

MINUTES
PRE-COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL
August 2, 2022
5:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called to order the pre council meeting held on August 2, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

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

Elected Official Absent: none

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

Departmental Staffing: Brenda King – Director of Administration, Mitchell Worthington – Finance Director, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Chief Alan Everidge – Perry Police Department, Fire Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Sedrick Swan - Director of Leisure Services, Ansley Fitzner – Public Works Superintendent, Chad McMurrian – Engineering Services Manager, Holly Wharton – Community Planner, Ashley Hardin – Economic Development Administrator, and Tabitha Clark – Senior Communications Manager.

Media: William Oliver – Houston Home Journal

3. Citizens with Input. None

4. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor Randall Walker

4a. Discussion of August 2, 2022 council meeting agenda.

4a. Recognition of the Perry Proud/Junior Journalism Program Summer 2022 Participants. Mr. Swan will introduce and recognize the participants.

5a. Mrs. Lossie Glover and Mr. Vincent Glover. Mayor Walker stated this item is tabled until a later date.

6a. TEXT-0011-2022. Mr. Wood stated this is a text amendment to LMO to establish a Historic Preservations Commission, establish standards and procedures for designating historic properties and historic districts, and establishing standards and procedures for granting certificates of appropriateness. Mr. Wood also added this is from the specific goals of the

strategic plan.

6b. SUSE-0094-2022. Ms. Wharton stated this property is located at Main Street and Keith Drive and is approximately 18 acres. The applicant, Bill Davis is requesting a special exception request to plant hay and harvest it at this site. Agricultural uses require a special exception in this zoning district. The Planning Commission and staff recommends approval with two conditions: 1) agricultural uses are limited to the planting and harvesting of hay and pecans from existing trees, and 2) this special exception is limited to the applicant, Bill Davis, and is not transferrable.

8a (1). **Second Reading** of an ordinance to amend the City Code relative to parking and storing of trailers and recreational vehicles. Mr. Wood stated this ordinance was modified to address utility trailers how they parked and stored in both, residential properties and central business districts, and making modifications to recreational vehicles parking and storage.

11a (1) Resolution establishing COBRA reimbursement policy. Administration stated this is a follow-up discussion from the work session meeting. This resolution is establishing the COBRA reimburse policy and it has three conditions: 1) the employee has had city health insurance for at least 36 months prior to separation, 2) the subsidy shall be provided only to an employee separating due to retirement, layoff, or inability to perform job functions, and 3) the subsidy shall be according to the fiscal year's budget allocation. Administration recommended Council approve the policy.

11a (2) Resolution establishing stormwater enforcement policy. Mr. Wood stated this is follow-up from last evening and recommended Council's approval.

11a (3). Approval of amending RedSpeed contract. Ms. Newby stated this is an amendment that would include Flock camera software system capabilities to our existing RedSpeed cameras, and amend the term of the contract, 1-year term with automatic renewals for 5 years. This will be subject to review by the city attorney.

11d (1). Resolution amending the City of Perry Fee Schedule. Administration advised Council that this resolution will do two things, 1) correct an oversight and lower the fire protection fee for moderate risk that was picked up at a higher rate and adjust it to an appropriate level and, 2) have the natural gas activation fee the same as the water activation fee.

11d (2). Resolution to accept a donation of property in the Camelot Subdivision from Villages of Camelot Homeowner's Association. Ms. Newby stated at the Villages of Camelot there is an existing public stormwater pond, and this resolution will accept the donation of the stormwater pond.

11e. Approval of provision of administrative services agreement to the Perry Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority. Administration stated the purpose of this agreement is to formalize the city providing administrative

functions for the Authority; this will bring the Authority in line with what the city provides for other authorities. The agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Authority board, but there is one adjustment from the city attorney, the agreement would have an effective operating date July 1, 2022 and the employees becoming city employees effective date would be August 23, 2022. Administration recommends approval subject to review by the city attorney.

11f. Memorandum of Agreement between State Road and Tollway Authority and the City of Perry relative to Peach Pass Toll Exemption for Emergency Services. Chief Everidge reviewed the memorandum of agreement and recommended Council's approval.

11g. Agreement between Georgia Department of Revenue and the City of Perry relative to RedSpeed. Chief Everidge reviewed the agreement and recommended Council's approval.

5. Council Member Items.

Council had no reports.

Mr. Gilmour, Ms. Newby, and Mr. Smith had no reports.

Councilmember Peterson inquired about park parking lots. Ms. Fitzner advised staff had been locking the parks parking lots at 10 pm with no issues.

Councilmember Albritton inquired about the rework of 5-points intersection. Chief Everidge stated there was a lot of concern in the beginning. People are getting use to the rework and everything is going well.

Councilmember Jones inquired about the reduction of parking in the new parking lot near Evergreen Cemetery. Mr. Smith advised there will be a reduction of 37 parking spaces.

6. Department Heads/Staff:

Ms. Worthington advised Council that the city is preparing to terminate a contractor and requested Council's permission to advertise this under an informal advertising process inside the of formal advertising process. Council concurred to allow Mr. Worthington to advertise under an informal advertisement process.

Ms. Clark requested an amendment to the resolution establishing the City of Perry Youth Advisory Council. The proposed amendment would read: 1) the "at large" member shall represent the homeschool community. If there is no interest from the homeschool community, then the appointee will be selected from the entirety of the applicant pool, and 2) Any member of the Youth Council who misses more than one (1) meeting shall lose his or her status as a member of the Youth Council. Absence due to sickness, death, or other emergencies of like nature shall be recognized as excused absences and shall not affect the member's status on the Council.

6. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the pre council meeting held on August 2, 2022 Mayor Pro Tempore King motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:38 p.m. Councilmember Jones seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.