

**CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**

**JULY 28, 2020**

The City Council of the City of McKinney, Texas met in special session in the McKinney City Hall Council Chambers, 222 N. Tennessee Street, McKinney, Texas, on Tuesday, July 28, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting was broadcast live on cable television and through the City's website on Spectrum Channel 16; AT&T U-Verse Channel 99; and online at <http://mckinney.legistar.com>.

Mayor George C. Fuller called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. upon determining a quorum of the Council was present, consisting of himself and the

- following members: La'Shadion Shemwell..... District 1  
Rainey Rogers, Mayor Pro Tempore..... District 2  
Scott Elliott ..... District 3  
Rick Franklin ..... District 4  
Charlie Philips ..... At Large  
Frederick Frazier ..... At Large

City of McKinney Staff Present: City Manager Paul Grimes, Assistant City Manager Kim Flom, Assistant City Manager Kim Flom, Assistant City Manager Steve Tilton, City Attorney Mark Houser, Executive Director of Development Services Michael Quint, Director of Planning Jennifer Arnold, Assistant Director of Planning Mark Doty, Police Chief Greg Conley, Assistant Police Chief Joe Ellenburg, Police Lieutenant Randy Meyer, Police Sergeant Farrel Ritchie, Police Officer Kevin Moore, Police Detective Russ Goetz, Police Officer Jesse Vasquez, Police Officer Derrick Byrd, Police Officer James Lopez, Police Officer Cherie Silas, Strategic Services Manager Trevor Minyard, City Secretary Records Specialist Juametta Terrell, City Secretary Administrative Assistant Blenda Sims, City Secretary Empress Drane

There were approximately seventy-five (75) members of the public present.

Mayor Fuller called for the agenda items:

- 20-0635** Presentation on Air Service and Related Airport Improvements at McKinney National Airport by Pegasus Associates, Inc.

The following representatives for Pegasus Associates, Inc., were in attendance to support of the item: Marvin Bradshaw, Joe Dealey, David Welber, Peter Ramstedt, Neil Albrecht, Todd Graham, and Jim Auderson

**20-0626** Consider/Discuss/Act on a Resolution Authorizing the Creation of an Ad Hoc Throckmorton Statue Advisory Board to Oversee Staff and Expert Research Related to the Throckmorton Statue Located on City-Owned Property; and Providing for an Effective Date

The following individuals spoke regarding the item:

Rolanda Mocharia, no address provided

Misty Hook, McKinney TX 75072

Elizabeth Michel, 6205 Eaglestone Drive, McKinney TX 75070

Tammy Warren, 3109 Westview Dr., McKinney TX 75070

Dan Chandler, 18208 Preston Rd., Dallas TX 75252

Jolie Williams, 3613, McKinney TX 75072

Kenneth Holloway, 10708 Patton Dr., McKinney TX 75072

Jennifer Yoch, 700 The Trails Dr., Blue Ridge TX 75424

Bob Smith, 506 N. Church, McKinney TX 75069

Cathy Tamez, 5100 W. Eldorado Pkwy, McKinney TX 75070

Tamara Johnson, PO Box 2514, McKinney TX 75070

W. Owens X, no address provided

Eric Schulze, no address provided

Chenika Bryant, no address provided

Kimberly Loyd, 1304 W. Louisiana, McKinney TX 75069

Sean Howe, 4209 Hawkins Drive, McKinney TX

Joshua Murray, 1762 Lake Rd., Lavon TX 75166

Debra Mendoza, 3191 Medical Center, McKinney TX 75069

Sheila Simmons, PO Box 1773, McKinney TX 75069

Carman Marshall, 2328 Glenhaven Dr., McKinney TX 75071

Leroy Strong Cloud, no address provided

Colandra Ashley, 705 Watt St., McKinney TX 75069

Lindsey Johnson, 3404 Needlewood Ln., McKinney TX 75070

Daniel Bernal, 1000 Patricia Ct., McKinney TX 75069

Some individuals present did not wish to speak but requested their written comment be documented in the meeting record. See Minutes Appendix A – Written Comments Submitted in Person.

