

**CITY OF CARROLLTON  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY HALL**

**APRIL 19, 2016  
9:00 A.M.**

**PRESENT**

**MAYOR: ROBB ADAMS**

**COUNCIL: KEVIN CRAIG  
JEFF DICKOW  
MIKE GORDON  
DWIGHT LOUDEN**

**ATTORNEY FOR CITY: AMY EVERSOLE**

**ASSISTANT CITY CLERK: BETH TOOMBS**

**ASST. POLICE CHIEF: TIM MITCHELL**

**PRESS: NEWS DEMOCRAT/KRISTIN SHERRARD BECK**

**ABSENT: COUNCILWOMAN HAYLEY FRANKLIN  
COUNCILMAN DOUG HILL**

**CALL TO ORDER**

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT THE HOUR OF 9:03 A.M. BY MAYOR ADAMS.

**DISCUSSION OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

MAYOR ADAMS OPENED THE DISCUSSION SAYING THAT THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IS AT ITS FIVE YEAR TIME LIMIT. THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION CHOSE TO REVISE IT INSTEAD OF WRITING A NEW ONE. HE SAID COUNCIL NEEDS TO WORK ON ITS RECOMMENDATIONS AND SEND TO PLANNING & ZONING.

COUNCILMAN LOUDEN SAID THERE IS AN ANALYSIS & RECOMMENDATIONS AT THE END OF EACH CHAPTER IN THE COMP PLAN.

**POPULATION**

THE FIRST CHAPTER TO DISCUSSS WAS POPULATION. THE CITY COULD SEE POPULATION INCREASED THROUGH ANNEXATION. THERE IS ALSO A DECLINE IN

YOUNGER MARRIED COUPLES WITH CHILDREN. THE CITY NEEDS TO FIND WAYS TO ATTRACT THEM TO OUR COMMUNITY. MAYOR ADAMS AND COUNCILMAN GORDON WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE CITY FUND A SPLASH/SPRAY PARK IN FISCAL YEAR 17-18.

COUNCILMAN GORDON WOULD LIKE ACCOMPLISHMENTS LISTED IN THE NEXT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. THERE WERE MANY THINGS LISTED AS RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE 2011 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN THAT THE CITY HAS DONE.

## **HOUSING**

COUNCILMAN LOUDEN SAID HIS NUMBER ONE CONCERN IS THE DETERIORATING HOUSING STOCK IN CARROLLTON. ACTION ALSO NEEDS TO BE TAKEN TO INCREASE OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS. THERE IS ALSO THE NEED FOR ONE STORY HOMES WITHOUT BASEMENTS FOR THE AGING POPULATION.

MAYOR ADAMS SAID THAT BISHOP TRACE AND PROPERTY ALONG GILLOCK AVENUE ARE TWO PLACES FOR NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS. JOHN WELCH SAID THERE IS ALSO PROPERTY ALONG HWY 42 AND BURLEY ESTATES. ONCE AGAIN, ANNEXATION COULD PROVIDE MORE POSSIBILITIES.

## **ECONOMY**

COUNCILMAN LOUDEN SAID THE CITY WORKS WELL WITH THE CARROLL COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. MR. WELCH SAID THERE AREN'T ANY SITES AVAILABLE FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT. COUNCILMAN CRAIG STATED THAT THE OLD KENTUCKY LADDER BUILDING WOULD BE A GOOD LOCATION FOR LIGHT INDUSTRIAL.

COUNCILMAN LOUDEN SAID SURVEYS HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED ABOUT THE PEOPLE'S NEEDS IN THE COMMUNITY. MAYOR ADAMS SAID IT TIES IN WITH ANNEXATION. THERE ISN'T ENOUGH AREA IN THE CITY LIMITS FOR DEVELOPMENT.

COUNCILMAN CRAIG SAID RESTAURANTS WOULD BENEFIT FROM BEING IN THE CITY LIMITS BECAUSE WE ALLOW SUNDAY SALES OF ALCOHOL. THIS IS SOMETHING NOT ALLOWED IN THE COUNTY.

THERE WAS ALSO A BRIEF DISCUSSION ON YARD SALES AND WHETHER OR NOT PERMITS SHOULD BE ISSUED.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

THERE WILL ALWAYS BE THE TRAFFIC CONGESTION ON US 42. THE GEOGRAPHICAL MAKEUP LIMITS WHAT CAN BE DONE TO ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM. THE EXTENSION OF SCHUERMAN AVENUE HAS HELPED SOME.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY HAS IMPROVED ALONG THE SCHOOL ROUTES, DUE TO INSTALLATION OF SIDEWALKS.

