

**CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS**  
**CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC COMMENT MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2025**

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**Present:**

Mayor Pro tem Gyna M. Bivens, District 5  
Council Member Carlos Flores, District 2 (via video)  
Council Member Jared Williams, District 6 (via video)  
Council Member Macy Hill, District 7  
Council Member Chris Nettles, District 8  
Council Member Elizabeth Beck, District 9 (via video)  
Council Member Alan Blaylock, District 10 (via video)  
Council Member Jeanette Martinez, District 11 (via video)

**Absent:**

Mayor Mattie Parker  
Council Member Michael D. Crain, District 3  
Council Member Charlie Lauersdorf, District 4

**Staff Present:**

Jesus “Jay” Chapa, City Manager  
Leann Guzman, City Attorney  
Jannette 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 6:12 p.m. on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, in the City Council Chamber of the Fort Worth City Hall, 200 Texas Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

**INVOCATION - Bishop Donald Hayes, G.I.F.T. Ministries**

The invocation was provided by Bishop Donald Hayes of G.I.F.T. Ministries.

**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 Hill made a motion, seconded by Council Member Nettles, that the Work Session and Public Comment meetings of February 4, 2025, be approved. Motion passed 8-0, Mayor Parker, Council Members Crain and Lauersdorf absent.

[25-4889](#) Minutes - February 4, 2025 Work Session

[25-4890](#) Minutes - February 4, 2025 Public Comment

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

[25-4892](#) Public Comments

Daniel Haase appeared before Council relative to RIBS.

Chris Wood appeared before Council relative to missing outlet.

Gerald Banks Sr. completed a speaker card relative to profiling, police brutality, wrongful arrest/killing, wrongful prosecution, end qualified immunity, etc. and was recognized by Mayor Pro tem Bivens but was not present in the Council Chamber.

James Walker, representing Community Leadership United, completed a speaker card relative to an introduction and recommendations and was recognized by Mayor Pro tem Bivens but was not present in the Council Chamber.

Christopher Johnson, representing Community Leadership United, completed a speaker card relative to an introduction and recommendations and was recognized by Mayor Pro tem Bivens but was not present in the Council Chamber.

Bishop Kirkland, representing St. Mark Church, appeared before Council relative to community issues.

Wesley Kirk, representing Support Fort Worth Art, appeared before Council relative to community engagement for the FWCAC.

Homer Blocker III appeared before Council relative to 55 and up apartments.

Rosemary Galdiano, representing Worth Heights Neighborhood Association, appeared before Council relative to public library.

Vicki Bargas appeared before Council relative to library.

Payton Jackson completed a speaker card and was recognized by Mayor Pro tem Bivens but did not wish to address the Council.

Jim DeLong appeared before Council relative to third grade.

Carolina Rodriguez completed a speaker card relative to tba and was recognized by Mayor Pro tem Bivens but was not present in the Council Chamber.

Bob Willoughby appeared before Council relative to general comments.

Adrian Smith appeared before Council relative to boa.

Moriah Garcia appeared before Council relative to our refugee neighbors.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Pro tem Bivens adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.