

CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 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 (Arrived at 10:12)
Council Member Macy Hill, District 7
Council Member Chris Nettles, District 8 (Arrived at 10:15)
Council Member Elizabeth Beck, District 9
Council Member Alan Blaylock, District 10 (Remote - left at 10:35)
Council Member Jeanette Martinez, District 11

Staff Present:

Jesus “Jay” Chapa, City Manager
Leann Guzman, City Attorney
Jannette Goodall, City Secretary

1. Call to Order - Mattie Parker, Mayor

With a quorum of the City Council Members present, Mayor Parker called the City Council Budget Work Session of the FY2026 Budget to order 10:05 a.m. on Tuesday, August 19, 2025, in the City Council Work Session Room of the Fort Worth City Hall, 100 Fort Worth Trail, Fort Worth, Texas.

2. Opening Remarks - Jay Chapa, City Manager

3. Budget Responses - Christianne Simmons, Chief Transformation Officer

a. BR26-001: Peer City Tax Rates

b. BR26-002: FY2026 Planned Fee Change

Council Member Beck recommended increasing the budget for PARD to expand the Alleyway Maintenance program.

Council Member Flores requested information on the cost of using recycled asphalt for paving alleyways.

c. BR26-003: Cost to Expand Alleyway Maintenance

d. Other - None

4. FY2026 Budget Reductions - Cristi Lemon, FWLab Assistant Director

Presentations were presented by Dave Lewis, PARD Director, Robert Alldredge, Interim Police Chief, Marilyn Marvin, Property Management Director

Council Member Peoples requested information on the attrition rate for officers.

Council Member Flores requested information on replacement of police vehicles.

Council Member Nettles requested information on process for Council to review reductions or changes in the reduction packages going forward.

Presentation on FY26 Budget Reductions was provided by Cristi Lemon, FWLab Assistant Director.

Council Members expressed interest in having additional town-hall meetings that are budget focused to help increase options for residents to attend.

5. Wrap-up Discussion - Christianne Simmons, Chief Transformation Officer

6. Closing Comments - Mattie Parker, Mayor

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

Council Member Lauersdorf requested staff consider increasing fees for lift services provided by the Fire Department for services provided to private facilities.

Council Member Peoples requested information on the costs for adding an additional Sister City.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Parker adjourned the meeting at 10:44 a.m.