

**MINUTES OF  
CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2018, 3:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL, PIGEON FORGE, TENNESSEE**

Present were Mayor Wear, Vice Mayor McClure, Commissioner Maples, Commissioner Ogle, Commissioner Watts, City Manager Teaster, City Recorder Clabo, and interested parties.

Items discussed were as follows.

1. **Review and discussion of Smoky Mountain Spring Trout Tournament** – Greg Ward was in attendance to discuss the possibility of participation by the City for the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Smoky Mountain Spring Trout Tournament by stocking fish in Pigeon Forge. It was noted that the City had funds budgeted to stock fish prior to Wilderness Wildlife Week for the free children's trout tournament which is a city sponsored event.

Following discussion, no direction was given.

2. **Review and discussion of parking options for the LeConte Center** – Kelly Headden with Barber McMurry and Jason Brady and Shap Stiles with Gresham Smith and Partners were in attendance to discuss options. Mr. Brady discussed the history of the project to date. Mr. Headden and Mr. Stiles discussed a possible pedestrian bridge and different layouts of the proposed parking lot. It was noted that cost estimates on parking garage option was approximately \$37 million and a surface parking option was estimated at \$23.625 million. Approximately 1,600 parking spaces could be added under the surface parking option.

Following discussion, council generally agreed to have staff work toward surface parking plan.

3. **Review and discussion of Dollywood Lane, South River Road and the Parkway traffic circulation plan** – Jeff Mize with CDM Smith was in attendance to discuss a proposed traffic circulation plan. The process would ultimately include an additional left turn lane on Dollywood Lane, changing a few lanes to right turn only, and extending turning lane on parkway.

Following discussion, council generally agreed to move forward with project.

4. **Review and discussion of emergency alert system** – Fire Chief Watson and Craig Taylor were in attendance to discuss. Fire Chief Watson discussed what was being done in Gatlinburg and Sevier County. It is estimated that an emergency alert system in Pigeon Forge is approximately \$503,000.

Following discussion, council generally agreed to have staff work towards a city/county joint meeting to discuss further.

5. **Review and discussion of term/term limits ordinances for the Beer Board and Education Funding Board** – City Attorney Wyrick was in attendance to discuss the proposed ordinances. It was noted that the ordinances would set term limits and clarify amount of time an individual would be asked to serve.

Following discussion, council generally agreed to put on upcoming agenda.

6. **Review and discussion of to convert a tri-vision billboard to a digital billboard located at Starbucks** – City Attorney Wyrick was in attendance to discuss the proposed mutual release and settlement agreement. Mrs. Wyrick noted that this was consistent with previous billboard agreements.

Following discussion, council generally agreed to put on upcoming agenda.

After general discussion, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY RECORDER