

Centerville City Council  
Work Session Meeting  
Monday, August 14, 2023

TIME: 5:30 P.M.

PLACE: Centerville Police Department Training Room

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Brooks Compton  
Councilmembers JoAnne Rau  
Mark Engert  
Belinda Kenley  
Duke Lunsford  
John Palcher

Clerk of Council Teri Davis  
City Manager Wayne Davis  
Assistant City Manager Mariah Vogelgesang  
Finance Director Tyler Roark  
Police Chief Matt Brown  
Public Works Director Pat Turnbull  
City Engineer Jim Brinegar  
Development Director Erik Collins  
City Planner Ian Vanness  
Economic Development Administrator Joey O'Brien  
Human Resources Director Jen McCormick  
IT Director Ryan Collins  
Municipal Attorney Jonathan Freeman

Also present was IT intern Michael Wyatt.

Mayor Compton called the Work Session meeting to order at 5:40 P.M.

**Adopt-a-Troop**

Mrs. Davis discussed two different proposals available for consideration in adopting a troop. One program is through America Supporting Americans (ASA) and the other is through contacts Mr. Engert has made with the USS Wyoming Submarine.

ASA President Linda Patterson joined the meeting via telephone. Ms. Patterson discussed a program through ASA called "Operation Home Comfort" which provides linens and hygiene items for unmarried troops returning from deployments.

Council members and Ms. Patterson discussed the process and how involved ASA would be in facilitating an adoption process, the responsibilities of the adopting community regarding collection and dissemination of donation items, and the unit size and expected ongoing support from the adopting community.

*Ms. Patterson left the meeting at this time.*

Council members indicated an interest in reaching out to a community, which has adopted a unit, to receive guidance on programming. Council members will discuss again at the September 11, 2023 Work Session.

### **Americana Review**

*Mr. Keith Weiskittle joined the meeting at this time.*

Mr. Weiskittle expressed appreciation for the City's financial and in-kind support. He reviewed the event highlights, challenges, and issues. He touted a very successful fireworks show.

Council members and Mr. Weiskittle discussed feedback from participants, the Festival organization's financial status, and specifics about participation levels.

Mayor Compton thanked Mr. Weiskittle for his and the committee's efforts.

*Mr. Weiskittle left the meeting at this time.*

### **Executive Session**

At 6:39 p.m., Mr. Palcher made a motion to move into Executive Session for personnel to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, or official, to prepare for, conduct, or review negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment, and to consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance. Mr. Lunsford seconded the motion, and it passed 6-0 in a roll call vote.

*The following staff members left the meeting at this time: Public Works Director Pat Turnbull, City Engineer Jim Brinegar, IT Director Ryan Collins, IT Intern Michael Wyatt, and Assistant Finance Director Miranda Piatt.*

*At 6:49, the following staff members left the meeting: Development Director Erik Collins, Economic Development Administrator Joey O'Brien, and City Planner Ian Vanness.*

At 6:59 p.m., after no official business was conducted, Mrs. Kenley made a motion to move out of Executive Session. Mrs. Rau seconded the motion, and it passed 6-0 in a roll call vote.

*The following staff members rejoined the meeting at this time: Development Director Erik Collins, City Planner Ian Vanness, Economic Development Administrator Joey O'Brien, Public Works Director Pat Turnbull, City Engineer Jim Brinegar, IT Director Ryan Collins, IT Intern Michael Wyatt, and Assistant Finance Director Miranda Piatt.*

## **City Council Meeting Agenda Review**

City Council reviewed the items on tonight's regular meeting agenda.

### **IT Asset Audit Update**

Mr. Ryan Collins and Mr. Wyatt reviewed a recent City-wide hardware audit which inventoried device totals, device locations, and device warranty status. The IT Department will utilize the data to create a comprehensive replacement schedule.

Mr. Collins also discussed the status of security camera installation at City buildings and announced the new GIS Administrator Matt Ryan has begun his employment.

Council members discussed replacement timing expectations, the quantity of unused devices, and grant availability.

### **Uptown DORA**

Mr. O'Brien provided information about the expected DORA boundaries, timeline, and communication plan. He also noted the City has some flexibility in naming the DORA.

Council members discussed feedback received from business owners in support of the DORA, the availability of liquor licenses within the Entertainment District, seeking feedback from residents, and assuring the existing restaurants wish to participate.

Council members indicated support for moving forward with a spring kick-off expectation.

### **City Manager's Report**

- Invited Mr. Erik Collins to speak about various Development Department items. Mr. Collins discussed the demolition status of both 54 W. Franklin and the Incarnation site, a Code Enforcement round table which occurred last week garnering citizen input and developing strategies, the sale of 900 E. Franklin, and the code analysis to be conducted at the former barbershop. Mr. Vanness updated that Sheetz has submitted its Major Site Plan application, which will be heard by Planning Commission on August 29, that the RFP for the Comprehensive Plan will go out later this week, and that the short-term rental moratorium will expire in November.

### **Recess**

At 7:25 p.m., Council recessed to move into Regular Session.

*Following the Regular Meeting, City Council reconvened in Work Session at 9:14 p.m.*

### **City Manager's Report con'd**

- Reviewed a 911 issue experienced by Mayor Compton last week; a meeting with Mike Thonnereaux and Regional Dispatch Chief Deputy Matt Haines to discuss the issue is scheduled for tomorrow.
- Retirement of Washington Township Fire Chief Kujawa.
- Charter Commission make-up; there is no prohibition against Council members serving on the Commission. Council members discussed limiting Council member

appointments to two (2).

- Public Meeting Space update regarding carpet installation issues; upcoming City Council meetings will return to the Council Chambers while next steps are determined.
- A recent issue concerning parking spaces in Uptown.
- Upcoming vacation dates.

Mr. Engert mentioned concerns with the use of electric bikes on bike paths.

**Adjournment**

At 9:57 p.m., the Work Session was adjourned. The next Work Session is scheduled for Monday, September 11, 2023, at 5:30 P.M., in the J.V. Stone Council Chambers and prior to the regular meeting set for 7:30 P.M.



Teri Davis, Clerk of Council

Approved:



Brooks A. Compton, Mayor