

CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2024

Present:

Mayor Mattie Parker
Mayor Pro tem Gyna M. Bivens, District 5
Council Member Carlos Flores, District 2
Council Member Michael D. Crain, District 3
Council Member Charlie Lauersdorf, District 4
Council Member Macy Hill, District 7
Council Member Chris Nettles, District 8
Council Member Elizabeth Beck, District 9
Council Member Alan Blaylock, District 10
Council Member Jeanette Martinez, District 11

Absent:

Council Member Jared Williams, District 6

Staff Present:

David Cooke, City Manager
Leann Guzman, City Attorney
Jannette S. Goodall, City Secretary

With a quorum of the City Council Members present, Mayor Parker called the City Council Work Session of the Fort Worth City Council to order 1:07 p.m. on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, in the City Council Conference Room 2020 of the Fort Worth City Hall, 200 Texas Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

1. Report of the City Manager - David Cooke, City Manager

a. Upcoming and Recent Events

There were no Upcoming and Recent Events.

b. Organizational Updates and Employee Recognition(s)

David Cooke called on Jesica McEachern, Assistant City Manager to recognize the following Human Resources employees for their contribution in hosting and coordinating the 3rd Annual Citywide Job Fair held on April 6th:

Victor Escobedo, Human Resources Manager
Vanessa Hottman, Human Resources Coordinator
Vidal Cox, Sr Human Resources Analyst
Garrison Ellington, Sr Human Resources Analyst
Sean Lynch, Sr Human Resources Analyst
Yvette Zimmerman, Sr Human Resources Analyst
Denise Granados, Administrative Assistant
Daniela Correa Ruiz, HR Business Partner

c. Informal Reports

[24-1829](#) ARPA Funded Streetlight Capital Project Update - Martin Phillips, Transportation and Public Works Assistant Director

Council Member Flores requested information on the cost and performance data of solar panel lights.

[24-1830](#) Five-Year Update to Water Conservation Plan and Drought Contingency/Emergency Water Management Plan - Chris Harder, Water Director

[24-1831](#) Process to Investigate Seeping Water - Jennifer Dyke, Transportation and Public Works Assistant Director, Chris Harder, Water Director and Shannon Elder, Code Compliance Assistant Director

[24-1832](#) Proposed Amendments to Industrial Pretreatment Ordinance - Chris Harder, Water Director

[24-1833](#) Management Diversity Review - Dianna Giordano, Human Resources Director

[24-1834](#) Monthly Development Activity Report - D.J. Harrell, Development Services Director

[24-1835](#) Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program Overview - Chelsea St. Louis, Transportation and Public Works Senior Capital Projects Officer

Council Member Flores requested a summary of how residents can make requests for traffic calming measures.

Council Member Crain recommended letting Council Members know in advance of installation of traffic calming devices to help inform residents.

[24-1836](#) Registration for Community Organizations 2018 - 2024 - Michelle Gutt, Communications and Public Engagement Community Services Manager

Mayor Pro Tem Bivens requested an overview of the Informal Report.

Mayor Pro Tem Bivens recommended a definition of the relationship between the City and Neighborhood Alliances.

[24-1837](#) Update on Supplemental Efforts to Control Litter Along TxDOT Highways - Cody Whittenburg, Interim Environmental Services Director

2. Questions Regarding Changes in Membership on Boards and Commissions for April 23, 2024, Council Meeting

There were no questions Regarding Changes in Membership on Boards and Commissions for the April 23, 2024, Council Meeting.

3. Questions Regarding City Council M&C Log for April 23, 2024, Council Meeting

There were no questions Regarding City Council M&C Log for April 23, 2024, Council Meeting.

4. Briefing on Public Safety in West 7th Entertainment District – Robert Alldredge, Police Executive Assistant Chief and Dimitrios Mastoras, Safe Night LLC

Presentation was given by Robert Alldredge, Police Executive Assistant Chief and Dimitrios Mastoras, Safe Night LLC.

Council Member Beck recommended providing training for area businesses.

Council Member Flores stated that Council could be of assistance with outreach and communication to area businesses.

Mayor Parker requested information on the installation of the parking bollards and incentives to encourage businesses to adopt a voluntary wandering program.

5. Park and Recreation Department’s Capital Update – Richard Zavala, Park and Recreation Director

Presentation was given by Richard Zavala, Park and Recreation Director.

6. Transportation and Public Works Capital Projects Update – Lauren Prieur, Transportation and Public Works Director

Presentation was given by Lauren Prieur, Transportation and Public Works Director.

Council Member Flores requested additional information on the low altitude weather sensors.

7. City Council Requests for Future Agenda Items and/or Reports

Council Member Flores requested a report on the process for recycling or donating materials being discarded from the Old City Hall.

Council Member Lauersdorf requested a report on recommendations to address complaints involving the service provided by Knight Waste Services.

Mayor Pro Tem Bivens requested a report on the new Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Section 3 requirements and how the City is complying with them on Fort Worth Housing Solutions Projects in Stop Six.

Mayor Pro Tem Bivens requested a calendar of future warrant forgiveness dates for 2024.

Council Member Beck requested a report on the City’s plan for applying for the

FEMA Grant Opportunities for Fire Prevention.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Parker adjourned the meeting at 3:01 p.m.