

Minutes
York County Council Strategic Planning Worksession
June 21, 2024
6 South Congress Street, York, SC
8:00am

The York County Council met on the above date for a York County Council Worksession at 8:00am located at 6 South Congress Street, York, South Carolina. The following Council members were present: Council member Tommy Adkins, Council member Tom Audette, Council member Allison Love, Chairwoman Christi Cox, Council member William “Bump” Roddey, Council member Watts Huckabee, and Council member Debi Cloninger. Also present were County Manager, Josh Edwards, Assistant County Manager, Kevin Madden, County Attorney, Michael Kendree, and Clerk to Council, Karen Brogdon.

Chairwoman Christi Cox called the meeting to order.

County Manager, Josh Edwards reviewed the process of the SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats/Challenges) Analysis. Mr. Edwards explained that the goals for FY 25/26 are the following:

- Develop an organizational strategic plan (early FY 25)
- Every Department completes a three year strategic plan (FY 25)
- Every Department has performance measures that assess how well meeting goals (FY 25)
- Every Department has both their strategic plan and measures loaded in a reporting tool.

Mr. Edwards also explained the strategic plan benefits:

- Roadmap for translating long-term vision into present and future organizational efforts
- Data driven decision making
- Connects resources with long term vision to accomplish priorities
- Set strategies that are demanding, yet attainable
- Helps engage employees and residents with the long-term vision and implementation of changes.

Council members broke into individual groups and discussed/developed their vision, goals, strategies, and initiatives.

Council established the following 6 goals:

- Internal/External Communications
- Parks
- Infrastructure
- Planning and Development
- Public Safety
- Economic Development

Next Steps: Management will work with Department Heads to develop a strategy going forward to accomplish the goals of Council. Mr. Edwards will report to Council at the August Council Workshop with the initiatives and strategies developed by staff.

Executive Session: Receipt of Legal Advice: Litigation/Legal Update

Motion was made by Council member Tom Audette and seconded by Council member Watts Huckabee to go into Executive Session for Receipt of Legal Advice: Litigation/Legal Update. Motion Carried.

Matters for Consideration Following Executive Session

Motion was made by Council member Tom Audette and seconded by Council member Allison Love to approve litigation settlement agreement as discussed in Executive Session. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Council member Tom Audette and seconded by Council member Watts Huckabee to adjourn the meeting.