

CHATTANOOGA CITY COUNCIL
STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING
COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM
01/09/18 RECAP

I. **Call to Order:** Chairman Mitchell called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with a quorum present, including Vice-Chairman Smith and councilpersons Berz, Byrd, Coonrod, Gilbert, Henderson, Ledford and Oglesby. The assigned attorney was Mr. Noblett. Council staff present was Ms. Gwyn. Mayor's staff attending were Ms. Richardson, Mr. Hayes, Sullivan, Ms. Cooper and Ms. Bell. Other staff present was Ms. Madison, Chief Roddy, Ms. Williams and Mr. McKissic. Members of the media included Ms. Walton and Mr. Wilson. There were 6 community members present, including Mr. and Mrs. McCallie, Mr. Hakeem and Mr. Matthews.

II. **Old Business**

A. 6:00 p.m. Council Agenda for 1/9:

1. Agenda Item V(a) - Vice-Chairman Smith may defer this item for one (1) week.
2. Agenda Item VII(a) - Ms. Richardson gave a briefing on the Stadium Corp lease, per the request of Councilman Ledford.
3. Agenda Item VII(d) - Mr. McKissic gave an overview on this item, per the request of Councilman Ledford and the opportunity to make Chattanooga a KIVA city. A discussion ensued, with Mr. McKissic and Ms. Williams also spoke on the crowd-sourcing component and its impact on funding.

B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Item for 1/9: (No further information needed)

C. Committees for 1/9: Planning and Zoning; Public Works and Transportation

D. Administrative Items for Future Consideration: 1/9 - 1/23

E. HR Sub-Committee (re: 4th Staff Position) – Councilman Gilbert (No further information)

F. Other:

1. Pending Legislative Matters:

- a. Definition of Family – Councilman Gilbert (No further information)
- b. Panhandling Extension – Councilwoman Berz (No further information)
- c. Food Trucks – Councilpersons Coonrod & Oglesby (No further information)
- d. Homelessness (1/30) – Councilwoman Berz
- e. Stormwater Board - Councilwoman Berz
- f. PILOT Standards & Policy - Councilman Ledford (No further information)

2. Pending Presentations:

- a. Purchasing - Councilwoman Berz presented the Purchasing flow chart and asked the Council how to educate businesses about the purchasing process, including when businesses are not awarded contracts. She asked the Council to email her with what exactly they needed to know regarding the purchasing process. A discussion ensued on some of the current questions regarding purchase.
- b. Disparity Study - Councilman Gilbert invited Ms. Sullivan to make a presentation on the purpose of a disparity study and its role in ensuring that agencies are using fair and equitable procurement processes. She discussed the funding in the budget currently for the study, and the role of the Minority Business Task Force in making recommendations regarding small businesses. She emphasized disparity studies going beyond diagnosis, but being used as a tool for creative support. She indicated that Administration is working on the right RFP now. A discussion ensued about the

timeline for the RFP, identifying races groups and needs and equitable contracting.

Councilman Gilbert also spoke on the other cities utilizing disparity studies.

- a. 1/23 at 6:00 p.m. - Girls Inc. Leadership Program "Community Assessment"
3. Board Appointments
 - a. Community Development Citizens Advisory Board (Districts 1, 2, 7 & 8)
 - b. Office of Multicultural Affairs Advisory Board (District 1 & 3)
4. Library Tour/Strategic Planning (1/30 at 1:30 p.m.) - Meeting and tour of Downtown Library
5. Citico Creek Spill - Per the request of Councilman Ledford, Ms. Richardson gave an update on the spill. Ms. Sullivan indicated that further media information was forthcoming. A portion of the Riverwalk was temporarily closed for cleanup during the spill.

III. New Business

- A. 6:00 p.m. Council Agenda for 1/16: (No further information needed)
- B. 3:00 p.m. Agenda Item for 1/16: (No further information needed)
- C. Department Report: Police Department
- D. Committees for 1/16: Economic and Community Development
- E. Other:
 1. Pending Legislative Matters: (None)
 2. Pending Presentations: (None)
 3. Capital Planning Budgetary Oversight Committee (1/16) - Councilman Henderson distributed the Capital Improvement Project Status Report.
 4. Wastewater Utility Training - Ms. Gwyn informed the Council about the upcoming MTAS training recommended Public Works. Chairman Mitchell would like further information on holding the training here at the Council Office.
 5. Wildlife Rescue Organization - Ms. Gwyn distributed info to Council mailboxes about this rescue organization and their request for meetings and funding.

IV. Attorney/Client Privilege Meeting (Not needed)

V. Adjournment: The open meeting was adjourned at 2:51 p.m.