

CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2025

Present:

Mayor Mattie Parker
Mayor Pro tem Carlos Flores, District 2
Council Member Michael D. Crain, District 3
Council Member Charlie Lauersdorf, District 4
Council Member Deborah Peoples, District 5
Council Member Dr. Mia Hall, District 6
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

Staff Present:

Jesus "Jay" Chapa, City Manager
Leann Guzman, City Attorney
Katherine Cenicola, Assistant 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 1:14 p.m. on Tuesday, December 2, 2025, in the City Council Work Session Room of the Fort Worth City Hall, 100 Fort Worth Trail, Fort Worth, Texas.

1. Report of the City Manager - Jesus "Jay" Chapa, City Manager

a. Upcoming and Recent Events

There were no upcoming and recent events.

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b. Organizational Updates and Employee Recognition(s)

City Manager Jay Chapa called on:

- Jesica McEachern to recognize the Public Events Communications Team for their recent awards from the Public Relations Society of America (GFW PRSA)
- Jesica McEachern to recognize Dianna Giordano for being named HR Professional of the Year 2025 Award by Fort Worth HR.

c. Informal Reports

25-0128 2026 Affordable Housing Bond Proposition - Kacey Thomas, Neighborhood Services Director

Council Member Beck requested Kacey Thomas, Neighborhood Services Director, provide a summary of the Informal Report.

Council Member Nettles requested staff provide options for additional affordable housing projects that could be accomplished if additional bond dollars for affordable housing were added to the bond.

25-0129 Amendment of the Economic Development Program (Chapter 380) Policy and Tax Abatement Policy - Jessica Rogers, Economic Development Director

25-0130 Economic Development Quarter 4 FY2025 Update - Jessica Rogers, Economic Development Director

25-0131 City Council Requests for Future Agenda Items and/or Reports Response Process - Bethany Warner, Assistant to the City Manager

Council Member Nettles requested Bethany Warner, Assistant to the City Manager, provide a summary of the Informal Report.

25-0132 Emergency Overnight Cold Weather Overflow Sheltering - Tara Perez, Homeless Strategies Manager

Council Member Hill requested Tara Perez, Homeless Strategies Manager, provide a summary of the Informal Report.

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25-0133 Food Services Program at City Hall - Marilyn Marvin, Property Management Director

Marily Marvin, Property Management Director answered questions regarding the Informal Report.

25-0134 Gun Shot Detection Technology Update - Mark Barthen, Police Deputy Chief

Council Member Peoples requested Mark Bathen, Police Deputy Chief, provide a summary of the Informal Report. Eddie Garcia, Police Chief, also provided information regarding the Informal Report.

25-0135 One Second Collaborative Update - Robert Alldredge, Police Executive Assistant Chief

Council Member Peoples requested Robert Allredge, Police Executive Assistant Chief, provide a summary of the Informal Report.

25-0136 Update on Panhandling Enforcement - Monica Martin, Police Deputy Chief

Council Member Peoples requested Monica Martin, Police Deputy Chief, provide a summary of the Informal Report.

25-0137 Reappointment of Substitute Hearing Officer - William Rumuly, Municipal Court Director

25-0138 Regulation of Special Events and EMS Standby Service - Taylor Paris, Senior Assistant City Attorney and Richard Harrison, Fire Marshal

25-0139 September and October 2025 Report on the Release of Area from the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) by Petition of Landowner or Resident - Lashondra Stringfellow, Development Services Assistant Director

25-0140 Transportation Engineering Manual Revisions - Temporary Street Closures - Michael Owen, Transportation and Public Works Professional Engineer

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25-0141 Update on Texas A&M Fort Worth Campus Project - Roger Venables, Aviation Director

Mayor Parker requested Roger Venables, Aviation Director, provide a summary of the Informal Report.

2. Questions Regarding Changes in Membership on Boards and Commissions for December 9, 2025 Council Meeting

There were no questions regarding changes in membership on Boards and Commissions for December 9, 2025, Council Meeting.

3. Questions Regarding Significant Zoning Cases for December 9, 2025 Council Meeting

There were no questions regarding significant Zoning Cases for December 9, 2025, Council Meeting.

4. Questions Regarding City Council M&C Log for December 9, 2025 Council Meeting

There were no questions regarding City Council M&C Log for December 9, 2025, Council Meeting.

9. Possible Local Ordinance Regarding Sex Offender Residency - Jerris Mapes, Senior Assistant City Attorney and Eddie Garcia, Police Chief

Presentation was provided by Jerris Mapes, Senior Assistant Attorney.

5. Proposed Midyear Program Investments – Jay Chapa, City Manager

Presentation was provided by Jay Chapa, City Manager, Christianne Simmons, Chief Transformation Officer, and Brian Daugherty, Code Compliance Director.

Council Member Hill requested an informal report on the Transparent Star Program.

Council Member Hill also requested an update, in six months, on the Nuisance Enforcement Task Force pilot program including an update on animal welfare.

**6. Discussion of Possible Charter Election in May 2026 - Gavin Midgley,
Assistant City Attorney**

Presentation was provided by Gavin Midgley, Assistant City Attorney.

**7. Stormwater Valley Storage Regulation Recommendations – Ben Thompson,
Transportation and Public Works Sr. Professional Engineer**

Presentation was provided by Ben Thompson, Transportation and Public Works Sr. Professional Engineer.

**8. Proposed Zoning Amendments to Alleviate the Proliferation of Certain
Business Uses – Stephanie Scott-Sims, Development Services Planning Manager**

Presentation was provided by Stephanie Scott-Sims, Development Services Planning Manager.

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

Council Member Blaylock requested to reconfigure the Work Session room so speakers are not behind the line of sight of the dais.

Council Member Beck requested staff to work with Visit Fort Worth and the Film Commission to look nationally at how other cities permit and handle the interplay between our neighborhoods and filming and to come up with best practices.

Council Member Hill requested to circulate the Annual Artwork Plan for fiscal year 2026.

Council Member Flores requested an informal report on the creation of noise ordinance enforcement signage in certain areas where we have repeated violations of that ordinance and what could be done in conjunction with no cruising, as well.

Council Member Nettles requested an informal report on options to add the same priority police button or list that was added to Childcare Associates to YMCAs.

Mayor Parker requested a presentation on how we can utilize our libraries and community centers where there is available space for the art community.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Parker adjourned the meeting at 4:14 p.m.