

MINUTES
PRE COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
August 17, 2021
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the pre council meeting held August 17, 2021 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: none

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

Departmental Staffing: Brenda King - Director of Administration, Cody Gunn – Chief Building Official, Mitchell Worthington – Finance Director, Chief Lee Parker - Fire and Emergency Services Department, Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Department, Sedrick Swan – Director of Leisure Services, Ansley Fitzner – Public Works Superintendent, Tabitha Clark – Communications Administrator, and Ashley Hardin – Economic Development Administrator.

Media: Lauren Malek – Houston Home Journal

Guest(s)/Speaker(s): none

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor Randall Walker

3a. Discussion of August 16, 2021 council meeting agenda.

4a. Introduction of the Perry Police Department. Chief Lynn will introduce Officers Tyler Ward, Braden Johnson and Clarence Shayne Holmes and recognize the promotion of Lieutenant Quridsha Gilliam.

9a. & 9b. Special Exception Applications 170-2021 and 171-2021. Mr. Wood reviewed both applications, a memo containing additional information, and reported staff and the Planning Commission recommended approval of both special exception applications with the following conditions: 1) The proposed development must meet the requirements for parking, landscaping, and design guidelines as reflected in the Land Management Ordinance, and 2) the proposed development must ensure building and site is in compliance with all applicable building codes, fire codes, and stormwater regulations.

9c (1). **Second Reading** of an ordinance amendment to remove Conservation Subdivision procedures and standards. Mr. Wood stated this amendment removes provisions in the Conservation Subdivision procedures and standards. Staff and the Planning Commission recommends approval of the text amendment.

9c (2). **Second Reading** of an ordinance amending Sections 1-13, 4-1.2 and 4-2.4(h) of the Land Management Ordinance to address short-term rentals. Mr. Wood stated this amendment adds the definition of “Bed and breakfast inn”, adds a definition of “Short-term residential rental” and modifies the Table of Uses to allow short-term residential rental as a special exception in residential districts. Staff and the Planning Commission recommends approval of the text amendment.

9a (3). **Second Reading** of an ordinance amending Sections 1-13, 4-3.3 (F), 6-1.3 and 6-1.6 of the Land Management Ordinance to address the definition of parking lot and vehicular use area. Mr. Wood stated this amendment makes some modifications to the definition of “Parking Lot” and “Vehicular use area”, revises the minimum parking standards for uses relating to automobile sales, codifies the ability for automobile dealers to display up to ten (10) vehicles on grass area on their property of the dealership, prohibits the use of gravel except for overflow parking and vehicular use areas in the industrial district. Staff and the Planning Commission recommends approval of the text amendment.

11a (1). & (2). Cancel Bid No. 2021-21 for the purchase of one (1) Special Events Van and Award of Purchase to Jeff Smith CDJR for one (1) Special Events Van in the amount of \$40,5550.00. Mr. Worthington advised Council that Bid 2021-21 (Special Events Van) was originally awarded to Phi Brannen Ford of Perry in the amount of \$30,992.73 at its February 16, 2021 council meeting. Due to manufacturing delays because of Covid-19 staff is recommending canceling Bid 2021-21 awarded to Phi. Brannen Ford of Perry and purchase a similar vehicle from Jeff Smith CDJR in the amount of \$40,550.00 because it is in stock and on the lot. The difference of \$9,557.27 will be funded by the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund.

11b (1). & (2). Rejection of Bid No. 2022-06 4x4 Crew Cab Responder Pickup and Bid No. 2022-07. Mr. Worthington advised Council to reject Bid No. 2022-06 because the delivery timeframe and year model does not meet the City’s needs and award Bid No. 2022-07 to Phil Brannen Fords of Perry because it has the 2021 model on order.

11c (1). Resolution establishing a Tobacco-Free Policy. Ms. Newby presented for Council’s consideration a resolution establishing a Tobacco Free Policy.

11c (2). Resolution amending the City of Perry Fee Schedule to provide FY 2022 budget adjustments. Administration reviewed the fee schedule and recommended approval. Council Member Peterson stated that she had been in talks with people relative to sport complexes in Georgia and was told the city’s

fees were high compared to what the city has to offer. Administration will survey cities of Perry's size that have fields and see what they charge and follow up with Council. Administration also mentioned the primary purpose of Perry fields are not for competition but for the city's programs.

11d. Consider proposal for renewal of City's health and dental insurance.

Administration reviewed the proposal from the third-party administrator and recommended Council agree and accept the proposal.

4. Council Member Items:

Mayor Pro Tempore Jones followed up with Chief relative to the speeding on Northside Drive and Cedar Ridge Drive. Chief Lynn replied there are no significant speeding issues.

Council Member Peterson asked if the City could have a reduction in fees for fundraiser when it life or death medical treatment. Administration asked how do you define this, and will a precedent be set? Administration will research and follow up with Council.

Council Members Bynum-Grace, Albritton, Hunt and King had no reports.

Mr. Gilmour and Ms. Newby had no reports.

Mr. Smith

- provided to Mayor and Council a breakdown of the city's rolling stock
- reminder of Strategic Planning departmental sessions

5. Adjourn. There being no further business to come before Council in the pre council meeting held August 16, 2021 Council Member King motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:44 p.m. Council Member Albritton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.