

## In the Court of Appeals Second Appellate District of Texas at Fort Worth

No. 02-22-00104-CV

TIM BOTHE, Appellant

V.

CITY OF FORT WORTH, Appellees

On Appeal from the 96th District Court Tarrant County, Texas Trial Court No. 096-D31111-22

Before Sudderth, C.J.; Kerr and Walker, JJ. Memorandum Opinion by Justice Walker

## **MEMORANDUM OPINION**

In what we have construed as a notice of appeal, Appellant Tim Bothe filed a letter with the clerk of this court seeking to dispute "the total amount due for delinquent taxes" related to a lawsuit still in its initial stages before the trial court. *See Warwick Towers Council of Co-Owners ex rel. St. Paul Fire & Marine Ins. Co. v. Park Warwick, L.P.*, 244 S.W.3d 838, 839 (Tex. 2008) ("Our consistent policy has been to apply rules of procedure liberally to reach the merits of the appeal whenever possible.") Because the trial court has yet to sign any orders in the lawsuit, we notified Appellant of our concern that his appeal was premature. *See* Tex. R. App. P. 26.1, 27.1(a). We informed appellant that the appeal would be dismissed for want of jurisdiction if none of the parties could furnish us with an appealable order within twenty days. No such order has been furnished.

Unless specifically authorized by statute, appeals may be taken only from final judgments. *Tex. A & M Univ. Sys. v. Koseoglu*, 233 S.W.3d 835, 840–41 (Tex. 2007). Because there have yet to be any judgments signed in the case below, we are not authorized to proceed on this appeal. *Id.* Accordingly, we dismiss Appellant's appeal for want of jurisdiction. Tex. R. App. P. 42.3(a).

/s/ Brian Walker

Brian Walker Justice

Delivered: May 26, 2022