CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 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
Council Member Macy Hill, District 7
Council Member Chris Nettles, District 8
Council Member Elizabeth Beck, District 9
Council Member Alan Blaylock, District 10
Council Member Jeanette Martinez, District 11 (virtual)

Staff Present:

Jesus “Jay” Chapa, City Manager
Leann Guzman, City Attorney
Katherine Cenicola, Assistant City Secretary

With a quorum of the City Council Members present, Mayor Parker called the City Council Work Session of the Fort Worth City Council to order 1:17 p.m. on Tuesday, October 14, 2025, in the City Council Work Session Room of the Fort Worth City Hall, 100 Fort Worth Trail, Fort Worth, Texas.

1. Report of the City Manager - Jesus "Jay" Chapa, City Manager

a. Upcoming and Recent Events

There were no upcoming and recent events.

b. Organizational Updates and Employee Recognition(s)

City Manager Chapa called on:

- Dianna Giordano to Introduce Kristen Smith as New Human Resources Director.
- Dr. Sana Syed to Give CPE Organizational Update.
- Dana Burghdoff to Recognize Ellen Pearce for 2025 American Heart Walk.
- Dana Burghdoff to Introduce Adam Powell (President and CEO) to Give an Update on the Annual United Way City Fundraising Campaign Kick-Off.
- Mayor Parker to Recognize Cody Whittenburg and Team with a Proclamation for America Recycles Day.

c. Informal Reports

25-0114 2026 Debt Plan - $25.0 Million Tax Notes, Series 2025B - Alex Laufer, Financial Management Services Assistant Finance Director

25-0115 Community Partnership Fund - Riverside Arts District Heritage Mural - Martha Collins, Economic Development Manager

- Martha Collins, Economic Development Manager provided a summary of the Informal Report.

25-0116 Judicial Recruitment and Appointment Process - Simón González, Municipal Court Chief Judge

- Judge Simon Gonzalez, Municipal Court Chief Judge answered questions from Council.

25-0117 Litter Control Update: FY25 Summary and FY26 Events - Cody Whittenburg, Environmental Services Director

- Cody Whittenburg, Environmental Services Director answered questions from Council.

25-0118 Residential Neighborhood Parking Restriction Options - Peter Elliott, Transportation and Public Works Administrative Services Manager

- Peter Elliott, Transportation and Public Works Administrative Services Manager answered questions from Council.

Council Member Crain recognized Ben Rusling, a 6th grader from McAnally Middle School.

2. Questions Regarding Changes in Membership on Boards and Commissions for October 21, 2025 Council Meeting

There were no questions regarding changes in membership on Boards and Commissions for October 21, 2025, Council Meeting

3. Questions Regarding Significant Zoning Cases for October 21, 2025 Council Meeting

Mayor Pro tem Flores provided a statement about zoning case ZC-25-114.

4. Questions Regarding City Council M&C Log for October 21, 2025 Council Meeting

There were no questions regarding City Council M&C Log for October 21, 2025, Council Meeting.

5. Update on Neighborhood Improvement Program and 2026 Announcement - Kacey Thomas, Neighborhood Services Director

Presentation was provided by Kacey Thomas, Neighborhood Services Director.

Council Member Crain requested a briefing with Kacey on the left-over dollars for the Las Vegas Trail neighborhood.

Council Member Martinez requested Neighborhood Services work with Code Enforcement of code compliance issues in District 11.

Council Member Beck left at 2:25 p.m.

6. Recycling Costs and Landfill Diversion Update – Cody Whittenburg, Environmental Services Director

Presentation was provided by Cody Whittenburg, Environmental Services Director.

7. Long-Term Waste Disposal, Strategic Planning and Future Options – Cody Whittenburg, Environmental Services Director

Presentation was provided by Cody Whittenburg, Environmental Services Director.

8. Proposed Special Districts for Shelton Ranch and Brown Ranch in the ETJ – Dana Burghdoff, Assistant City Manager

Presentation was provided by Dana Burghdoff, Assistant City Manager.

9. Proposed Creation of a Walsh Ranch Tax Increment Financing District (TIF) - Ori Fernandez, Economic Development Assistant Director

Presentation was provided by Ori Fernandez, Economic Development Assistant Director.

10. Evans and Rosedale Urban Village Mixed-Use Urban Development Financing Update - Martha Collins, Economic Development Manager

Presentation was provided by Martha Collins, Economic Development Director.

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

Council Member Crain requested an update on one second collaborative.

Council Member Crain requested an informal report on youth sports complexes and how it relates to the bond program.

Council Member Crain requested staffing updates for police and fire.

Council Member Nettles requested an informal report on additional safety and detail at Council meetings and appearances for Council and staff; how this impacts the budget.

Council Member Nettles requested an informal report on Council pay increases.

Council Member Nettles requested an informal report on the process of tracking

Council's requests for future agenda items; length of time between requests and when IR's/Presentation are given.

The Mayor and Council Member Crain requested month or quarterly updates on the homelessness program and panhandling.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Parker adjourned the meeting at 3:22 p.m.