

**CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS**  
**CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2024**

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**Present:**

Mayor Pro tem Gyna M. Bivens, District 5 (via video)  
Council Member Carlos Flores, District 2  
Council Member Michael D. Crain, District 3 (via video)  
Council Member Charlie Lauersdorf, District 4  
Council Member Jared Williams, District 6 (via video)  
Council Member Macy Hill, District 7  
Council Member Chris Nettles, District 8  
Council Member Elizabeth Beck, District 9  
Council Member Alan Blaylock, District 10 (via video)  
Council Member Jeanette Martinez, District 11 (via video)

**Absent:**

Mayor Mattie Parker

**Staff Present:**

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

With a quorum of the City Council Members present, City Secretary Jannette Goodall called the City Council Public Comment Meeting of the Fort Worth City Council to order at 6:03 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, in the City Council Chamber of the Fort Worth City Hall, 200 Texas Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

**INVOCATION - Reverend Tim Clifford, Arlington Heights United Methodist Church**

The invocation was provided by Reverend Tim Clifford of Arlington Heights United Methodist Church.

**PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF TEXAS - (State of Texas Pledge: "Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.")**

The Pledges of Allegiances to the United States of America and the State of Texas were recited.

**CONSIDERATION OF CHAIR OF MEETING**

Mayor Pro tem Bivens made a motion, seconded by Council Member Hill that Council Member Flores be appointed as chair of the meeting. Motion passed 10-0, Mayor Parker absent.

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

Motion: Council Member Nettles made a motion, seconded by Council Member Beck that the Work Session and Public Comment meetings of September 10, 2024, be approved. Motion passed 10-0, Mayor Parker absent.

[24-4601](#) Minutes - September 10, 2024 Work Session

[24-4602](#) Minutes - September 10, 2024 Public Comment

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

[24-4651](#) Public Comments

Bob Willoughby appeared before Council relative to general comments.

Jake Wilson appeared before Council relative to recognizing 20 years of the 40 days for life movement and sharing about resources available for expecting mothers through the herplan.org directory.

Payton Jackson completed a speaker card relative to Officer Snyder #3435 and was recognized by Council Member Flores but was not present in the chamber.

Donnell Ballard appeared before Council via conference call relative to William Martin.

George Chiles appeared before Council relative to City Council comedy.

Irma Holt completed a speaker card relative to the application for repair of her mother's bathroom at 3102 Rosen Avenue, 76106 and was recognized by Council Member Flores but was not present in the chamber.

Bishop Kirkland completed a speaker card relative to community issues and was recognized by Council Member Flores but was not present in the chamber.

The following individuals appeared before Council relative to East Fort Worth fireworks and street racing:

Torchy White

Judy Taylor

Dave Fulson, representing John T. White Neighborhood Association

Cindy Boling

Gerald Banks Sr., representing Equal Justice Now, appeared before Council relative to profiling, police brutality, wrongful arrest, killing, wrongful prosecution, ending qualified immunity, etc.

Adrian Smith appeared before Council relative to ABCDEFG.

JD Jimmerson appeared before Council relative to continuous noise violations at 1616 NW 35th St. and free speech at all Council meetings.

Jim DeLong appeared before Council relative to decorum.

Teena James, representing Echo Heights Stop Six Environmental Coalition, completed a speaker card relative to life and was recognized by Council Member Flores but was not present in the chamber.

Mar'Tayshia James, representing EHSSEC, appeared before Council via conference call relative to zoning/neighborhood.

James Smith appeared before Council relation to Atatiana Jefferson and Tay Day weekend.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Council Member Flores adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.