Some individuals not present at the meeting submitted written comments through the online comments form or by email. See Minutes Appendix B – Written Comments Submitted Online or by Email.

Council approved the motion by Mayor George Fuller, seconded by Council Member Rick Franklin, to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Creation of an Ad Hoc Throckmorton Statue Advisory Board to Oversee Staff and Expert Research Related to the Throckmorton Statue Located on City-Owned Property; and Providing for an Effective Date with a vote of 6 - 1 - 0, La'Shadion Shemwell voting no. Resolution caption reads as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-07-096 (R)**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF AN AD HOC THROCKMORTON STATUE ADVISORY BOARD TO OVERSEE STAFF AND EXPERT RESEARCH RELATED TO THE THROCKMORTON STATUE LOCATED ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

Mayor Fuller called for Public Comments regarding non-agenda items.

The following individual spoke regarding the swimming pool access and discount pricing for senior citizens:

Irene Lam, 4316 Beaver Run, McKinney TX 75072

Mayor Fuller called for Council & Manager Comments.

Council Member La'Shadion Shemwell acknowledged the birthdays of McKinney resident Frances Norris (90 years old) and his grandfather who turned 71 years old; and spoke regarding racial issues, community engagement, and Council action, in light of the Throckmorton Statue issue.

Council Member Scott Elliott recommended that City Council Work Session occurring on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 3:00 p.m. should be re-scheduled to 6:00 p.m. when that meeting is changed to be a Special Meeting for Council action. This would support the opportunity for Public comments on items with Council action.

Mayor Fuller addressed Citizen Comments regarding recent protests about the Throckmorton Statue, his subsequent commentary, racial issues and community engagement.

Mayor Fuller called for Executive Session at 5:55 p.m., in accordance with the Texas Government Code:

A. Section 551.071(2) Consultations with Attorney on any Work Session, Special Session, or Regular Session agenda item requiring confidential attorney/client advice necessitated by the deliberation or discussion of said items (as needed)

B. Section 551.071 (A) Pending or contemplated litigation

- City of McKinney, Texas v. Vincent R. Damiano and Betty J. Damiano, in the County Court at Law No. 6, Collin County, Texas

C. Section 551.072. Deliberations about Real Property

D. Section 551.074. Personnel Matters

E. Section 551.087. Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Matters

The Council returned from the Executive Session at 5:57 p.m., acting on the item discussed in Executive Session.

Council unanimously approved the motion by Council Member La'Shadion Shemwell, seconded by Council Member Scott Elliott, to approve the settlement for the item discussed in Executive Session.

Council unanimously approved the motion by Mayor Pro Tem Rainey Rogers, seconded by Council Member Charlie Philips to adjourn the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

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GEORGE C. FULLER  
Mayor of McKinney, Texas

ATTEST:

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EMPRESS DRANE  
McKinney City Secretary

✓ **Request to Speak Before McKinney City Council**

Date 7-28-20

(Print) Full Name Natalie Bossert Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address 5324 Creech St. City Richardson Zip 75248

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Public Comments for items ON THE AGENDA**

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**Public Comments for items NOT ON THE AGENDA**

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**Submit a Comment without Speaking**

I do not wish to speak; however, please record my  SUPPORT FOR  OPPOSITION AGAINST

Topic of Discussion: 20-0626 - Just remove Statue

✓ **Request to Speak Before McKinney City Council**

Date 7/28/20

(Print) Full Name Christopher Gaspard Phone 469-324-8320

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Topic of Discussion: Removal of Throckmorton Statue

**Request to Speak Before McKinney City Council**

Date: 7/28/20

(Print) Full Name Beth Kellen Phone 214(649)4552

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Email \_\_\_\_\_

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Topic of Discussion: Remove Thrackmorton statue

**Request to Speak Before McKinney City Council**

Date: 7-28-20

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Topic of Discussion: 20-0526 Forming a committee

Removal of statue

✓ **Request to Speak Before McKinney City Council**

Date 7/28/20

(Print) Full Name Amy Watkins Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address 1122 Philip Dr. City Allen Zip 75013

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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Topic of Discussion: removing Throckmorton statue

MINUTES APPENDIX B  
Written Comments Submitted Online or by Email



**Empress Drane**

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**From:** noreply@civicplus.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2020 12:15 PM  
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### Citizen Comments

My comment is for the: McKinney City Council

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Date of Meeting: 7/28/2020

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My public comments are for an item ON the Agenda

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Agenda Item # 20-0626

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Support or Oppose Agenda Item? Support

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Comments Regarding appointment of this committee please include at least one member of the McKinney Historic Neighborhood Association.

