

JOINT WORK SESSION OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL AND
PERRY PLANNING COMMISSION
Meeting Summary – November 30, 2021

1. Call to Order: Mayor Randall Walker, Presiding Officer, called the session to order at 6:00pm.
2. Roll: Mayor Walker; Council Members Albritton, Bynum-Grace, King, Hunt, Jones, and Peterson were present.

Planning Commission: Chairman Edwards; Commissioners Butler, Coody, Kemp, Jefferson, Clarington, Mehserle were present.

Staff: Lee Gilmour – City Manager, Robert Smith – Asst. City Manager, Brooke Newby – City Attorney, Bryan Wood – Community Development Director, Holly Wharton – Planner, Chief Steve Lynn – Perry Police Dept. and Christine Sewell – Recording Clerk.

Guests: Will Oliver – Houston Home Journal

3. Items of Review/Discussion: Mayor Randall Walker

3a. Factors impacting the Planning Commission.

Mr. Gilmour reviewed the following factors: Higher land values will spur development requests, Greater desire for higher density uses, More conflict with unincorporated residents opposed to change, Issues with city residents as petitions are filed to redevelop city parcels, Difficult choices, and Unwillingness to compromise.

3b. Council's vision of the Planning Commission's role.

Mr. Gilmour reviewed the expectation of Council and the Planning Commissions' role which included: Attendance at meetings, Make recommendations based on overall city interests, Be consistent with decisions, Be aware of city's strategic plan, Account for city's capital improvement plans and proceed accordingly, Be familiar with petition and its location, and After presentation and discussions make decision.

3c. Council's strategic plan for the city.

Mayor Walker advised the City has a robust strategic plan and the vision for the next five/ten years is outlined.

After presentation of the above discussions began on the topics addressed by members of Council, the Planning Commission and staff.

4. Adjourn: there being no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.