CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024

Present:

Mayor Pro tem Gyna M. Bivens, District 5 Council Member Carlos Flores, District 2 Council Member Charlie Lauersdorf, District 4 Council Member Jared Williams, District 6 Council Member Macy Hill, District 7 Council Member Chris Nettles, District 8 Council Member Alan Blaylock, District 10 Council Member Jeanette Martinez, District 11

Absent:

Mayor Mattie Parker Council Member Michael D. Crain, District 3 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 Pro tem Bivens called the City Council Public Comment Meeting of the Fort Worth City Council to order at 6:02 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, in the City Council Chamber of the Fort Worth City Hall, 200 Texas Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

INVOCATION - Reverend Dr. Steve Jeffery, All Saints Presbyterian Church

The invocation was provided by Reverend Dr. Steve Jeffery, All Saints Presbyterian Church.

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 Nettles made a motion, seconded by Council Member Hill that the Work Session and Public Comment meetings of March 5, 2024, and the Council Meeting of March 19, 2024, be approved. Motion passed 8-0, Mayor Parker, Council Members Crain, and Beck absent.

24-4140 Minutes - March 5, 2024 Work Session

24-4142 Minutes - March 5, 2024 Public Comment

24-4144 Minutes - March 19, 2024 Council Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENTS

24-4148 Public Comments

Bob Willoughby appeared before Council relative to general comments.

Vera Lockett appeared before Council via conference call relative to animal organization.

Daniel Haase, representing Advocates for Gateway Park, appeared before Council relative to Gateway Park.

Angela Blochowicz, representing the Jennings-May-St. Louis Neighborhood Association, appeared before Council relative to the homeless.

George Chiles appeared before Council relative to what price unity part two.

David Martinez appeared before Council via conference call relative to Texas zoning change.

Jan Buck, representing the Riverside Alliance, appeared before Council relative to the Riverside Community Center.

Jim DeLong appeared before Council relative to a Red Ball 3.

Randolph Shaheed appeared before Council relative to ex-offenders having the right to vote.

JD Jimmerson appeared before Council relative to noise violations.

Adrian Smith completed a speaker card relative to BOA and was recognized by Mayor Pro tem Bivens but was not present in the Council Chamber.

James Smith appeared before Council relative to Atatiana Jefferson, alley maintenance, and Manuel Mata.

The following individuals appeared before Council relative to a ceasefire resolution for Palestine:

Aakifah Khan Mariam Fatah Arsalan Jaffery Asiya Jaffery

Waleed Abdelhamid completed a speaker card relative to a ceasefire for Palestine and was recognized by Mayor Pro tem Bivens but was could not be reached.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Pro tem Bivens adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.