

CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021

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 Cary Moon, District 4
Council Member Jared Williams, District 6
Council Member Leonard Firestone, District 7
Council Member Chris Nettles, District 8
Council Member Elizabeth Beck, District 9

Staff Present:

David Cooke, City Manager
Sarah Fullenwider, City Attorney
Ronald P. Gonzales, Acting 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 3:03 p.m. on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, in the City Council Chamber of the Fort Worth City Hall, 200 Texas Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

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

a. Changes to the City Council Agenda

City Manager Cooke advised the following:

- M&C 21-0645 will be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda and continued to September 21, 2021
- M&C 21-0654 will be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda and withdrawn from consideration
- M&C 21-0633 will be continued to October 19, 2021

b. Upcoming and Recent Events

Assistant City Manager Valerie Washington introduced Christina Brooks, Diversity and Inclusion Director, who advised that tomorrow that September 15th through November 7th, Hispanic Heritage Month would be celebrated. She also provided information on various events being held in the City to celebrate Hispanic Heritage.

c. Organizational Updates and Employee Recognition(s)

City Manager Cooke called on Mr. D.J. Harrell, Development Services Director, who introduced his new Assistant Director of Zoning and Design, Mr. Daniel Leal.

City Manager Cooke called on Mr. William Johnson, TPW Director, who introduced his new Assistant Director for Regional Transportation and Innovation, Mr. Kelly Porter.

d. Informal Reports

[21-10648](#) Addressing ADA and Accessibility Needs at Future City Hall - Steve Cooke

[21-10649](#) American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Project Funding Process - Jay Chapa

[21-10650](#) Atmos Energy 2021 Rate Review Mechanism Tariff Filing - Juanita Rigsby

[21-10651](#) Banking Services Agreement Renewal - John Samford

[21-10653](#) Liquid Oxygen Supply for Water Treatment - Chris Harder

[21-10654](#) Office of Police Oversight Monitor (OPOM) Update and Mutual Accountability Working Group's Recommendation Regarding the Proposed Community Policy Advisory Board - Kim Neal

[21-10655](#) Redistricting Procedures - Fernando Costa

[21-10652](#) School Crossing Guard - Assistant Chief Joseph Sparrow

[21-10656](#) Proposal to Rename the Fort Worth Business Assistance Center in Honor of Devoyd Jennings - Robert Sturns

[21-10657](#) Update on Fiscal Year 2022 Proposed Budgets for Operating PIDs and Tourism PID - Robert Sturns

[21-10658](#) Update on I-35W Designation to Honor Atatiana Jefferson - Dana Burghdoff

[21-10659](#) Urban Forestry Fine Structures of Municipalities in the Cross Timbers in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas - Melinda Ramos

2. Current Agenda Items - City Council Members

Council Member Williams - M&C 21-0672. Mr. Richard Zavala, Park and Recreation Director, provided an overview of the M&C.

Council Member Moon - ZC-21-101. Advised of the reason he would be supporting the zoning change as the tax credit position had not come forward, with the assumption that the property would be placed on the tax role.

3. Responses to Items Continued from a Previous Meeting

[ZC-21-075](#) (CD 8) VERTEX ASSET PARTNERS, LP, 3001 & 3045 S Riverside Drive, From: "PD 760" Planned Development for all uses in "I" Light Industrial , excluding chicken battery or brooder, coal, coke or wood yard, outdoor sales and storage, and retaining current PD 760 standards, site plan waived To: Amend "PD 760" Planned Development for all uses in "I" Light Industrial plus mini-warehouses including outdoor sales, rental and storage including yards, contractors, lumber or storage, automobiles, equipment, storage yards & containers, building materials excluding certain uses with development standards, site plan waiver requested (13.91 ac) (Recommended for Approval by the Zoning Commission) (Continued from a Previous Meeting)

Council Member Nettles will deny with prejudice.

[ZC-21-082](#) (CD 8) Lama Estate, LLC, 4113 Mansfield Highway, From: “B” Two-Family, “E” Neighborhood Commercial To: “E” Neighborhood Commercial (1.24 ac) (Recommended for Approval by the Zoning Commission) (Continued from a Previous Meeting)

Council Member Nettles will move forward with the zoning.

[ZC-21-096](#) (CD 8) MCM Jones Family Inv LTD, 3601 Shelby Road, From: “A-5” One-Family, “C” Medium Density Multifamily “E” Neighborhood Commercial To: “A-5” One-Family (84.74 ac) (Recommended for Approval by the Zoning Commission) (Continued from a Previous Meeting)

Council Member Nettles will move forward with the zoning.

4. Update Related to COVID-19 Response and Recovery

- a. COVID-19 Updates and Data - Brandon Bennett, Code Compliance

5. Overview of Significant Zoning Cases - Sevanne Steiner, Development Services

SP-21-020: Will be continued for 30 days.

ZC-21-087: Applicant has requested zoning case be withdrawn.

ZC-21-105: Will be denied with prejudice.

ZC-21-107: Recommended for approval by the Zoning Commission; however, there was significant opposition at the neighborhood meeting. Council Member Firestone will continue to October 12, 2021.

ZC-21-108: Mayor Pro tem Bivens will support staff’s recommendation to deny.

ZC-21-113: Applicant asked for 30-day continuance.

ZC-21-116: Zoning Commission recommended denial without prejudice. Council Member Williams advised that the zoning case will be continued.

ZC-21-134: Recommended for approval as amended by the Zoning Commission to exclude certain uses. Council Member Firestone will move forward.

ZC-21-134: Recommended for approval by the Zoning Commission. Council Member Williams will deny with prejudice.

6. Briefing on Approval of FY2022 Dallas Fort Worth International Airport Operating and Revenue Budget - Chris Poinsette, Dallas Fort Worth International Airport

7. Proposed Council Meeting Changes – Sarah Fullenwider, Law and Ron Gonzales, City Secretary's Office

This item was moved to the September 21, 2021, Work Session meeting.

8. Briefing on Arts-Related Activities: Public Art, Grants Program, and Management of Community Arts Center

- a. Contract with Arts Council of Fort Worth – Mark McAvoy, Planning and Data Analytics
- b. Proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Public Art Work Plan – Estrus Tucker, Fort Worth Art Commission; Martha Peters, Arts Council of Fort Worth

9. Presentation on Neighborhood Traffic Calming – Tanya Brooks, Transportation & Public Works

This item was moved to the September 21, 2021, Work Session meeting.

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

Council Member Beck: Response times and response actions to significant water breaks. Presentation regarding process; tracking dropped calls to emergency numbers; what is being done to improve process; what follow up is done; what resources are available to citizens to mitigate issue.

Council Members Williams and Beck: Update on the process of making District Directors full-time employees; what are potential holdups and how will those be overcome. Council Members controlling the budget including staffing

Council Members Flores and Beck: Potential sources of funding that can be used to fund 50 additional Fire Fighter positions in the FY2022 budget. - Explanation of how pension contributions are being paid by Fire Department resulting from over-time.

Council Member Nettles: Individual who called 911 was on hold for 20 minutes; what is the process of responding.

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Council Member Nettles: Provide all meeting agendas (Council; Corporation Boards; Council Committee) on Thursdays.

Council Member Firestone: Crossing Guard Services Contract Update

There being no further business, Mayor Parker adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.