

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2022

22-0010

SPECIAL CALLED QUALITY OF LIFE, ARTS, AND CULTURE  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL/VIDEO CONFERENCE  
COUNCILMEMBER ADAM BAZALDUA, PRESIDING

PRESENT: [6] Bazaldua, \*West, Arnold (\*\*3:36 p.m.), Blackmon, Narvaez, Ridley

ABSENT: [1] Thomas

The meeting was called to order at 3:32 p.m. with a quorum of the committee present.

The meeting agenda, posted in accordance with Chapter 551, "OPEN MEETINGS," of the Texas Government Code, was presented.

After all business properly brought before the committee had been considered, the meeting adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

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Chair

ATTEST:

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City Secretary Staff

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Date Approved

The agenda is attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT A.

The actions taken on each matter considered by the committee are attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT B.

The briefing materials are attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT C.

**\*Note: Members of the Committee participated in this meeting by video conference.**

**\*\* Note: Indicates arrival time after meeting called to order/reconvened.**

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EXHIBIT A

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**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

**QUALITY OF LIFE, ARTS, AND CULTURE**

**August 2, 2022**

**3:30 PM**

(For General Information and Rules of Courtesy, Please See Opposite Side.)

(La Información General Y Reglas De Cortesía Que Deben Observarse

Durante Las Asambleas Del Consejo Municipal Aparecen En El Lado Opuesto, Favor De Leerlas.)

## **General Information**

The Dallas City Council regularly meets on Wednesdays beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 6th floor, City Hall, 1500 Marilla. Council agenda meetings are broadcast live on WRR-FM radio (101.1 FM) and on Time Warner City Cable Channel 16. Briefing meetings are held the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Council agenda (voting) meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays. Anyone wishing to speak at a meeting should sign up with the City Secretary's Office by calling (214) 670-3738 by 5:00 p.m. of the last regular business day preceding the meeting. Citizens can find out the name of their representative and their voting district by calling the City Secretary's Office.

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## **Rules of Courtesy**

City Council meetings bring together citizens of many varied interests and ideas. To insure fairness and orderly meetings, the Council has adopted rules of courtesy which apply to all members of the Council, administrative staff, news media, citizens and visitors. These procedures provide:

- That no one shall delay or interrupt the proceedings, or refuse to obey the orders of the presiding officer.
- All persons should refrain from private conversation, eating, drinking and smoking while in the Council Chamber.
- Posters or placards must remain outside the Council Chamber.
- No cellular phones or audible beepers allowed in Council Chamber while City Council is in session.

"Citizens and other visitors attending City Council meetings shall observe the same rules of propriety, decorum and good conduct applicable to members of the City Council. Any person making personal, impertinent, profane or slanderous remarks or who becomes boisterous while addressing the City Council or while

## **Información General**

El Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad de Dallas se reúne regularmente los miércoles en la Cámara del Ayuntamiento en el sexto piso de la Alcaldía, 1500 Marilla, a las 9 de la mañana. Las reuniones informativas se llevan a cabo el primer y tercer miércoles del mes. Estas audiencias se transmiten en vivo por la estación de radio WRR-FM 101.1 y por cablevisión en la estación *Time Warner City Cable* Canal 16. El Ayuntamiento Municipal se reúne en el segundo y cuarto miércoles del mes para tratar asuntos presentados de manera oficial en la agenda para su aprobación. Toda persona que desee hablar durante la asamblea del Ayuntamiento, debe inscribirse llamando a la Secretaría Municipal al teléfono (214) 670-3738, antes de las 5:00 pm del último día hábil anterior a la reunión. Para enterarse del nombre de su representante en el Ayuntamiento Municipal y el distrito donde usted puede votar, favor de llamar a la Secretaría Municipal.

Intérpretes para personas con impedimentos auditivos están disponibles si lo solicita con 48 horas de anticipación llamando al (214) 670-5208 (aparato auditivo V/TDD). La Ciudad de Dallas se esfuerza por cumplir con el decreto que protege a las personas con impedimentos, *Americans with Disabilities Act*. **La agenda del Ayuntamiento está disponible en formatos alternos si lo solicita.**

Si tiene preguntas sobre esta agenda, o si desea hacer comentarios o presentar quejas con respecto a servicios de la Ciudad, llame al 311.

