

# CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS



## COUNCIL PROPOSAL

Date: 1/13/2026	File Number: 335	Subject: Adopt a Revised 2026 City Council Meeting Calendar
Proposed By: Councilmember Chris Nettles Councilmember Michael Crain	City Manager's Review:  Jay Chapa (Jan 7, 2026 14:15:29 CDT)	Page:
	City Attorney's Review: 	PAGE 1 OF 3

It is proposed that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution enacting a revised schedule for City Council meetings for January 2026 through December 2026.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Changes are proposed to the City Council's schedule for 2026 to enhance efficiency and allow for increased public engagement.

#### **Executive Session and Work Session Start Time**

In recent years, it has been City Council's general practice to convene its executive sessions at noon followed by work sessions at 1pm. This timing presents a challenge with Councilmembers being able to take part in luncheon meetings of stakeholder and industry groups. The revised schedule would move the start time for executive session to 1pm, with work session following at 2pm in order to allow Councilmembers to balance these competing interests.

#### **Public Comments**

Since 2021, the City Council has generally scheduled an average of two public comment meetings per month.

Although sparsely attended, these meetings have provided vital opportunities for the public to make its feelings known about topics even when they not on a posted agenda.

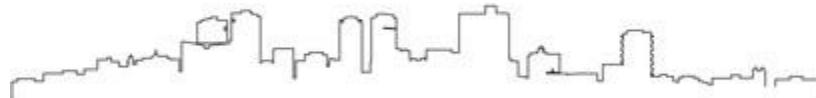
The originally proposed 2026 City Council meeting schedule included only a single public comment meeting per month and also added the possibility of business items being included on those agendas to make more efficient use of staff time and resources.

In connection with that proposed schedule being considered, members of the public and some individuals on Council expressed a desire for more opportunities for public comment.

In an effort to provide opportunities for public comment while maintaining efficiency, the attached resolution proposes a schedule that would include a public comment section on each regularly scheduled

- LEGALITY
- FISCAL NOTE
- CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS
- CITY POLICIES MANUAL

# CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS



## COUNCIL PROPOSAL

Date:	File Number:	Subject:
Proposed By: Councilmember Chris Nettles Councilmember Michael Crain	City Manager's Review:	Page:
	City Attorney's Review:	PAGE 2 OF 3

business meeting – providing 20 opportunities for public comment instead of 10 – and eliminating the designated Public Comment Meetings from the schedule.

### **STRATEGIC PRIORITY:**

Responsible Growth

### **LEGALITY:**

The Department of Law finds that this proposal is legal and that is it within the authority of the City Council.

### **FISCAL NOTE:**

The following costs are anticipated to be incurred to implement this Council Proposal:

1. Direct appropriation or expenditure required. \$0
2. Estimated (A) number of staff hours (N/A), (B) average total-employee per-hour cost (N/A), and (C) staff costs (AxB) (N/A)
3. Total estimated costs (1 +2) = \$0

No additional appropriations are necessary.

Based on the above and the attached financial checklist, the Director of Finance certifies that approval of this Council Proposal will have no material effect on City Funds

### **CURRENT FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

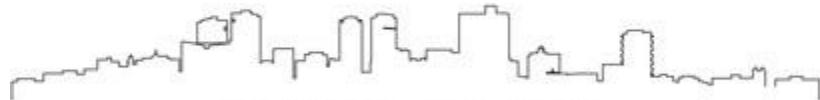
N/A

### **ONGOING FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

N/A

- LEGALITY
- FISCAL NOTE
- CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS
- CITY POLICIES MANUAL

# CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS



## COUNCIL PROPOSAL

Date:	File Number:	Subject:
Proposed By: Councilmember Chris Nettles Councilmember Michael Crain	City Manager's Review:	Page:
	City Attorney's Review:	PAGE 3 OF 3

### CITY MANAGER'S COMMENT:

The City Manager has no objection to this Council Proposal.

### **PROPOSED BY:**

A handwritten signature of Chris Nettles.

Councilmember Chris Nettles, District 8

A handwritten signature of Michael Crain.

Councilmember Michael Crain, District 3

A handwritten signature of Deborah Peoples.

Councilmember Deborah Peoples, District 5

A handwritten signature of Mattie Parker.

Mayor Mattie Parker

A handwritten signature of Carlos Flores.

Mayor Pro Tem Carlos Flores

A handwritten signature of Mia Hall.

Councilmember Dr. Mia Hall, District 6

- LEGALITY
- FISCAL NOTE
- CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS
- CITY POLICIES MANUAL

# **A Resolution**

**NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

## **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS, ENACTING A REVISED MEETING SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 2026 THROUGH DECEMBER 2026**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter III, Section 5 of the Fort Worth City Charter requires the City Council to meet at such times and places as may be prescribed by ordinance or resolution and that not less than forty-four (44) regular and special meetings be held each calendar year; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 3.2 of the City Council Rules of Procedure, unless otherwise officially changed by the City Council, the Council shall meet in the City Council Work Session Room and Council Chamber respectively at the City Hall on Tuesday of each week at times set by the City Council by Resolution in order to be briefed on matters of interest to the city and conduct other city business; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council previously adopted Resolution 6188-09-2025 setting the regularly scheduled City Council Work Sessions and City Council Meetings for January 2026 through December 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council wishes to delay the standard start times for executive session and work session by one hour to allow Councilmembers to attend luncheons and other community activities but still complete those meetings within regular business hours; and

**WHEREAS**, to provide greater opportunities for public comment while maintaining efficiency, the City Council also wishes to revise the schedule by adding a public comment section on each regularly scheduled business meeting – providing 20 opportunities for public comment instead of 10 – and eliminating the designated Public Comment Meetings from the schedule; and

**WHEREAS**, adoption of this resolution serves as official action by the City Council in accordance with the City Charter setting the regular Work Session and City Council Meetings for January 2026 through December 2026 and amending the Rules.

