

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE June 30, 2021

TO Honorable Members of the Dallas City Council

SUBJECT City Council Committees

Dear Colleagues:

During your inauguration earlier this month, I discussed the critical issues facing the people of Dallas, especially as we emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic. In doing so, I laid out our agenda for the next two years.

First, as policymakers, we must ensure city government gets back to basics. That means prioritizing public safety, including fixing the 911 call center, correcting issues with permitting, ensuring our sanitation services are efficient and on-schedule, and reforming and modernizing our ethics code, especially in light of the recent federal corruption trial involving former Dallas City Councilmembers.

At the same time, we also must continue the important work of the last two years and build for the future through our economic, environmental, transportation, and workforce planning.

This work will be done primarily through our Dallas City Council committees. There is no time to waste at this momentous point in our city's history. Accordingly, I am hereby making the committee assignments listed below for the 2021-2023 Dallas City Council term. These assignments are effective immediately.

In addition to the below assignments, I am assigning Mayor Pro Tem Chad West the responsibility of assisting me with ensuring that the city manager implements our Back to Basics agenda immediately. While Mayor Pro Tem is, by definition, predominantly a ceremonial role, I believe our Back to Basics agenda is important enough to warrant enlisting the Mayor Pro Tem in our efforts to hold our city government accountable for achieving results on behalf of the people of Dallas.

## **Economic Development**

Tennell Atkins (Chair)  
Carolyn King Arnold (Vice Chair)  
Adam McGough  
Omar Narvaez  
Jaime Resendez  
Chad West  
Gay Donnell Willis

## **Environment & Sustainability**

Paula Blackmon (Chair)  
Paul Ridley (Vice Chair)  
Carolyn King Arnold  
Adam Bazaldua  
Jaime Resendez  
Jaynie Schultz  
Chad West

## **Government Performance & Financial Management**

Cara Mendelsohn (Chair)  
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Tennell Atkins  
Adam Bazaldua  
Adam McGough  
Paul Ridley  
Chad West

## **Housing & Homelessness Solutions**

Casey Thomas (Chair)  
Jesse Moreno (Vice Chair)  
Carolyn King Arnold  
Paula Blackmon  
Cara Mendelsohn  
Paul Ridley  
Jaynie Schultz

## **Public Safety**

Adam McGough (Chair)  
Cara Mendelsohn (Vice Chair)  
Tennell Atkins  
Jesse Moreno  
Jaime Resendez  
Casey Thomas  
Gay Donnell Willis

## **Quality of Life, Arts, & Culture**

Adam Bazaldua (Chair)  
Chad West (Vice Chair)  
Carolyn King Arnold  
Paula Blackmon  
Omar Narvaez  
Paul Ridley  
Casey Thomas

## **Transportation & Infrastructure**

Omar Narvaez (Chair)  
Tennell Atkins (Vice Chair)  
Adam Bazaldua  
Cara Mendelsohn  
Jesse Moreno  
Jaynie Schultz  
Gay Donnell Willis

## **Workforce, Education, & Equity**

Jaynie Schultz (Chair)  
Casey Thomas (Vice Chair)  
Paula Blackmon  
Adam McGough  
Jesse Moreno  
Omar Narvaez  
Jaime Resendez

**Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Recovery & Assistance**

Casey Thomas (Chair)  
Tennell Atkins  
Cara Mendelsohn  
Jesse Moreno  
Paul Ridley

**Ad Hoc Committee on General Investigating & Ethics**

Cara Mendelsohn (Chair)  
Tennell Atkins  
Paula Blackmon  
Adam McGough  
Jaynie Schultz

**Ad Hoc Committee on Judicial Nominations**

Jaime Resendez (Chair)  
Carolyn King Arnold  
Adam Bazaldua  
Paul Ridley  
Casey Thomas  
Chad West  
Gay Donnell Willis

**Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs**

Tennell Atkins (Chair)  
Adam McGough  
Cara Mendelsohn  
Omar Narvaez  
Gay Donnell Willis

Working together through these committees, we will push our city government to provide reliable and effective basic city services for our mutual constituents and better position Dallas to reach its full potential.

In the weeks ahead, I plan to follow up with committee chairs about our common agenda for the next two years. Until then, have a great Fourth of July weekend.

Sincerely,



Eric Johnson  
Mayor

Cc: T.C. Broadnax, City Manager  
Chris Caso, City Attorney  
Biliera Johnson, City Secretary  
Mark Swann, City Auditor