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Support or Oppose Agenda Item? Support

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#### Comments

I support the creation of a temporary committee of citizens to research and recommend action regarding the Throckmorton statue. The only way McKinney can get a sense of the entire community's sentiment surrounding the statue would be with citizen participation and deliberation—a democratic process.

If the constituents of District 1 have objected to the statue and repeatedly asked their representative to work to get it taken down during his three years in office, and he has only started addressing those concerns now, that's a sign of a poor leader. And, his lack of leadership on council is one of the reasons why nearly 600 registered voters in his district signed the petition to have him recalled in November.

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### Citizen Comments

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Date of Meeting: 7/28/2020

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Agenda Item # Throckmorton Statue

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Support or Oppose Agenda Item? Oppose

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Comments Please do not allow this statue to be taken down without the tax payers have a chance to vote on this. The majority of the downtown community totally oppose this effort to take away our history!

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Agenda Item # 20-0626

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Support or Oppose Agenda Item? Support

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#### Comments

“Thank you for bringing it here,” Fuller says. “I’m honored that you showed up and that it’s peaceful ... there is a racial divide. A racial disparity across the country. “ Those were your words Mayor Fuller. However, Mayor Fuller, throughout the past week you shared lies. Some may not see your lies for the racism that they are, but we do. Your lies are the ones that led to armed individuals waiting for us after the meeting last week. Your lies are the same ones that have led to the death of countless black individuals. Your lies are the same as those that have been told for centuries. That blacks are “dangerous.” That we only want to start trouble. That we’re a threat.

Yet, you were “honored” to be in the presence of these same citizens weeks ago?

What do you want the citizens of your city to think? When you

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keep a symbol of hatred and racism raised on a podium what do you want your citizens to think? When your citizens call for the death of all the black individuals present here today, what do you want your citizens to think?

Because Mayor Fuller is you're so honored to be around us then hear us. Remove the symbol of racism, oppression, and injustice you have up. That's how you can honor the black citizens of Mckinney.

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### Citizen Comments

My comment is for the: McKinney City Council

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Support or Oppose Agenda Item? Oppose

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Comments Wake up council people. This is not about statues or monuments. This is about socialism and marxism taking over our country. It does not stop at monuments.

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### Citizen Comments

My comment is for the: McKinney City Council

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Date of Meeting: 7/28/2020

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My public comments are for an item: NOT on the Agenda

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I wish to comment about: Throckmorton Statue

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Comments: I join my voice to those who demand this topic to be brought before the citizenry, let us vote on it. I am not even questioning whether keeping it is right or wrong, but something like this should be decided by the citizens of McKinney and not by foreign pressure. We should be free to decide the issues of our city. Thanks

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Agenda Item # #20-0626

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Support or Oppose Agenda Item? Oppose

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Comments This statue is a piece of our history. History is not changed or erased by the removal of any reference in books, or monuments. It is dangerous to forget history. Instead, we should LEARN, remember, and strive to rise above. No man in history was perfect. If we tore down every statue of an imperfect man or woman, we would have none left. Congressmen Shemwell is dangerous, and he is being a bully. He needs to be recalled.

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Support or Oppose Agenda Item? Oppose

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#### Comments

McKinney residents should have the opportunity to vote on whether this statue is to be removed or not. It should not be up to a specific group that is protesting for its removal, especially those who do not currently live in McKinney. Also, putting together a group to study and decide about the statue, to the tune of \$500,000, is a gross misuse of tax payer dollars.

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### Citizen Comments

My comment is for the: McKinney City Council

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Agenda Item # Throckmorton statue removal

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Support or Oppose Agenda Item? Oppose

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Comments Mayor Fuller,

What a time to be the Mayor.

