

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

JULY 1, 2025

STATE OF TEXAS *

COUNTIES OF DALLAS AND ELLIS *

CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS *

On the 1st day of July 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
Stephanne Hale	*	Council Member, Place 4
Laymon Lightfoot	*	Council Member, Place 5

* Harry A. Garrett, Council Member, Place 2, arrived at 7:13 P.M.

STAFF:

Clifford Blackwell	*	City Manager
Keith Moore	*	Deputy City Manager
Brandi Brown	*	City Secretary
Farrah Allen	*	Court Administrator
Dr. Glynell Horn	*	Chief of Police
Jeff Kent	*	IT Support Specialist
Jaynice Porter-Brathwaite	*	Human Resources Director
Parviz Pourazizian	*	Director of Planning and Development Services
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 7:03 P.M., with a quorum of the City Council present.

INVOCATION

Pastor Anthony Walker, Freedom Church, delivered the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Sonja A. Brown led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no Public Comments.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Sonja A. Brown read the following Proclamations:

- American Independence Day, July 4, 2025
- Park and Recreation Month, July

EVENTS

Mayor Sonja A. Brown announced the following Event:

- Sunset Concert Series featuring Ox and the Waymakers, July 6, 2025, 7:30 P.M., Glenn Heights City Center, 1938 South Hampton Road, Glenn Heights, Texas

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Cornel Benford II requested to remove Agenda Item 2 for discussion.

2. Discussion and take action to approve Ordinance O-09-25, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Section 12.04.001 of Article 12.04 ("Stop Intersections") adding new intersections controlled by stop signs. (Second Reading) (Clifford Blackwell, City Manager)

Council Member Laymon Lightfoot made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Item 2. Council Member Stephanie Hale made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 6 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Hale, and Lightfoot

1. Discussion and take action to approve Ordinance O-08-25, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, adopting the city's Employee Personnel Policy. (Second Reading)

Jaynice Porter-Brathwaite, Human Resources Director, and Clifford Blackwell, answered Council's questions related to the September 11th Holiday and whether or not guidelines regarding the usage of a City Credit Card is in the Personnel Policy.

Mayor Pro Tem Cornel Benford II made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Item 1. Council Member Sherron Mosley made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 6 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Hale, and Lightfoot

AGENDA

1. Discussion regarding a proposal for an Economic Development Strategic Plan.

Clifford Blackwell, City Manager, introduced this item, and Molly McKay, Managing Principal at Willdan, completed a presentation.

Mr. Blackwell and Mrs. McKay answered Council's questions related to a feasibility study, potential development ideas, and "healthy choice" attractions,

2. Discussion, first reading and public hearing for Ordinance O-10-25, related to granting a change in zoning from Retail (R) District to a Planned Development District-32 (PD-32) for approximately 33.3559 acres of land located at 605 Ovilla Road, by changing the zoning classification from Retail (R) to Planned Development-32 (PD-32) for a mixed-use development site consisting of Multi-Family and Commercial.

Parviz Pourazizian, Director of Planning and Development Services, introduced this item and completed a presentation, followed by a presentation by the Applicant, Michael Neary. Mr. Pourazizian and Mr. Neary answered Council's questions related to similar developments, types on zoning at the property and what will be built, storage units, and total land size. Council also requested that 3D or 4D images be provided.

Mayor Sonja A. Brown opened the Public Hearing.

- Krystal Jones, address on file: spoke in opposition to Agenda Item 2.
- Delandro Payne, address on file: spoke in opposition to Agenda Item 2.

Hearing no additional testimony, Mayor Sonja A. Brown closed the Public Hearing.

3. Discussion, first reading and public hearing for Ordinance O-11-25, to consider amending the zoning of approximately a 111.606 acre tract of land generally located at the southeastern corner of the intersection of West Bear Creek Road and South Westmoreland Road by changing the zoning classification from Planned Development-27 (PD-27) from mixed use single-family residential to Planned Development-27A (PD-27A) for Single-Family Residential (base Single-Family Residential-3) and Multi-Family Residential uses.

Parviz Pourazizian, Director of Planning and Development Services, introduced this item and completed a presentation, followed by a brief discussion by the Applicant, Jim Dewy. Mr. Pourazizian and Mr. Dewey answered Council's questions related to green space, community amenities, structure types and sizes, and street width.

Mayor Sonja A. Brown opened the Public Hearing.

Hearing no testimony, Mayor Sonja A. Brown closed the Public Hearing.

4. Discussion, first reading and public hearing for Ordinance O-12-25, related to granting a change in Zoning from Single-Family Residential-1 (SF-1) to Single-Family Residential-3 (SF-3) for approximately 15.52+/- acres of land situated in Phase One of the Meadows on Bear Creek Addition located at 928 East Bear Creek Road.

Parviz Pourazizian, Director of Planning and Development Services, introduced this item and completed a presentation, followed by a presentation by the Applicant, Maxwell Fisher. Mr. Pourazizian and Mr. Fisher answered Council's questions related to HOA management, the chosen developer, price points, drainage, and citizen contact/ input.

Mayor Sonja A. Brown opened the Public Hearing.

- Jedidiah Gill, address on file: spoke in opposition to Agenda Item 4.

Hearing no additional testimony, Mayor Sonja A. Brown closed the Public Hearing

5. Discussion and presentation regarding proposed November 2025 General Election Charter Review Amendments.

Brandi Brown, City Secretary, introduced this item, and Christi Pierce, Chairperson, completed a presentation. Ms. Brown and Mrs. Pierce answered Council's questions related to elections, compensation, and misconduct for removal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. The City Council shall convene into Executive Session:
 - A. pursuant to the Texas 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.
 - B. pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section 551.072, Real Property; to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property located at S Hampton, Glenn Heights, Texas.
 - C. pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section 551.072, Real Property, and Section 551.071, Consultation with City Attorney; to deliberate land acquisitions for the E Bear Creek Road Right-of-Way Expansion Project.
 - D. pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section 551.072, Real Property, and Section 551.071, Consultation with City Attorney; to deliberate land acquisitions for the S Uhl Road Right-of-Way Expansion Project.

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

VOTE 6 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Hale, and Lightfoot

Mayor Sonja A. Brown announced that Council would convene into Executive Session at 9:22 P.M.

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

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

VOTE 6 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Bruton, and Lightfoot

Mayor Sonja A. Brown announced that Council reconvened into Open Session at 9:49 P.M. and that no action would be taken as a result of Executive Session.

AGENDA

6. Discussion and take action to approve Resolution R-19-25, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to negotiate the acquisition of property for the South Uhl Road Right-of-Way Expansion Project, and authorizing the Mayor to execute any Conveyances on the City's behalf.

Parviz Pourazizian, Director of Planning and Development Services, introduced this item.

Council Member Harry A. Garrett made a motion to approve Agenda Item 6. Mayor Pro Tem Cornel Benford II made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

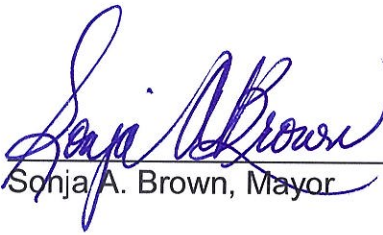
VOTE 6 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Hale, and Lightfoot

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sonja A. Brown made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Cornel Benford II made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 6 Ayes – Brown, Benford, Mosley, Garrett, Bruton, and Lightfoot

Mayor Sonja A. Brown adjourned the meeting at 9:49 P.M.



Sonja A. Brown, Mayor

Attest:



Brandi Brown, City Secretary
Passed and approved on the 2nd day of September 2025