

CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2022

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 Alan Blaylock, District 4
Council Member Leonard Firestone, District 7
Council Member Chris Nettles, District 8
Council Member Elizabeth Beck, District 9

Absent:

Council Member Jared Williams, District 6

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, Mayor Parker called the City Council Public Comment Meeting of the Fort Worth City Council to order at 6:05 p.m. on Tuesday, August 16, 2022, in the City Council Chamber of the Fort Worth City Hall, 200 Texas Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

INVOCATION - Pastor Phillip Ross, Beth Yeshua Congregation

The invocation was provided by Pastor Phillip Ross, Beth Yeshua Congregation.

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 MINUTES

Motion: Council Member Crain made a motion, seconded by Council Member Firestone, that the minutes of the Work Session and Public Comment meeting of August 2, 2022, be approved. Motion passed 8-0, Council Member Williams absent.

[22-2308](#) Minutes - August 2, 2022 Work Session

[22-2309](#) Minutes - August 2, 2022 Public Comment

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The City Council may not discuss or deliberate about a topic not specifically listed on the Agenda, including those presented during the Public Comments section of the Agenda (Tex. Gov't Code § 551.042)

[22-2333](#) Public Comments

The following individuals appeared before Council via conference call relative to short-term rentals:

Ms. Nancy Johnson
Ms. Pam Hudson
Ms. Alicia Gonzalez
Mr. Chris Cunningham

Mr. David Estep appeared before Council via conference call relative to Code Compliance. Mayor Parker requested that an Assistant City Manager Valerie Washington contact him by phone.

Ms. Kheri Hines, Memphis, Texas, appeared before Council via conference call relative to the need for a Civilian Review Board.

Mr. Clay Smith, representing Fort Worth Marshal's Association, completed a speaker card relative to Municipal Court leadership and Human Resources leadership and was recognized by Mayor Parker but was not present in the Council Chambers.

Ms. Barbara Meece appeared before Council relative to short-term rentals and provided handouts. Mayor Parker requested that Ms. Meece meet with Assistant City Manager Dana Burghdoff after the meeting.

Mr. Bob Willoughby appeared before Council relative to general comments.

Mr. Dave Fulson, representing the John T. White Neighborhood Association, appeared before Council relative to illegal use of City facilities to campaign.

Ms. Laila Talley appeared before Council relative to SMART water meters.

Ms. Tina Hampton appeared before Council relative to short-term rentals in residential neighborhoods.

Mr. George Chiles appeared before Council relative to sisterly issues.

Mr. Thomas Torlincasi appeared before Council relative to a resolution idea for agenda, political prisoner, and Mr. Jungus Jordan's conduct.

Ms. Mandy Fisk completed a speaker card relative to Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act (1986) and abortions for life-threatening pregnancies in Fort Worth and was recognized by Mayor Parker but was not present in the Council Chambers.

The following individuals appeared before Council relative to short-term rentals:

Ms. Jessica Reinsch

Mr. Donald Crosby

Mr. Michael McDermott

Ms. Tiffany Nelson

Ms. Terry Smith

Mr. Doyle Fine appeared before Council relative to a proposal for Act of Grace resolution and provided handouts.

Mr. Evgeny Vorotnikov appeared before Council relative to transit oriented development and provided handouts.

Mr. James Smith appeared before Council relative to Atatiana Jefferson and Manuel Mata.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Parker adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m., in memory of ProRodeo Hall of Famer Neal Gay who passed away on Thursday, August 11, 2022.