

**MINUTES**  
**WORK SESSION MEETING**  
**OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL**  
**APRIL 18, 2016**  
**5:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. called to order the work session meeting held April 18, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll:

Elected Officials Present: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.; Mayor Pro-Tempore Randall Walker, Council Members Phyllis Bynum-Grace, Robert Jones, Riley Hunt, Willie King and William Jackson.

Elected Official Absent: None

Staff: City Manager Lee Gilmour, City Attorney David Walker and Recording Clerk Annie Warren

City Departmental Staffing: Chief Joel Gray – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Chief Steve Lynn – Police Department, Decius Aaron – Director of Public Works, Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services, Brenda King – Director of Administration and Robert Smith – Economic Development Director.

Guest(s) / Speaker(s): Steve Rodgers, Reba Cole and Bob Moore.

Media: Cheri Adams and Jake Jacobs - Houston Home Journal, Wayne Crenshaw – Macon Telegraph

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr.

3a. Presentation from Servants Task Force – Mr. Steve Rodgers. Mr. Rodgers presented to Mayor and Council an overview of the fundraiser event “Heed the Call” to honor military personnel and local disabled veterans and asked for the City’s support. Mayor Faircloth advised Mr. Rodgers that Council would take his request under consideration and follow up with Mr. Rodgers.

3b. Request from Legacy Park Homeowners Association for “No Soliciting, No Peddling” signage – Ms. Reba Cole. Ms. Cole presented for Mayor and Council’s consideration a request to install signage at the entrance of Legacy Park Homeowners Association stating “No Soliciting, No Peddling”. Mayor Faircloth advised Ms. Cole the individual homeowner’s association has the right to install “No Soliciting, No Peddling” signage. Mr. Gilmour explained to Ms. Cole that solicitors who purchase permits from the City can come into the subdivision but the City will not enforce the no soliciting, no

peddling because the streets in the neighborhood are public property. Attorney Walker will research this matter and advise Council of his findings.

- 3c. Discussion of lighting options for City Hall parking lot. Mr. Gilmour recommended waiting on the lighting options for City Hall parking lot until the City can get the best cost option. Council concurred with Administration's recommendation.
- 3d. Consider extension of city water to lot in Devonwood Subdivision. Administration's recommendation to Mayor and Council to concur with allowing the extension of the water service to this lot and not require annexation. The homeowner will pay for the extension. Council concurred to proceed with Administration's recommendation.
- 3e. Consider adjusting fee requirement and length of permit for banners. Administration's recommendation to Mayor and Council to not require payment of the fee and if an organization came in, the permit would be good for a year subject to the conditions.
- 3f. Consider contracting for design of Calhoun Park tennis courts improvements. Mr. Dye presented for Mayor and Council's consideration a contract for a design proposal for Calhoun Park tennis courts improvements. It was the consensus of Council to take no action at this time.
- 3g. Review role of Perry Arts Center Advisory Committee. Administration presented to Mayor and Council its concern about the committee and its direction. Administration recommended dissolving the Perry Arts Center Advisory Committee. Council concurred with Administration's recommendation to dissolve the Perry Arts Center Advisory Committee.
- 3h. Discussion of transportation for senior citizens – Councilmember W. King. Council Member King stated he was approached by a senior citizen relative to transportation for senior citizens. Council Member Hunt advised Mr. Frank Shelton of Perry Volunteer Outreach has a vehicle and driver to transport senior citizens. Administration recommended staff look at some options and follow-up with Council.
- 3i. Request to waive late fees – Ms. B. King. Mr. Moore appeared before Mayor and Council and requested a waiver for late fees. Mayor and Council reviewed Mr. Moore's request and concurred the fees would stand based on City policy.
- 3j. City's Continuity Of Operations Plan – Chief J. Gray. Chief Gray reported on the City's Continuity of Operations Plan including the logistics and cost. It was the consensus of Council to refer this item over to Council's April 19<sup>th</sup> agenda.

4. Council Member Items:

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

Mayor Pro Tempore Walker inquired about a special event alcohol permit or street closure request for First Friday in May.

Mr. Gilmour and Attorney Walker had no reports.

5. Department Head Items:

Chief Lynn reported there will be a Child Safety Seat Check and Stuff the Cruiser Food Drive on May 14<sup>th</sup> at the Perry Walmart. Also there was a traffic fatality at the 247Spur this afternoon.

Mr. Smith reminded everyone of the Perry Housing Team Clean-Up on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 a.m. in Creekwood Subdivision.

Mr. Aaron reminded everyone of Clean-Up Week, April 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Dye reported on the upcoming activities in Leisure Services:

- April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Movie in the Park
- April 23<sup>rd</sup>, Kids Fishing Rodeo

Chief Gray had no report.

Mayor Faircloth entertained a motion to enter into an executive session for real estate acquisition.

6. Executive Session entered at 7:03 p.m.: Council Member King moved to adjourn the work session and enter into executive session for the purpose of real estate acquisition. Council Member Jones seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
7. Executive Session adjourned; Council work session reconvened. Council adjourned the executive session held April 18, 2016 and reconvened into the council's work session.
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2016-19 stating purpose of executive session held April 18, 2016 was to discuss real estate acquisition. Mayor Pro-Tempore Walker moved to adopt a resolution stating the purpose of the Executive Session held on April 18, 2016 was to discuss real estate acquisition. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. No action was taken. (*Resolution 2016-19 has been entered in the City's official book of record*).
9. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before Council in the reconvened work session held April 18, 2016 Council Member Bynum-Grace motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.