

**MINUTES  
WORK SESSION  
OF THE PERRY CITY COUNCIL  
March 18, 2019  
5:00 P.M.**

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr., Presiding Officer, called to order the work session meeting held March 18, 2019 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, William Jackson and Willie King.

**Elected Official Absent:** None

**Staff:** City Manager Lee Gilmour, Assistant City Manager Robert Smith, Assistant City Attorneys Josh Waters and Brooke Newby, and Recording Clerk Anji Holley

**City Departmental Staffing:** Chief Steve Lynn – Police Department, Chief Lee Parker – Fire and Emergency Services Department, Brenda King – Director of Administration, Ashley Hardin – Department of Economic Development Director, Bryan Wood – Director of Community Development, Ellen Palmer – Digital Communications Manager, Kevin Dye – Director of Leisure Services, Chad McMurrian – Lead Engineering Technician, Ansley Fitzner – Landscape Manager, and Mitchell Worthington – Assistant Finance Director

**Guest(s)/Speaker(s):** Marissa Jackson – MGRC, Sherry Kurtz – Grants Specialists of GA, Inc., Scott Haller, Charlie Griffis, Clay Bryan - Parrish Construction

**Press:** Jada Dukes – Houston Home Journal

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

3a. **Community Development Department**

1. **Discussion of Urban Redevelopment Plan and Revitalization Area Strategy Updates, CDBG application, and engineering consultant:**

Mr. Wood reviewed with Mayor and Council:

- Approval of Resolution adopting updates to the Urban Redevelopment Plan
- Approval of Resolution to submit an application to DCA for 2019 CDBG
- Approval of GA Environmental Services regarding to CDBG

2. Barbara Calhoun Tennis Courts bid review:

Mr. Haller reviewed the additions to Barbara Calhoun Park project, proposed costs, and projected scope. It was the consensus of Council to move forward with the project and this item was placed on Council's March 19 agenda.

3b. Office of the City Manager

1. New city park public hearing responses part 1: Administration recommended proposals to Mayor and Council relative to the new city park.

- Do not name the park after an individual(s)
- Certain uses to be excluded – indoor and outdoor pools, amphitheater, fishing ponds, skate park, beach volleyball, alternate access from Perry Parkway
- Install six (6) foot chain link fence around the park boundaries except at Country Club Drive
- Install parking lot (this will not add more storm water flow to existing areas), fill in bunkers, and design walking path

It was the consensus of Council to move forward with Administration's recommended proposal.

2. Travel expenses amendment: Administration recommends Council amends the travel expenses policy. Upgrades to rooms, etcetera, will be the responsibility of City employee. This item was referred to March 19 Council meeting agenda.

4. Council Member Items:

Council members Bynum-Grace, King, Jones, & Jackson had no reports.

Randall Walker reminded everyone that the Walk with the Mayor and Council at Perry – Houston County Airport will be on March 26 at 5:30pm.

Mr. Gilmour and Assistant City Attorneys Newby and Waters had no reports.

Mr. Smith – Public Works participated in Transportation Day at Lake Joy Elementary. Mr. Smith announced that the Spring Cleanup Event will be held April 8-12, 2019.

5. Department Head/Staff Items:

Ms. Hardin gave an update on the Mustache & BBQ Bash and gave a reminder about

the Food Truck Rally/First Food Truck Friday on April 5 from 6pm-9pm.

Mr. Wood reported that Danny Hicks from Code Enforcement is working on a Spring Streets Cleanup Event to be held on April 27, 2019. Mr. Wood suggested looking at streets that the City needs to work on. The Housing team will select the streets to work on once the streets have been selected.

Mr. Dye gave a reminder about the spring registration for basketball.

Ms. Palmer reported that the Your Perry App has been successful. A local business owner used the app to report an issue and repairs were made within two (2) days.

Chief Parker reported that Montezuma has requested the 1992 Pumper from the City's surplus.

Ms. King and Chief Lynn had no reports.

Mayor Faircloth entertained a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of litigation and personnel.

6. Executive Session entered at 5:29 p.m.: Council Member King moved to adjourn the regular meeting and enter into executive session for the purpose of litigation and personnel. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
7. Executive Session adjourned 6:28 p.m.; Council's work session meeting reconvened. Council adjourned the executive session held March 18, 2019 and reconvened into the council work session meeting.
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2019-13 stating purpose of executive session held March 18, 2019 was to discuss litigation and personnel. Mayor Pro-Tempore Walker moved to adopt a resolution stating the purpose of the Executive Session held on March 18, 2019 was to discuss litigation and personnel. Council Member Hunt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. No action was taken. *(Resolution 2019-13 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 March 18, 2019 Council Member Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Council Member Bynum-Grace seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.