

Birmingham City Commission - Workshop Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 14, 2022
Baldwin Public Library – 300 W. Merrill – Rotary Room
6:00 P.M.
Vimeo Link: <https://vimeo.com/749008572>

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Therese Longe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Alexandria Bingham, City Clerk, called the roll.

Present: Mayor Longe
Commissioner Baller
Commissioner Haig
Commissioner Host
Commissioner McLain
Commissioner Schafer (arrived 6:08 p.m.)

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Boutros

Staff: City Manager Markus; City Clerk Bingham, IT Manager Brunk, Police Chief Clemence, Assistant City Manager Ecker, Assistant to the City Manager Fairbairn, Finance Director Gerber, Building Official Johnson, City Attorney Kucharek, Fire Chief Wells, Department of Public Services Director Wood, Assistant City Engineer Zielinski

Strategic Planning Facilitator:
Lew Bender

III. PRESENTATION & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Mayor welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

Dr. Bender introduced himself and explained the strategic planning process. He began by asking some of the public attendees how long they had lived in the City, the biggest changes they had seen, the impacts of the changes, and the biggest challenges facing the City.

He then broke the Commissioners, Staff, and public attendees into five different groups to discuss the City's challenges and recommended focus areas.

Dr. Bender asked the Mayor, the City Manager, and the Assistant City Manager to move between the groups and listen in.

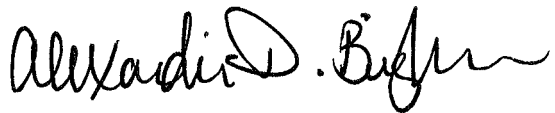
When the larger group reconvened, Commissioners and public attendees presented their groups' responses to the discussion prompts.

Dr. Bender explained he would write a report with the groups' responses to the discussion prompts, with included notation of topics that were repeated across lists.

The Commissioners, the City Manager, and the Mayor then offered concluding remarks.

IV. ADJOURN

Seeing no further comment, Mayor Longe adjourned the meeting at 7:39 p.m.



Alexandria Bingham
City Clerk



Laura Eichenhorn
City Transcriptionist