

CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL WORKSESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2020

Present:

Mayor Betsy Price
Mayor Pro tem Jungus Jordan, District 6
Council Member Carlos Flores, District 2
Council Member Brian Byrd, District 3
Council Member Cary Moon, District 4 (virtual)
Council Member Gyna Bivens, District 5 (virtual)
Council Member Dennis Shingleton, District 7
Council Member Kelly Allen Gray, District 8 (virtual)
Council Member Ann Zadeh, District 9 (virtual)

Staff Present:

David Cooke, City Manager
Sarah Fullenwider, City Attorney
Mary J. Kayser, City Secretary

With a quorum of the City Council Members present, Mayor Price called the Fort Worth City Council Work Session to order at 3:04 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4, 2020, in City Council Conference Room 290 of the Fort Worth City Hall, 200 Texas Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

1. Report of the City Manager - David Cooke, City Manager

a. Changes to the City Council Agenda

M&C 20-0495 will be continued for 30 days to September 15, 2020.

M&Cs 20-0482 and 20-0516 will be withdrawn from consent for speakers.

M&C 20-0486 will be continued to August 11, 2020, for correction.

M&C 20-0507 will be continued to August 18, 2020, for correction.

b. Upcoming and Recent Events

c. Organizational Updates and Employee Recognition(s)

Mayor Price recognized employees from TPW Stormwater and TPW Transportation Management.

Assistant City Manager Valerie Washington introduced William Rumuly as the new Municipal Court Director and she recognized Richard Zavala for his 25 years of service as a Park And Recreation Director.

d. Informal Reports

[20-10446](#) COVID-Vulnerable Permanent Supportive Housing - Tara Perez

[20-10447](#) FY21 Budget Public Engagement, Budget and Property Tax Setting Calendar, and Schedule of Meetings - Valerie Washington and Jan Hale

[20-10448](#) City of Fort Worth Fourth of July Operations - Chief Jim Davis

[20-10449](#) Conversion of Code Field Operations' Accounts Receivable Balances from Microfocus to Peoplesoft - Brandon Bennett

[20-10450](#) Game Room Update - Chris Mosley and Chief Ed Kraus

[20-10451](#) Health Plan Changes Communication - Brian Dickerson

[20-10452](#) Letter of Support to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board to Expand Foreign Trade Zone No. 196 Encompassing Alliance to Include 2660 Petty Place, Building 1 - Robert Sturns

[20-10453](#) Meet and Confer Agreement Negotiation Process - Jay Chapa

[20-10454](#) Department Update - Municipal Court Services - Valerie Washington and William Rumuly

[20-10455](#) Street Graphics - Tanya Brooks

[20-10456](#) The Appointments Project - Chelsea Adler

2. Current Agenda Items - City Council Members

3. Responses to Items Continued from a Previous Meeting

[M&C 20-0356](#) Authorize the Execution of a Successor Meet and Confer Agreement Between City of Fort Worth, Texas and Fort Worth Police Officers Association to Expire September 30, 2024 (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS) (Continued from a Previous Meeting)

Moving forward.

[M&C 20-0357](#) Authorize Execution of a Five-Year Tax Abatement Agreement with Mayra Estrada for the Construction of a Single-Family Dwelling of Approximately 1,045 Square Feet and Having a Cost of at Least \$96,000.00 on Property Located at 4229 S. Henderson Street in the Rosemont Neighborhood and Neighborhood Empowerment Zone and Reinvestment Zone Area Six (COUNCIL DISTRICT 9) (Continued from a Previous Meeting)

Moving forward.

[ZC-20-058](#) (CD8) Ron Winsett & Cool Anchor Properties, 2400 & 2412 E. Belknap Street; From: "O-1" Floodplain, "J" Medium Industrial To: "MU-2" High Intensity Mixed-Use 3.10 acres (Recommended for Denial due to a lack of 5 affirmative votes by the Zoning Commission) (Continued from a Previous Meeting)

Moving forward.

4. Overview of Significant Zoning Cases - Arty Wheaton-Rodriguez, Planning and Development

5. Update Related to COVID-19 Response and Recovery

- COVID-19 Updates and Data - Chief Jim Davis and Brandon Bennett, Code Compliance
- Proposals for Housing and Sheltering the Homeless During COVID-19 - Fernando Costa, City Manager's Office

- Budget Update - David Cooke, City Manager

6. Presentation of Interim Report of Expert Panel on Police Reform - Dr. Theron Bowman, The Bowman Group and Dr. Alejandro del Carmen, Delcarmen Consulting

Dr. Theron Bowman and Dr. Alex Del Carmen provided the interim report from the Police Department Expert Review Panel. The report covered Use of Force, Internal Affairs and Community Oversight. The panel expects their work on this phase will take an additional three months followed by a full report.

7. Presentation on COPS Hiring Program Grant - Chief Ed Kraus

Chief Kraus provided an overview of the COPS (Community Oriented Policing Services) hiring program grant. Fort Worth will use the grant to backfill 13 patrol positions. The City will provide matching funds from the CCPD budget. Positions will be filled starting October 1, 2020, following the graduation of Class 147.

8. Presentation of the Recommended Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Budget - David Cooke, City Manager

City Manager Cooke went over the Capital Budget and the tax rate for FY 21. The recommended tax rate for FY 21 will be \$0.7475. No change from FY 20.

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

Council Member Allen Gray requested a discussion on the Gun Violence program as part of the CCPD budget discussions.

Council Member Bivens requested a report on gaps in development that are leaving trees and quality development at risk.

There being no further business to come before the City Council Mayor Price adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.