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LEAGUE CITY — In a matter of a hours Saturday, League City’s city council was able to come away with a shortlist of objectives for the next six months that includes debt reduction, economic development and city beautification.

Council members met for a workshop with the objective of laying out a shortlist of priorities for city staff.

The purpose of the meeting, Mayor Tim Paulissen said, was to come away with “attainable stuff that can be done and implemented in some form or fashion in the next six months.”

The final list the council presented to city staff included three main topics:

- Reducing debt and improving the balance between property and sales tax revenue. Reviewing the city’s existing operations and possibly creating a city auditor position were also included in this topic.
- [Promoting economic development, with particular attention to infrastructure projects in the area of the Pinnacle Alliance Fund development near Big League Dreams Sports Park, reviewing the city’s comprehensive plan and ordinances and coming up with a regular report on the city’s infrastructure projects.](#)
- Beautifying the city, starting with Main Street improvements, such as sidewalks, and improving the city entryways.

The meeting was designed to give city staff a list of what the council wanted to accomplish, Councilman Andy Mann said.

“This is the what,” Mann said of the list. “You all (city staff) are going to have to tell us how.”

City Manager Mike Loftin said he was excited by the council’s list of priorities. Some of it will take some time to achieve, he cautioned. And some work will need to be done to find sources of funding for projects, he said.

“At the same time that we are going to eliminate or limit severely future bond sales, there is still an expectation that we’ll invest in our capital infrastructure,” Loftin said.

But while it might take some time, it’s good to have a list of priorities, he said.

“This is exciting,” Loftin said. “We all love a challenge.”