

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS, TEXAS**

MARCH 18, 2025

STATE OF TEXAS *

COUNTIES OF DALLAS AND ELLIS *

CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS *

On the 18th day of March 2025, the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, met in the City Hall, City Council Chambers, located at 1938-C South Hampton Road, Glenn Heights, Texas, 75154, with the following members present:

CITY COUNCIL:

Sonja A. Brown	*	Mayor
Cornel Benford II	*	Mayor Pro Tem
Sherron Mosley	*	Council Member, Place 1
Harry A. Garrett	*	Council Member, Place 2
Travis Bruton	*	Council Member, Place 3
Stephanne Hale	*	Council Member, Place 4
Laymon Lightfoot	*	Council Member, Place 5

STAFF:

Clifford Blackwell	*	City Manager
Keith Moore	*	Deputy City Manager
Brandi Brown	*	City Secretary
Barrett Albright	*	Director of Parks and Recreation
Dr. Glynell R. Horn	*	Chief of Police
Kathi Morgan	*	IT Administrator
Parviz Pourazizian	*	Director of Planning and Development Services
Sherry Roberts	*	Finance Director
Andrew Waits	*	Public Works Superintendent
Nicholas Williams	*	Fire Chief

CONSULTANT:

David Berman	*	City Attorney's Office
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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sonja A. Brown called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:01 P.M., with a quorum of the City Council present.

INVOCATION

Council Member Harry A. Garrett delivered the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Elijah Washington, Scholar, led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no Public Comments.

EVENTS

Mayor Sonja A. Brown announced the following Events:

- Glenn Heights Connect, March 28, 2025, 5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M., Gateway Estates, corner of Gateway Boulevard and Parkview Trail
- Community Clean-Up, April 12, 2025, 8:00 A.M. – Noon, Glenn Heights Heritage Park, 400 E Bear Creek Road, Glenn Heights, Texas

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Travis Bruton pulled Consent Agenda item 3 for discussion.

1. Discussion and take action to approve the Meeting Minutes of the February 4, 2025, City Council Work Session. (Brandi Brown, City Secretary)
2. Discussion and take action to approve the Meeting Minutes of the February 4, 2025, City Council Meeting. (Brandi Brown, City Secretary)

Council Member Travis Bruton made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 1 and 2. Mayor Pro Tem Cornel Benford II made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Bruton, Hale, and Lightfoot

3. Acknowledge receipt of the February 2025 Financial Reports.

Sherry Roberts, Finance Director, answered Council's questions related to the overtime and water/ sewer reports.

Council Member Travis Bruton made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 1 and 2. Mayor Pro Tem Cornel Benford II made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Bruton, Hale, and Lightfoot

AGENDA

1. Discussion and take action on Resolution R-09-25, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, creating a Charter Review Commission, establishing Charter Review Commission guidelines, and providing for an effective date.

Council Member Travis Bruton introduced this item.

Mayor Pro Tem Cornel Benford II made a motion to approve Resolution R-09-25, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, creating a Charter Review Commission, establishing Charter Review Commission guidelines, and providing for an

effective date. Council Member Laymon Lightfoot made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Bruton, Hale, and Lightfoot

2. Discussion and first reading of Ordinance O-05-25, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Glenn Heights, Texas, by amending Section 15.02.094 of Division 4 (“Fence and Screening Regulations”) of Article 15.02 (“Landscape and Screening Regulations”) of Chapter 15 (“Development Regulations”) to add new provisions relating to permissible fencing and fence heights.

Dr. LaSheyla Jones, City Planner, introduced this item and completed a presentation regarding this matter. Dr. Jones answered Council’s questions related to specific amendments, available options, parameter fencing, regulations for major thoroughfares, recommended heights, fencing allowed by HOAs, and the SUP process.

3. Discussion and first reading of Ordinance O-06-25, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Glenn Heights, Texas, by amending Article 15.01 (“Sign Regulations”) of Chapter 15 (“Development Regulations”); to amend Sections 15.01.011, 15.01.063 and 15.01.064.

Dr. LaSheyla Jones, City Planner, introduced this item and completed a presentation regarding this matter.

4. Discussion and take possible action regarding water and irrigation billing, specifically addressing resident concerns about being charged for irrigation during periods of non-use.

Clifford Blackwell, City Manager, introduced this item and completed a presentation regarding this matter. Mr. Blackwell answered Council’s questions related to hiring additional Staff for utility billing purposes, providing a tool for residents to be able to calculate their own utility bills, seasonal rates, volume credits, and the cost to test meters.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. The City Council shall convene into Executive Session:
 - A. pursuant to the Government Code, Section 551.072, Real Property; to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property located at S Uhl Road, Glenn Heights, Texas.

Mayor Pro Tem Cornel Benford II made a motion to go into Executive Session. Council Member Travis Bruton made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Bruton, Hale, and Lightfoot

Mayor Sonja A. Brown announced that City Council was in Executive Session at 8:50 P.M.

2. The City Council shall reconvene into Open Session and take any action arising from Executive Session.

Council Member Laymon Lightfoot made a motion to go into Open Session. Mayor Pro Tem Cornel Benford II made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Bruton, Hale, and Lightfoot

Mayor Sonja A. Brown announced that City Council was in Open Session at 9:08 P.M. and that no action would be taken as a result of Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Laymon Lightfoot made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Cornel Benford II made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Bruton, Hale, and Lightfoot

Mayor Sonja A. Brown adjourned the meeting at 9:08 P.M.



Sonja A. Brown, Mayor

Attest:



Brandi Brown, City Secretary
Passed and approved on the 27th day of May 2025