

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

OCTOBER 18, 2022

STATE OF TEXAS *

COUNTIES OF DALLAS AND ELLIS *

CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS *

On the 18th day of October 2022, the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, met in a Regular Called Meeting in the City Hall, City Council Chambers, located at 1938 South Hampton Road, Glenn Heights, Texas, 75154, with the following members present:

CITY COUNCIL:

Harry A. Garrett	*	Mayor
Sonja A. Brown	*	Mayor Pro Tem, Place 1
Emma Ipaye	*	Council Member, Place 2
Travis Bruton	*	Council Member, Place 3
Alisha M. Brown*	*	Council Member, Place 4
Shaunte L. Allen	*	Council Member, Place 5
Machanta Newson	*	Council Member, Place 6

*Council Member Emma Ipaye arrived at 7:06 P.M.

Council Member Alisha M. Brown attended virtually.

STAFF:

David Hall	*	City Manager
Clifford Blackwell	*	Deputy City Manager
Nick Bristow	*	Deputy Chief of Police
Brandi Brown	*	City Secretary
Michael Davenport	*	Parks and Recreation Superintendent
Charles Hight	*	IT Director
Johnna Matthews	*	Director of Planning & Development Services
Keith Moore	*	Director of Public Safety
Jaynice Porter-Brathwaite	*	Human Resources Director
Ashlie Tolliver-Jones	*	City Planner
Nick Williams	*	Deputy Fire Chief

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harry A. Garrett called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:03 P.M., with a quorum of the City Council present.

INVOCATION

Council Member Machanta Newson delivered the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Harry A. Garrett led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Machanta Newson, Glenn Heights, TX: thanked residents, City Council, and Staff for their condolences in the passing of her Family Member.
- Leon Tate, Glenn Heights, TX: discussed his disapproval of the hiring of City Staff and actions of City Council.

EVENTS

Mayor Harry A. Garrett announced the following Events:

- Veteran's Day Online Tribute, November 7, 2022, 12:00 P.M. Requests to Honor a Veteran for the Veteran's Day Tribute Slide Show will be accepted October 28, 2022 - November 4, 2022.
- Season of Service
 - Nominate a Neighbor (Thanksgiving Meal Basket) - November 7, 2022- November 18, 2022
 - Nominate a Neighbor (Christmas Meal Basket) - December 5, 2022 -December 16, 2022
 - Glenn Heights Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, December 9, 2022,6:00 P.M., City Hall, 1938 S Hampton Road, Glenn Heights, TX 75154

STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

Jaynice Porter-Brathwaite, Human Resources Director, made the following Staff Introductions:

- Dulce Martinez, Victims Services Coordinator

Mayor Harry A. Garrett made a comment regarding the integrity, accomplishments, and experience of Council Members and Staff.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Discuss and take action to approve Resolution R-28-22, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, finding that Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC's ("Oncor" or "Company") application to change rates within the City should be denied; finding that the City's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by the company; finding that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law; requiring notice of this Resolution to the company and legal counsel. (David Hall, City Manager)
2. Discuss and take action to approve setting the November 2022 City Council Meeting dates and start times to November 1, 2022, at 7:30 P.M., and November 22, 2022, at 7:00 P.M., in the interest of limiting the number of meetings for the month and to take into consideration the dates and times of early voting and the State mandated deadline to canvass the November 8, 2022, Joint, General, and Special Elections. (Brandi Brown, City Secretary)

Mayor Pro Tem Sonja A. Brown made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 1 and 2. Council Member Machanta Newson made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Garrett, S. Brown, Ipaye, Bruton, A. Brown, Allen, and Newson

AGENDA

Council Member Travis Bruton made a motion to move Agenda item 4 to Agenda item 1. Council Member Machanta Newson made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Garrett, S. Brown, Ipaye, Bruton, A. Brown, Allen, and Newson

4. Discuss and take action authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement for Professional Services - Indefinite Delivery and Indefinite Quantity, between the City of Glenn Heights and Dikita Enterprises, Inc., dba Dikita Engineering.

David Hall, City Manager, introduced this item. Evalynn A. Williams, President and CEO of Dikita Enterprises, Inc., provided a brief overview of the company and past projects.

Mr. Hall answered Council's questions related to consulting services and future projects.

Mayor Pro Tem Sonja A. Brown made a motion to approve authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement for Professional Services - Indefinite Delivery and Indefinite Quantity, between the City of Glenn Heights and Dikita Enterprises, Inc., dba Dikita Engineering. Council Member Shaunte L. Allen made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Garrett, S. Brown, Ipaye, Bruton, A. Brown, Allen, and Newson

1. Discuss and take action on the Sister Cities Program.

Council Member Emma Ipaye introduced this item. After Council discussion, Council Member Ipaye stated she no longer wanted to move forward with this item.

2. Discuss and take action on Ordinance O-17-22, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Section 1.02.009, "Reimbursement of Council Member Expenditures and Expenses"; providing a repealing clause; providing a savings clause; and providing for an effective date. (Second Reading)

Mayor Pro Tem Sonja A. Brown introduced this item.

Mayor Pro Tem Brown and David Hall, City Manager, answered Council's questions related to covered expenses/reimbursements, the intention of the Ordinance, and types of events covered.

Mayor Pro Tem Sonja A. Brown made a motion to approve Ordinance O-17-22, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Section 1.02.009, "Reimbursement of Council Member Expenditures and Expenses"; providing a repealing clause; providing a savings clause; and providing for an effective date, with the following Amendments - Mayor's State of the City Address is exempt from the Ordinance and adding the City issued laptop to item #16. Council Member Machanta Newson made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 5 Ayes – Garrett, S. Brown, Bruton, A. Brown, and Newson
2 Nays – Ipaye and Allen

3. Discuss and take action on sponsorship for Leadership Southwest - Leveraging Human Capital Conference.

Council Member Travis Bruton introduced this item. He provided a brief overview of the Best Southwest Conference and Agenda and Sponsorship opportunities.

Mayor Pro Tem Sonja A. Brown made a motion to approve a Platinum sponsorship for Leadership Southwest – Leveraging Human Capital Conference. Council Member Machanta Newson made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Garrett, S. Brown, Ipaye, Bruton, A. Brown, Allen, and Newson

5. Crisis Assessment Resource Engagement Team (CARE Team) Update.

Keith Moore, Public Safety Director, introduced this item. Officer Christopher Ross, Victim Assistance Coordinator Dulce Martinez, and Social Services Coordinator Hannah McCarty introduced themselves and provided a brief overview of their education and employment history. Officer Ross, Ms. Martinez, and Ms. McCarty completed a presentation regarding the Regional CARE Team, including its Members, CARE Team services, how referrals are initiated, data regarding Glenn Heights mental health clients and victims, the Resource Directory, and client success.

Mr. Moore, David Hall, City Manager, Officer Ross, Ms. Martinez, Ms. McCarty, Raven Thousand, CARE Team Program Manager, and Lieutenant Melissa Franks, CARE Team Coordinator, answered Council's questions related to how the program is advertised, procedures for domestic violence victims and emergencies, preventative education, training, arrest procedures, and if there is anything Council can do to assist the program.

Council also thanked each Team Member for their service.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Sonja A. Brown made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Travis Bruton made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Garrett, S. Brown, Ipaye, Bruton, A. Brown, Allen, and Newson

Mayor Harry A. Garrett adjourned the City Council Meeting at 8:47 P.M.



Harry A. Garrett, Mayor

Attest:



Brandi Brown, City Secretary
Passed and approved on the 1st day of November 2022