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## WEST CARROLLTON CITY COUNCIL PLANNING SESSION

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10149

#### Held September 8,

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Mayor Sanner opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. with City Council members Mr. Bowers, Mr. Barnhart, Mrs. Tomlin, Mr. Merris, and Mr. Folker present, along with City Manager Brad Townsend, Law Director Lori Denlinger, and consultant Don Vermillion.

EXCUSED: Council member Angie Fryman

The following were areas of consensus reached among members of City Council at the September 8 Planning Session:

- Members of Council would like to see the 2023 Vision amended to include language: "The City of West Carrollton is prepared to quickly seize economic opportunities." "There is an ongoing focus to assure the future financial stability of the City of West Carrollton."
- The members of Council prefer that the staff stays away from large festivals and instead focuses on smaller events.
- City Manager Townsend reviewed the "design-build in reverse" model for demolishing the Roberds site; the consensus was to proceed in this manner with the target of spring 2018.
- Concerning the events center concept, members of Council would like staff to begin working on a Plan B and a Plan C so that West Carrollton is ready to move forward with the project. The idea of Plan B is a destination location such as a regional draw driven by a private sector facility that could attract additional development around it and attract people from the region to West Carrollton. The idea of Plan C is to attract a business such as a technology firm that pays high wages and would continue West Carrollton's attraction of firms like NuVasive.
- Concerning the impact of State of Ohio policies that negatively impact local
  government budgets, members of Council want the City to keep reminding the
  public with facts of the dollar impact of these State of Ohio decisions that
  balance the State budget at the expense of cities like West Carrollton.
- Members of Council would like the staff to explore the concept of the Appvion property serving as a shovel ready site for future development opportunities.

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- Discussion about the lack of national business headquarters in West Carrollton and the region led to consensus that any private investment in West Carrollton initiatives would likely need to come from private individuals like lawyers and CEOs, not companies.
- Concerning medical marijuana, the consensus was to consider a complete ban in West Carrollton. Law Director to draw up an ordinance for consideration at a future council meeting.
- On the topic of red light cameras, the consensus of the members of Council was to wait and see what the State Legislature plans to do before reinstituting the program.
- The members of City Council plan to develop a good working relationship with the new West Carrollton Schools Superintendent as a way of trying to assist the school system in improvement efforts.
- City Manager Townsend stated that the staff intends to develop a schedule for street repairs and share that with other entities such as DP&L to assure that newly paved streets are not cut open for utility work after just being paved.
- The joint bid for recycling came back higher than the present cost; the staff will be exploring the use of toters rather than the smaller recycling bins.
- In conjunction with the library renovation, City Manager Townsend suggested that the Council consider a small project to be able to shut down the lobby, some renovations in the Council Chambers including new chairs, carpet, and security improvements on the administrative side. A future work session will be scheduled to discuss the proposed renovations at a later date.

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There being no further business, Mayor Sanner motioned, seconded by Mr. Barnhart to adjourn the retreat. The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Clerk of Council

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