

MINUTES
WORK SESSION
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
November 16, 2020
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the work session meeting held on November 16, at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

Elected Officials Present: Mayor Randall Walker, Mayor Pro-Tempore Willie King, and Council Members Robert Jones, Joy Peterson, Darryl Albritton, Phyllis Bynum-Grace, and Riley Hunt.

Elected Officials Absent: None.

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, Assistant City Manager Robert Smith, City Attorney Brooke Newby, and Recording Clerk Joni Ary.

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Mitchell Worthington – Finance Director, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Tabitha Clark – Communications Administrator, Ashley Hardin – Economic Development Administrator, Ansley Fitzner – Public Works Superintendent, Anya Turpin – Special Events Coordinator, Chad McMurrian – Engineering Services Manager, and Darryl Kitchens – Fire Marshall.

Press: Myosha Howard – Houston Home Journal

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor Randall Walker

3a. Department of Public Works.

1. Concept Design – Carroll Street Streetscape: Ms. Fitzner presented two concept designs for Carroll Street Streetscape. Ms. Fitzner stated the next step if Council agrees with the two concepts, the concepts will be presented to the DDA, Perry Chamber, and Perry Convention and Visitors for their feedback. After their feedback, this item will then come back to Council with recommendations. Ms. Fitzner stated this project will be in phases due to the scope of the project. Council concurred to proceed with the project.

3b. Office of City Manager.

1. Special Events Presentations:

- a. Halloweeleta Update. Ms. Turpin presented to Council the update on the event the positive feedback received by the community on the event, it was a huge success.
 - b. Black History Month Banner Project update. Ms. Turpin presented to Mayor and Council the proposed banners for Black History Month. The quote for the 14 smaller banners for the downtown area and 30 larger banners for General Courtney Hodges street. The banners will be two-sided with an estimated cost of \$2,574.00, this does not include shipping charges. Council Member Phyllis Bynum-Grace along with Ms. Turpin has been working on this program that will highlight prominent African American individuals that have made an impact on the City. Council concurred to proceed with the project.
2. Consider establishing a Community Planner position. Mr. Gilmour stated the Administration's recommendation is to authorize the position with the funding to come from the insurance premium tax. This position is needed due to the growth of the City, Mr. Wood is currently doing this job and will work on the job description. Mr. Gilmour stated if Council concurred to proceed, then this item will be added to the Council's regular agenda for tomorrow night. Council concurred to proceed.
 3. Review of organization – Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority. Mr. Gilmour reviewed with Council the recommendation of the Administration for the Authority to refocus its effort to address its duties as outlined in Section 6 of its enabling legislation.

4. Council Member Items:

Council Members Jones and Albritton had no reports.

Council Member Bynum-Grace stated the dedication of Legacy Park was well attended.

Council Member Hunt stated the tennis courts on Tucker Road needed attention.

Mayor Pro-Tempore King asked if there was anything the City could do about the entrance to Zaxby's on Hampton Court. Mr. Gilmour stated the City has requested in the past from the Georgia Department of Transportation about adding another entrance into the location, and the request has been denied.

Council Member Peterson stated that during her visit to Waffel House, there was a medical emergency the emergency personnel could not get a gurney through the entrance of the business. Mr. Gilmour stated he will pass on this information to the Waffle House Corporate office.

Mr. Gilmour stated that if Council concurs to add to the Council's regular agenda for tomorrow night a Moratorium for Self Storage Facility. This moratorium would allow Planning and Zoning to review the current ordinance for self-storage facilities. Council

concurred to proceed with added the moratorium for self-storage facilities to Council's regular agenda for tomorrow night.

Mr. Smtih and Ms. Newby had no reports.

5. Department Head/Staff Items:

Ms. King, Mr. Worthington, Mr. Wood, Chief Parker, Ms. Clark, Ms. Fitzner, Ms. Hardin, and Mr. McMurrian had no reports.

Chief Lynn stated that the Georgia Department of Transportation every three years sends a list of the speed limits for various streets in Perry that should be increased or lowered and which streets that authorize speed enforcement. Chief Lynn stated that tomorrow at Council's regular agenda will have for Mayor and Council to sign the reviewed and approved list of streets.

Mayor Walker

- Pre-Council November 17, 2020, at 5:00 pm
- Council Meeting November 17, 2020, at 6:00 pm

6. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the work session held November 16, 2020, Mayor Pro-Tempore King motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:01 p.m. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.