## **Reglas de Cortesía**

Las asambleas del Ayuntamiento Municipal reúnen a ciudadanos de diversos intereses e ideologías. Para asegurar la imparcialidad y el orden durante las asambleas, el Ayuntamiento ha adoptado ciertas reglas de cortesía que aplican a todos los miembros del Ayuntamiento, al personal administrativo, personal de los medios de comunicación, a los ciudadanos, y a visitantes. Estos reglamentos establecen lo siguiente:

- Ninguna persona retrasará o interrumpirá los procedimientos, o se negará a obedecer las órdenes del oficial que preside la asamblea.
- Todas las personas deben abstenerse de entablar conversaciones, comer, beber y fumar dentro de la cámara del Ayuntamiento.
- Anuncios y pancartas deben permanecer fuera de la cámara del Ayuntamiento.
- No se permite usar teléfonos celulares o enlaces electrónicos (*paggers*) audibles en la cámara del Ayuntamiento durante audiencias del Ayuntamiento Municipal

"Los ciudadanos y visitantes presentes durante las

attending the City Council meeting shall be removed from the room if the sergeant-at-arms is so directed by the presiding officer, and the person shall be barred from further audience before the City Council during that session of the City Council. If the presiding officer fails to act, any member of the City Council may move to require enforcement of the rules, and the affirmative vote of a majority of the City Council shall require the presiding officer to act." Section 3.3(c) of the City Council Rules of Procedure.

asambleas del Ayuntamiento Municipal deben de obedecer las mismas reglas de comportamiento, decoro y buena conducta que se aplican a los miembros del Ayuntamiento Municipal. Cualquier persona que haga comentarios impertinentes, utilice vocabulario obsceno o difamatorio, o que al dirigirse al Ayuntamiento lo haga en forma escandalosa, o si causa disturbio durante la asamblea del Ayuntamiento Municipal, será expulsada de la cámara si el oficial que este presidiendo la asamblea así lo ordena. Además, se le prohibirá continuar participando en la audiencia ante el Ayuntamiento Municipal. Si el oficial que preside la asamblea no toma acción, cualquier otro miembro del Ayuntamiento Municipal puede tomar medidas para hacer cumplir las reglas establecidas, y el voto afirmativo de la mayoría del Ayuntamiento Municipal precisara al oficial que este presidiendo la sesión a tomar acción." Según la sección 3.3 (c) de las reglas de procedimientos del Ayuntamiento.

## **Handgun Prohibition Notice for Meetings of Governmental Entities**

"Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun."

*"De acuerdo con la sección 30.06 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistol oculta), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola oculta."*

"Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly."

*"De acuerdo con la sección 30.07 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola a la vista), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola a la vista."*

**AGENDA  
SPECIAL CALLED  
QUALITY OF LIFE, ARTS, AND CULTURE  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2022  
3:30 P.M.**

The Council Quality of Life, Arts, and Culture Special Called meeting will be held by videoconference and in the Council Chambers, City Hall.

The public is encouraged to attend the meeting virtually; however, City Hall is available for those wishing to attend the meeting in person following all current pandemic-related public health protocols.

The following videoconference link is available to the public to listen to the meeting and Public Affairs and Outreach will also stream the City Council Briefing on Spectrum Cable Channel 95 and [bit.ly/cityofdallastv](https://bit.ly/cityofdallastv):

<https://dallascityhall.webex.com/dallascityhall/j.php?MTID=mf5ed27dda21532dc2c2c31659c9c332d>

**CALL TO ORDER**

**BRIEFING / DISCUSSION ITEM**

- A. Consideration of protection of reproduction rights for Dallas residents

Adjournment

NOTE: A revised order of business may be posted prior to the date of the council meeting if necessary.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE**

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

1. seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.071]
2. deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.072]
3. deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the city if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.073]
4. deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.074]
5. deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.076]
6. discussing or deliberating commercial or financial information that the city has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the city and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; or deliberating the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. [Tex Govt. Code §551.087]
7. deliberating security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology, network security information, or the deployment or specific occasions for implementations of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. [Tex Govt. Code §551.089]

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EXHIBIT B

OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

AUGUST 2, 2022

BRIEFING/DISCUSSION ITEM

Item A: Consideration of protection of reproduction rights for Dallas residents

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Narvaez moved to forward the item with recommendation to city council on August 10, 2022.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Ridley and unanimously adopted.