COUNCILMAN LOUDEN SAID HE WOULD STILL LIKE TO SEE SIDEWALKS FROM 7TH ST TO 11TH ST ON WINSLOW STREET TO COMPLETE THE PARK TO PARK TRAILS. HE SAID

IT'S ALSO BEEN TALKED ABOUT FOR YEARS TO HAVE SIDEWALKS ON 11TH ST TO THE HOSPITAL.

MAYORS ADAMS WOULD LIKE TO SEE ALL THE GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS ON CLAY STREET LINKED WITH SIDEWALKS.

### **COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

COUNCILMAN LOUDEN SUGGESTED THAT WE NEED TO LOOK TOWARDS A TWENTY YEAR VISION. THE SCHOOLS ARE PREPARED FOR FORECASTED GROWTH. CARROLLTON UTILITIES IS PREPARED FOR ANY NEW DEVELOPMENTS. THERE COULD BE IMPROVED PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT WELTY PARK. MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO BE THE ONES TO BUILD A COMMUNITY CENTER.

### **ENVIRONMENT**

JOHN WELCH SAID BROWNFIELDS ARE BEING LOOKED AT. THERE ARE GRANTS AVAILABLE TO HELP WITH CLEANUP AND REDEVELOPMENT.

COUNCILMAN LOUDEN SAID RIVERFRONTS NEED TO BE RESERVED FOR PASSIVE RECREATION SPACE.

THERE ARE A LIMITED AMOUNT OF SEPTIC SYSTEMS IN THE CITY.

THE CITY HAS AN EFFECTIVE CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM THROUGH RUMPKE.

### **LAND USE**

COUNCILMAN LOUDEN SAID JOHN WELCH IS WORKING ON NEW ORDINANCES FOR HOUSING CODES.

MAYOR ADAMS SUGGESTED TO TAKE OUT "NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL" IN THE HIGHLAND PARK AREA IN SECTION 2C.

COUNCILMAN LOUDEN SAID REZONING HAD BEEN DONE ON SYCAMORE STREET FROM 3RD ST TO 5TH ST. COUNCILMAN GORDON SAID FROM 3RD ST TO 7TH ST ON POLK STREET HAD BEEN CHANGED FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO RESIDENTIAL.

COUNCILMAN LOUDEN HAD HEARD THE SUGGESTION TO CHANGE EVERYTHING BETWEEN MAIN STREET AND HIGHLAND AVE, FROM 3RD STREET AND WESTWARD BACK TO RESIDENTIAL. COUNCILMAN CRAIG THINKS IT NEEDS TO STAY COMMERCIAL.

MAYOR ADAMS SAID THAT 2ND AND HIGHLAND AVENUE IS AN AREA THAT DISPLAYS SYMPTOMS OF BECOMING STAGNATED AND/OR UNDER UTILIZED. MR. WELCH SAID THAT AREA COULD STAY C-1, BUT COULD ALLOW A CAR LOT AND A SERVICE STATION WITH A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. AMY EVERSOLE, SAID THE ORDINANCE WOULD NEED TO BE CHANGED, ALONG WITH THE DEFINITION OF C-1 AND THE PERMITTED USES. WE WOULD ALSO NEED TO CHANGE THE PURPOSE OF CENTRAL

BUSINESS DISTRICT. ALL OF THIS WOULD NEED TO BE IN THE COMP PLAN TO CHANGE THE ORDINANCES. COUNCILMAN GORDON SUGGESTED TO SIMPLIFY THE DOWNTOWN LAND USAGE.

MS. EVERSOLE SAID THERE ARE ONLY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE COMP PLAN THAT COUNCIL HAS CONTROL OVER. IF COUNCIL DOESN'T APPROVE THE COMP PLAN PRESENTED BY THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION, IT WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE APPROVED PER STATE STATUTE.

MAYOR ADAMS WANTS THE WEST END OF DOWNTOWN DEVELOPED. HE RECOMMENDED COUNCIL TO ATTEND THE NEXT P & Z MEETING ON MAY 2 WHEN THEY DISCUSS LAND USAGE FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND DULY CARRIED TO STAND IN ADJOURNMENT AT THE HOUR OF 10:41 A.M.**

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**ATTEST:**

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**ROBB W. ADAMS, MAYOR**

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**BETH A. TOOMBS, ASSISTANT CITY CLERK**