# CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023

## **Present:**

Mayor Mattie Parker

Council Member Carlos Flores, District 2

Council Member Michael D. Crain, District 3

Council Member Alan Blaylock, District 4

Mayor Pro tem Gyna M. Bivens, District 5 (via video)

Council Member Jared Williams, District 6

Council Member Leonard Firestone, District 7

Council Member Chris Nettles, District 8 (via video)

Council Member Elizabeth Beck, District 9

### **Staff Present:**

David Cooke, City Manager Leann Guzman, City Attorney Jannette S. 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 6:02 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, in the City Council Chamber of the Fort Worth City Hall, 200 Texas Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

#### **INVOCATION**

The invocation was provided by Council Member Dr. Jared Williams.

# 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 Beck made a motion, seconded by Council Member Crain, that the minutes of the Council Work Session and Public Comment meetings of April 4, 2023, be approved. Motion passed 9-0.

<u>23-0028</u> Minutes - April 4, 2023 Work Session

23-0030 Minutes - April 4, 2023 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)

23-0091 Public Comments

Payton Jackson appeared before Council relative to conflict in the community.

Bob Willoughby appeared before Council relative to general comments.

Adrian Smith appeared before Council relative to NA.

Jim DeLong appeared before Council relative to a bullet.

Evgeny Vorotnikov appeared before Council relative to housing for Ukrainian refugees.

Tony Abbs completed a speaker card relative to school cross guard and was recognized by Mayor Parker but was not present in the Council Chambers.

James Smith appeared before Council relative to accountability for Brandon.

Malikk Austin appeared before Council relative to the State of the City.

Marialina Tillman, representing Watervue Tenants Association, appeared before Council relative to problems with housing, Tri-County Electric, and One Source Communications.

Manuel Mata appeared before Council relative to police.

Carolina Rodriguez appeared before Council relative to police.

Cody Warden completed a speaker card relative to police and was recognized by Mayor Parker but was not present in the Council Chambers.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Parker adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.