

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

MAY 2, 2023

STATE OF TEXAS *

COUNTIES OF DALLAS AND ELLIS *

CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS *

On the 2nd day of May 2023, the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, met in a Regular Called City Council Meeting 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
Harry A. Garrett	*	Mayor Pro Tem
Sherron Mosley	*	Council Member, Place 1
Travis Bruton	*	Council Member, Place 3
Stephanne Hale	*	Council Member, Place 4
Laymon Lightfoot	*	Council Member, Place 5
Cornel Benford II	*	Council Member, Place 6

STAFF:

Clifford Blackwell	*	Deputy City Manager
Christopher Bentley	*	Officer, Glenn Heights Police Department
Nick Bristow	*	Deputy Chief of Police
Brandi Brown	*	City Secretary
Officer David Chen	*	Officer, Glenn Heights Police Department
Joshua Hayden	*	Officer, Glenn Heights Police Department
Ashlie Jones	*	City Planner
Joshua Kellis	*	Sergeant, Glenn Heights Police Department
Keith Moore	*	Director of Public Safety
Kathi Morgan	*	IT Administrator
Nick Williams	*	Deputy Fire Chief

CONSULTANT:

John Oliver	*	City Attorney's Office
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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sonja A. Brown called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:02 P.M., with a quorum of the City Council present.

INVOCATION

Mayor Pro Tem Harry A. Garrett delivered the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Tiina Arjanen, address on file: thanked Emily Loreto, Interim Utility Billing Supervisor, for her outstanding customer service, and requested the City create Loop 9 and unbuildable signage.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Sonja A. Brown read the following Proclamations:

- National Police Week, May 14-20, 2023
- Public Service Recognition Week, May 7-13, 2023

STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

Clifford Blackwell, Deputy City Manager, introduced the following new Staff:

- Terri Niemietz, Dispatch Supervisor
- Tony Brown, Police Officer
- Trevontae McNealy, Police Officer
- Karanequa Reed, Social Services/ Victims Assistance Coordinator
- Alyssa McGee, Community Engagement Coordinator
- Araceli Galvan, Permit Coordinator
- Sean Patterson, Utility Worker I

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Discuss and take action to approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of the April 18, 2023, Regular Called City Council Meeting. (Brandi Brown, City Secretary)
2. Discuss and take action to approve the Budget Calendar for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. (Clifford Blackwell, Deputy City Manager)
3. Plat Case FP-001-23: Discuss and take action to approve a Final Plat Request by the City of Glenn Heights for City Center, Lot 1, Block A, an addition to the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, being 11.828 acres out of the Samuel Clark Abstract Number 249, Dallas County, Texas. (Ashlie Jones, City Planner)

Mayor Pro Tem Harry A. Garrett made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-3. Council Member Travis Bruton made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

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

AGENDA

1. Discuss and take action on Ordinance O-02-23, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Appendix A "Fee Schedule", Article A5.000 "Utilities", by amending Section A5.001 "Water Rates and Charges", and Section A5.002 "Wastewater Rates and Charges"; providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause; and providing for an effective date. (Second Reading)

Clifford Blackwell, Deputy City Manager, introduced this item and completed a presentation detailing current and future rates, including projections based on the selection of Scenario 3.

Mr. Blackwell answered Council's questions related to how the City absorbed increases in the past, how City funds are sustainable, the water study performed for the proposed increase, how the implementation date will impact Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget discussions, and how this information will be disseminated to residents.

Mayor Pro Tem Harry A. Garrett made a motion to approve Ordinance O-02-23, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Appendix A "Fee Schedule", Article A5.000 "Utilities", by amending Section A5.001 "Water Rates and Charges", and Section A5.002 "Wastewater Rates and Charges"; providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause; and providing for an effective date. Council Member Cornel Benford II made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

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

2. Discuss and first reading of Ordinance O-01-23, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, amending the City of Glenn Heights Code of Ordinances, Appendix A, "Fee Schedule", to add Youth and Corporate Membership Rates and Waiver of Community Center Monthly Membership Fee for City Employees and City Council Members; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.

Clifford Blackwell, Deputy City Manager, introduced this item and discussed age requirements and stipulations, waiver of fees, and rental fees.

3. Discussion regarding Community Waste Disposal's (CWD) rate increase effective June 1, 2023.

Clifford Blackwell, Deputy City Manager, introduced this item and completed a presentation regarding Section 17 of the contract with CWD, and current and proposed rates.

Mr. Blackwell answered Council's questions related to service issues, penalties for exiting the contract, and if the contract can be amended. He also discussed the

possibility of a CWD representative appearing at the next Council Meeting for a discussion with Council.

4. Presentation of the March 2023 Financial Report.

Clifford Blackwell, Deputy City Manager, completed a presentation regarding the City's revenues, expenditures, and fund balances as of March 2023.

Mr. Blackwell answered Council's questions related to the EPA Community Fund, permitting fees, the General Fund, and the status of the water meter replacement project.

5. Presentation of the Glenn Heights Police Department First Quarter Contact Report.

Nick Bristow, Deputy Chief of Police, introduced this item and completed a presentation regarding contact data points, including traffic stops, race and ethnicity, street address or approximate location of stops, if searches were conducted during traffic stops and the reason why, if contraband was discovered, description of contraband located, results of stops, and motor vehicle contacts and demographics.

Deputy Chief Bristow answered Council's questions related to traffic calming devices, and how data is collected and tracked.

6. Presentation of the Glenn Heights Police Department First Quarter Crime Statistics Report.

Nick Bristow, Deputy Chief of Police, introduced this item and completed a presentation regarding dispatched calls, total calls, arrests and traffic data, calls by priority/response times, Group A crimes, and Group B crimes.

Deputy Chief Bristow answered Council's questions related to possible crime patterns, crimes whose data increased, and how residents can be made aware of crime in their area.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. The City Council shall convene into Executive Session:

A. pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney, to obtain legal advice regarding an ethics complaint received against a Council Member.

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

- A. pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney, to obtain legal advice regarding an ethics complaint received against a Council Member.

Mayor Pro Tem Harry A. Garrett made a motion to table Executive Session until the next regularly scheduled meeting. Council Member Cornel Benford II made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

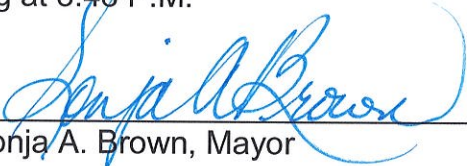
VOTE 7 Ayes – Brown, Garrett, Mosley, Bruton, Hale, Lightfoot, and Benford

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Mayor Sonja A. Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:48 P.M.



Sonja A. Brown, Mayor

Attest:



Brandi Brown, City Secretary
Passed and approved on the 16th day of May 2023