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EXHIBIT C

**COUNCIL CHAMBER**

\_\_\_\_\_ [DATE] \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS**, the City of Dallas honors the right of pregnant persons to bodily autonomy and control over their private medical decisions; and

**WHEREAS**, access to safe and legal abortion is a major factor in the long-term health, safety, and quality of life of pregnant people; and

**WHEREAS**, the Supreme Court of the United States has overturned the landmark ruling, *Roe v. Wade*, which previously prevented individual states from directly banning such care; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 16, 2021, Texas Governor Greg Abbott signed into law HB 1280, which criminalizes abortion at the level of a first-degree felony, carrying a sentence of up to 99 years in prison, with no exceptions for rape and incest, which Act will take effect statewide 30 days after *Roe v. Wade* is overturned; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 8, 2022, President Joe Biden signed an executive order on protecting access to reproductive healthcare services;

**WHEREAS**, people have a basic human right to medical treatment, up to and including abortion; and

**WHEREAS**, eliminating legal access to abortion has been empirically proven to dramatically increase the risk of death, bodily injury, and infertility, while doing little to reduce the incidence of abortion; and

**WHEREAS**, the resources of the city must always be dedicated to the health, safety, and wellbeing of its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, in the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* majority opinion, Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun stated, “[The] right of privacy, whether it be founded in the Fourteenth Amendment’s concept of personal liberty and restrictions upon state action, as we feel it is, or, as the District Court determined, in the Ninth Amendment’s reservation of rights to the people, is broad enough to encompass a woman’s decision whether or not to terminate her pregnancy”; and

**WHEREAS**, the right to privacy should protect doctors, patients, and all others involved in care from any criminal investigation, as long as those decisions occur without coercion, force, or negligence; and

**WHEREAS**, equitable access to abortion care requires financial and logistical support, most often provided by abortion funds and practical support organizations who have been targeted for providing these services; and

**WHEREAS**, the city has a responsibility to protect its residents from any violation of their human rights and any prosecution for the free exercise thereof.

**Now, Therefore,**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the City Council of the City of Dallas formally condemns any action intended to abrogate the fundamental liberties of its people and affirms its commitment to protecting people's right to make reproductive health decisions for themselves and their families, including abortion care.

**SECTION 2.** That it is the policy of the City of Dallas that, except to the extent otherwise required by state or federal law or as stated in Section 3, city resources, including, for example, funds, personnel, or hardware will not be used to:

(a) Create any record of any information related to an individual seeking abortion, having a miscarriage, or any other event that could be prosecuted as a violation of state law criminalizing or creating civil liability for pregnancy outcomes;

(b) Provide information to anyone about pregnancy outcomes, unless such information is provided to defend the patient's right to reproductive care, including abortion care, or the healthcare provider's right to provide such care; and

(c) Conduct surveillance or use any electronic surveillance device, hardware, or software that is capable of collecting, capturing, recording, retaining, processing, intercepting, analyzing, monitoring, or sharing audio, visual, digital, location, thermal, biometric, behavioral, or similar information or communications specifically associated with, or capable of being associated with, any specific individual or group; or any system, device, or vehicle that is equipped with an electronic surveillance device, hardware, or software for the purpose of determining whether an abortion has occurred, except for the collection of aggregated data without personally identifying information or personal health information for purposes unrelated to criminal investigation, enforcement, or prosecution.

**SECTION 3.** That the policy stated in Section 2 does not apply in cases of conduct that is either intentionally or criminally negligent to the health of the pregnant person seeking care or where coercion or force is used against the pregnant person.

**SECTION 4.** That it is the further policy of the city that investigation of or support for the prosecution of any allegation, charge, or information relating to a pregnancy outcome or any party thereto will be the lowest priority for enforcement and the use or assignment of resources and personnel, except in cases of conduct that is intentionally or criminally negligent to the health of the pregnant person seeking care, where coercion or force is used against the pregnant person, or where the pregnancy outcome is not the crime being investigated but evidence of another crime, such as sexual assault.

**SECTION 5.** The City Manager is directed to take appropriate steps to implement this resolution and to provide an oral presentation and written report to City Council on the implementation of this resolution, including changes to policies and procedures, by \_\_\_\_, 2022, and to provide a written report to City Council on the implementation of this resolution by \_\_\_\_, 2022. The City Manager may return to the City Council for authorization of any needed policy clarifications or changes in the event of future changes to federal law, state law, or technology that affect this resolution.

**SECTION 6.** That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.