

On Monday, March 7, 2022 at 5:00 p.m., the City of Wauchula Commission met for its regular scheduled workshop.

**Nadaskay called the workshop to order.**

Commissioners present were Mayor Pro-Tem Neda Cobb, Russell Smith, Mayor Keith Nadaskay, Commissioner Sherri Albritton and Gary Smith.

Also present were City Manager Terry Atchley, Deputy City Manager Olivia Minshew, Assistant City Manager/Police Chief John Eason, Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Sandee Braxton, Community Development Director Kyle Long, Communication Director Cheyenne Pohl, Director of Project Management and Procurement Ward Grimes, City Attorney Kristie Hatcher-Bolin and City Clerk Holly Smith. Community Redevelopment Director Jessica Newman attended virtually.

**Strategic Plan Review**

Atchley addressed the Commission and gave a brief overview of the strategic plan process.

Pohl addressed the Commission and reviewed the proposed strategic plan. Pohl discussed the key result areas which were employee engagement, communications, customer service, economic development and infrastructure. Pohl explained and gave examples of what goals were and how many there were. Pohl discussed the document would be reviewed/revised quarterly. Suggestions were made to revisit the document quarterly. The commissioners gave good feedback and commended staff on the strategic plan document.

**Electric Substation Building Discussion**

Pohl addressed the Commission and explained she had visited local civic clubs along with the Chamber of Commerce luncheon for feedback on what to do with the electric substation building. Pohl presented the feedback/suggestions she had received. Pohl explained the idea of constructing concrete walls facing different directions with murals on them. Nadaskay stated he did not like the idea of tearing the building down, however that may be the best thing to do. Atchley stated staff could get a perceptual drawing of what the walls would look like. Nadaskay requested that we try and save/preserve the old jail. Atchley stated saving the old jail had been a question when talking with the civic clubs. Atchley noted staff would work on different concepts and renderings for possible options if demolition was the route the commission was leaning towards.

**Special Event Application**

Newman addressed the Commission and explained the special event application was for a Hometown Happy Hour Event scheduled for May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Cobb gave updates on RLC and CFRPC.

**With no further business to discuss, Nadaskay closed the Commission Workshop and Opened the CRA Workshop**

**IDA Housing Partnership**

Newman addressed the Board and explained IDA Housing Partnership Agreement. Newman noted the IDA staff and IDA attorney along with city staff and city attorney had worked together and this is the proposed agreement. Newman stated it was on the IDA's agenda for approval and would be before you at next week's meeting for your approval. Albritton asked if extra exterior aesthetics could be added to

the houses. Atchley stated the price of each house was between \$140,000 and \$150,000 per house and it would depend on pricing. Long explained the rezoning of the three parcels on north 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Atchley stated the agreement did mention four houses and the city currently had three lots and was working on accruing the fourth lot.

Discussion was had on parks.

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**With no further business to discuss, Nadaskay adjourned the Workshop at 5:52 p.m.**

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Mayor Richard K. Nadaskay, Jr.

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City Clerk Holly Smith