No decision made is a good one.

You can't please everyone so you make the best decision at the time to do what you believe is right.

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Does a bad decision erase every good decision? I would hope not.

If it were to turn out that masking McKinney led to higher numbers and even the cause for a loss of a loved one, were you not looking at things for the whole of the community, looking to do what you thought was right in the time with the information, resources, and personal experience that brought you to the decision?

You know I am referring to James Throckmorton, a man who lived his life serving. He lived a life of service and was voted in, time after time, to represent the people he served. When he represented this area most agreed with the positions he took for whatever reasons. When the time came, he also stood in the middle and brought it all together. This should be enough to keep, and not remove a piece of history from our square. The statue is cool showing how old McKinney is, Prosper doesn't have one, Celina doesn't have one. We do!! It's History, something we can NEVER get back!

Please don't vote it away.

If it's possible to let the people decide, what better way to do it? Voting is around their corner. Let the people decide.

I am against removing McKinney's history.

Please, add my comment to the meeting and if you have time, please read it.

Jeannie Regan

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Agenda Item # #20-0626

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Comments Removing statues and erasing history is one of the Communist rules for taking over America and there must be opposed. Council-Member Shemwell is a communist who loves unrest and violence and is BAD for McKinney and must be censured and removed from office.

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Agenda Item # 20-0626

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Comments To The City Council of McKinney,

As a member of McKinney Cares FaceBook Page it has come to my attention that there has been much acrimony from many citizen over the Throckmorton statue in downtown. It seems to me that the burden of choice to remove the statue should not fall on the shoulders of the City Council or a special committee. The public out rage is to high. It is my request that this burden of choice be put back in the hands of the people. Call a vote of the people this matter in the November election. The vote is paramount to really seeing how the community feels about the subject. Sean Nance, Admin of McKinney Cares, has already done this with a poll on the FaceBook site, and considering the nature of recent city council meeting it seems to be the best way to solve the issue. Most of all this would take away all

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agitators from both sides, who are not citizens of McKinney,  
and let Our Community As A Whole SPEAK to the issue  
without being shouted down.

Please Let the People Speak!

With Regard and Thanks,

Jordan

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Agenda Item # Throckmorton Statue

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Comments Mayor, if we cave in to the far left demands there is no guarantee it will stop them from demanding more. We just cannot say this will stop their protests, how much are we giving up? Please do not remove the statue, and if it is decided then is should be down to the people of mckkinney to decide not some council member who is being payed to destroy US history.

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Comments In regards to the Throckmorton statue, I believe ALI McKinney residents should have a say in whether it is to be removed or not. I do not believe that a small group of people, even if it is the City Council members, should get to decide for entirety of McKinney. Before any taxpayer dollars are spent, it should be put on the ballot in November.

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#### Comments

I suggest that we address the ACTUAL issues at hand behind the racial divide in our city. This is not about a statue, and it will not end at a statue if we bow to these BLM communist threats and demands. We need our leaders to protect the actual citizens and our American freedom and history before we end up like Portland. Shemwell is a lying, riot-inciting domestic terrorist seeking violent and defamatory measures against the very citizens who are seeking to HELP the black community and take peaceful empowerment actions of equality that he has NEVER done for the people he claims to represent. Our citizens are terrified to attend meetings or speak up because of this bullying, and Shemwell's people are sending threats and going to the homes of citizens who speak freely. What are the rest of you going to do about it?

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Comments It is ridiculous to remove our history!

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Comments Please do NOT remove the statue. McKinney is my hometown

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Agenda Item # Throckmorton statue

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Comments I would like to see the issue of whether or not to remove the Throckmorton statue be presented to the voters/citizens of McKinney for a vote. I don't think something this important should be decided by a handful of people on the city council.

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The online system would not allow me to place the entirety of my comments online. Please add these, my comments to the public hearing agenda item to be discussed on TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2020.

