappointment; District 7 needed)
4. (Old) Sports Authority Board (Districts 2 and 5 eligible for reappointment; District 8 needed)
5. Passenger Vehicle for Hire Board (2 seats)
6. Head Start Governing Board (Districts 4 and 6 needed)
7. Lookout Valley Region CAC (3 seats: District 1 needed)
8. Shallowford Region CAC (District 5 needed: 1 seat)
9. North Chattanooga Region CAC (District 1 needed: 2 seats)
10. Westside Region CAC (District 7 needed: 4 seats)
11. Hixson Region CAC (District 3 needed: 4 seats)
12. Washington Hills Region CAC (District 5 needed: 4 seats)

VII. **Comments/Announcements**: There will be an Attorney-Client Privilege [closed session] meeting with Mr. Noblett immediately following Strategic Planning adjournment.

VIII. **Adjournment**: Upon no further business, Chairman Henderson adjourned the Strategic Planning meeting at