## **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS, THAT:**

1. The City Council will hold City Council Work Sessions, preceded by Executive Sessions, during the calendar year of 2026 as follows:

January 6 and 27, 2026

February 3 and 24, 2026

March 3 and 31, 2026

April 7 and 28, 2026

May 5, 2026

June 2 and 23, 2026

August 4 and 25, 2026

September 1 and 29, 2026

October 20 and 27, 2026

November 17, 2026\*

December 3, 2026

City Council Work Sessions shall generally start at 2:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday listed for each month with the exception of November 17 and at 9:00 a.m. on the second Tuesday listed for each month and on November 17, but Work Session may start at such other time as reflected in the posted agenda for such meeting, which agenda shall be published in advance in accordance with state law. Executive Session shall generally begin at 1:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday listed for each month and will be scheduled as needed on the second Tuesday listed for each month, but the start time for any Executive Session will be such time as is reflected in the posted agenda for the meeting, which agenda shall be published in advance in accordance with state law. Additional Executive Session meetings will be scheduled during the year as needed by resolution or call.

2. The City Council will hold evening City Council Meetings during the calendar year 2026 as follows:

January 13, 2026

February 10, 2026

March 10, 2026

April 14, 2026

May 12, 2026

June 9, 2026

August 11, 2026

September 15, 2026

October 13, 2026

November 10, 2026

December 8, 2026

3. City Council Meetings on such dates shall generally start at 6:00 p.m. but may start at such other time as reflected in the posted agenda for such meeting, which agenda shall be published in advance in accordance with state law. Each evening City Council Meeting shall include a Public Comment portion where persons may address the City Council about any matter related to City business or affairs that is in the scope of the authority and legislative functions of the City Council, provided speakers register in advance as required by the Council Rules of Procedure.

4. The City Council will hold day City Council Meetings during the calendar year 2026 as follows:

January 27, 2026

February 24, 2026

March 31, 2026

April 28, 2026

June 23, 2026

August 25, 2026

September 29, 2026

October 27, 2026

November 17, 2026

City Council Meetings on such dates shall generally start at 10:00 a.m. but may start at such other time as reflected in the posted agenda for such meeting, which agenda shall be published in advance in accordance with state law. Each daytime City Council Meeting shall include a Public Comment portion where persons may address the City Council about any matter related to City business or affairs that is in the scope of the authority and legislative functions of the City Council, provided speakers register in advance as required by the Council Rules of Procedure.

4. The City Council will hold Budget Work Sessions during the calendar year 2026 as follows:

April 21, 2026

May 12 and 19, 2026

June 2 and 16, 2026

August 11 and 18, 2026

Budget Work Session Meetings on such dates will begin at the start time reflected in the posted agenda for each such meeting, which agenda shall be published in advance in accordance with state law.

5. A calendar indicating the above dates and times is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A.
6. City Council Work Sessions, Executive Sessions, and City Council Meetings shall generally be held at City Hall, 100 Fort Worth Trail, but may take place at another location as reflected in the posted agenda for such meeting, provided that such location must comply with state law and the agenda for such meeting shall be published in advance in accordance with state law.
7. The schedule provided for in this Resolution supersedes and replaces the one adopted by Resolution 6188-09-2025.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2026.

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jannette S. Goodall, City Secretary

## Proposed Schedule for Council Proposals

January 2026						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

February						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

March						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

April						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21*	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

May						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12*	13	14	15	16
17	18	19*	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

June						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2*	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16*	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

July						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

August						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11*	12	13	14	15
16	17	18*	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

September						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

October						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

November						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

December						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

## 2026 Council Schedule

## EXHIBIT A

Jan 01	New Year's Day
Jan 19	M L King Day
Jan 20	Day after Holiday/No Mtg
Mar 15-21	FWISD Spring Break/No Mtg
Mar 16-18	NLC/Washington, DC
May 2	Election Day
May 25	Memorial Day Holiday
May 26	Day after Holiday/No Mtg
Jun 19	Juneteenth Holiday
Jul 1-31	No Council Meetings
Sep 07	Labor Day Holiday
Sep 08	Day after Holiday/No Mtg
Oct 6	National Night Out/No Mtg
Nov 3	Election Day
Nov 11-13	TML – San Antonio
Nov 19-21	NLC/Nashville
Nov 26	Thanksgiving Week/No Mtg
Dec 15, 22 & 29	No Meeting
Dec 25	Christmas Holiday
<b>MEETING LEGEND</b>	
<b>Executive Session (1 PM)</b>	
<b>Work Session (2 PM)</b>	
<b>Council Meeting/Zoning (6 PM) includes Public Comment</b>	
<b>Work Session (9 AM)</b>	
<b>Council Meeting (11 AM) includes Public Comment</b>	
<b>No Council Meeting</b>	
<b>*Budget Work Sessions</b>	
<b>4/21/26; 5/12/26; 5/19/26; 6/2/26; 6/16/26; 8/11/26; 8/18/26</b>	
<b>City Holiday/Conference</b>	