**Mr. Mayor and Council, I would have shown up for today's meeting, but unfortunately, the political climate has not made it possible for me to feel safe in attending a city council meeting. The week before last, one of our city council members phoned in a threat to a local citizen that was aimed at me. A police report was filed by the third party and it was determined that the threat did not meet the criminal definition needed to warrant a criminal investigation, but none-the-less, it was a warning, that has been documented and one that I take very seriously.**

**We are here today to discuss the creation of a Diversity Council and I have already gone on record as supporting the idea and endeavor to create such a Council or Commission. I have also gone on record as saying the Statue should be removed from its present place of prominence on the McKinney Square.**

**I will also say one other thing. No man should be judged by one or two events or positions one may take in his or her life span, overlooking any other good things, done. That is what we are doing here and if that is the standard by which we judge others in their public service, then so be it.**

**Let the record show, Mr. Mayor, that some of us have willingly overlooked the past criminal conduct of one city council members sitting with us today, because we once saw hope in his endeavors and he assured us that he was a changed man. We have come to expect much of our elected leaders. Some raise to the occasion and some do not. Sadly, Governor Throckmorton did not and in my honest opinion, neither has Mr. Shemwell. Both, should be removed from their positions of prominence. What's good for the goose is good for the gander.**

**Our community has a lot of issues that need to be addressed and to see it divided over this statue, when there is so much more to be accomplished, says a lot to me and many others as well.**

**To those who wish for a more speedier resolution as relates to the Governor Throckmorton statue, I see and feel your concerns. Yes, this elective body can vote now to have the statue removed, but in doing so, they run the risk of alienating opposing voices who may also want to be heard, outside of this public hearing. I applaud the Mayor for proposing a work around solution that involves citizens looking at the Statue issue, and other issues of cultural diversity, as well.**

**Rainy Rogers asked a very good question on July 7th. "Why has no one said anything before now?" La'Shadion's response was that he was afraid that someone might say, "There goes that black city councilman again."**

**Mr. Shemwell has never been shy about social justice issues, so I'm happy to see him finally stepping up to the plate. Too bad he didn't say anything about the Statue when making his Black State of Emergency proclamation last**

year. . .but it's understandable, it wasn't important enough to mention last year and he didn't want to be tagged as making an issue out of it. So I guess, being late is better than never.

All is well and these conclude my public remarks. Thank you.

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I oppose and ask that the Council tables this item until such date as our city is not in economic crisis from the Coronavirus Pandemic. Statue cannot be removed by force per President Trump's recent EO. Therefore, the legal options left are to (1) leave it alone at no cost; (2) add context at minimal cost, and no committee is needed for that; or (3) remove/move it, which I believe is what the committee will most likely study. The cost to move/remove a statue are too high, starting at \$100,000 all the way up to \$450,000. I have the breakdown that I would like to share with the council. But this cost is too high at this time in our city's history. I know that the citizens of McKinney would not agree to spending such an exorbitant amount of money to remove/move this statue when so many of our businesses are hurting. I suggest we Table this item, and if citizens still want to move forward they should raise private funds to do so.

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I wish to comment about: Statue and Shemwell

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#### Comments

Read aloud at meeting. Statue should stay!  
They call it divisive, yet they gather around it several times for hrs. They say it hurts their feelings, yet I haven't seen any tears. If a pc of rock and stone causes distress explaining our states history, you need therapy.

This group of Shemwells yells and screams at citizens. They threaten them and call them white Supremacist if they don't agree. They get in peoples faces screaming to hit them. They incite violence if we don't cave to their demands. That's a terrorist.

Shemwell wants to destroy the black people in our community. He is not for them. He makes them look unruly, full of rage,hate and like racist. This vile man is not even from McKinney yet tries to pretend he knows what's best for our community.

Explain to me why we are even considering this wasteful

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spending in times like these? How is spending hundreds of thousands of dollars going to help district one. It is not the government's job to protect feelings, but it is their job to be responsible with the cities funds. This is a horrible time to even discuss such frivolous spending when people are hungry, without jobs or losing businesses.

It is up to this council to choose common sense over emotions. It is up to this council to hold Shemwell responsible for the terror he continues to spread in our community. Leave the statue and take down Shemwell. He is the true racist full of hate and demise. He not only hates white people but black people too!

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Comments Get Shemwell off of our council

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