



**NOTICE AND AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024, 7:00 P.M.
SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas will hold a Special Called City Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, beginning at 7:00 P.M., in the City Hall, City Council Chambers, located at 1938-C South Hampton Road, Glenn Heights, Texas, 75154, as prescribed by Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, Government Code Section §551.041, to consider and possibly take action on the following agenda items. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown in this meeting Notice and Agenda.

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.127, on a regular, non-emergency basis, members may attend and participate in the meeting remotely by video conference. Should that occur, a quorum of the members, including the presiding officer, will be physically present at the location noted above on this Agenda.

This Notice and Meeting Agenda, and the Agenda Packet, are posted online at <https://www.glennheightstx.gov/129/Agendas-Minutes>.

This City Council Meeting will be live-streamed at <https://www.glennheightstx.gov/229/City-Council-Meeting-Videos>.

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public is invited to address City Council on any topic. Speakers should complete a Public Comment form and submit it to the City Secretary prior to the beginning of the meeting. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits City Council from discussing or taking action on issues not posted on the agenda; however, the Mayor, City Manager or designee may provide specific factual information, recite an existing policy, or schedule a discussion of the issue for possible placement on a future agenda. Speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes.

EVENT

- Glenn Heights 55th Anniversary Celebration, September 14, 2024, 4:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M., Glenn Heights Heritage Park, 400 East Bear Creek Road

AGENDA

1. Public Hearing to receive testimony regarding the Proposed Property Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2024. (Clifford Blackwell, City Manager)

2. Discussion and first reading of Ordinance O-20-24, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, adopting and levying ad valorem taxes for the year 2024 (Fiscal Year 2024-2025) at a rate of \$0.565015 per one hundred dollars (\$100) assessed valuation on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas. (Clifford Blackwell, City Manager)
3. Discuss and take action to postpone vote on approval of the Proposed Property Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2024 to the September 17, 2024, City Council Meeting. (Clifford Blackwell, City Manager)

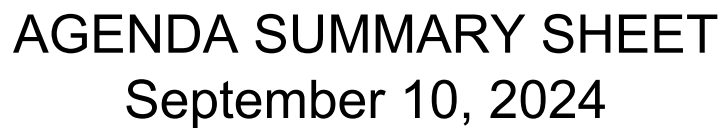
ADJOURNMENT

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability and require information or materials in an appropriate alternative format; or if you require any other accommodations, please contact the City Secretary at least 48 hours in advance of the event at 972-223-1690 ext. 125 or email brandi.brown@glennheightstx.gov. Advance notification within this guideline will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility.

I, Brandi Brown, City Secretary, do hereby certify that the above Meeting Notice and Agenda was posted in a place convenient to the Public at Glenn Heights City Hall, 1938-C South Hampton Road, Glenn Heights, Texas by 5:00 P.M. on Friday, September 6, 2024.

Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council reserves the right to consult in closed session with its attorney at any time during the course of this meeting and to receive legal advice regarding any item listed on this agenda.

Brandi Brown, City Secretary



Public Hearing to receive testimony regarding the Proposed Property Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2024. (Clifford Blackwell, City Manager)

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CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Date: September 10, 2024

SUBJECT

Discussion regarding Ordinance O-20-24, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, adopting and levying ad valorem taxes for the tax year 2024 (Fiscal Year 2024-2025) at a rate of \$0.565015 per one hundred dollars (\$100) assessed valuation on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the City of Glenn Heights as of January 1, 2024, to provide revenue for the payment of current expenses; providing for an interest and sinking fund for all outstanding debt of the City of Glenn Heights; providing for due and delinquent dates together with penalties and interest; approving the 2024 tax roll certified by the Chief Appraisers for Dallas and Ellis Counties; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

City Council will consider the Proposed Tax Rate of \$0.565015 per One Hundred Dollars (\$100) Assessed Valuation. For the purpose of defraying the current expenditures (Maintenance and Operations) of the municipal government of the City of Glenn Heights, a tax of \$0.487497 on each and every One Hundred Dollars (\$100) assessed value on all taxable property; and for the purpose of creating an interest and sinking fund (Interest and Sinking Fund) to pay the interest and principal maturities of all outstanding debt of the City of Glenn Heights not otherwise provided for, a tax of \$0.077518 on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100) assessed value of taxable property within the City of Glenn Heights, and shall be applied to the payment of interest and maturities of all such outstanding debt of the City.

This tax rate will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's rate.

The overall tax rate will be lowered by 1.21 percent, going from the previous rate of \$0.564729 per \$100 assessed valuation(AV) to the proposed rate of \$0.565015 per

\$100 AV. The maintenance & operations tax rate exceeds the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations tax rate, and it will increase taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$5.82.

PRIOR COUNCIL OR BOARD ACTION

Not applicable.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public Notices related to the Fiscal Year 2024–2025 Tax Rate have been given by posting on the City Council’s official bulletin board, on the City of Glenn Heights’ website, and in the local newspaper.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Adoption of this Ordinance will raise \$10,210,286 in property tax revenue for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

RECOMMENDATION / ALTERNATIVES

Staff recommends adoption of Ordinance O-20-24 on September 17, 2024.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance O-20-24

PREPARED BY

Clifford Blackwell, City Manager

REVIEWED BY

Brandi Brown, City Secretary

ORDINANCE O-20-24

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS, TEXAS, ADOPTING AND LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE TAX YEAR 2023 (FISCAL YEAR 2024 - 2025) AT A RATE OF \$0.565015 PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100) ASSESSED VALUATION ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2024, TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR THE PAYMENT OF CURRENT EXPENSES; PROVIDING FOR AN INTEREST AND SINKING FUND FOR ALL OUTSTANDING DEBT OF THE CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS; PROVIDING FOR DUE AND DELINQUENT DATES TOGETHER WITH PENALTIES AND INTEREST; APPROVING THE ESTIMATED 2024 TAX ROLL PROVIDED BY THE CHIEF APPRAISERS FOR DALLAS AND ELLIS COUNTIES AS ALLOWED BY LAW; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, following public notices duly posted and published in all things as required by law, public hearings were held by and before the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, the subject of which was the proposed tax rate for the City of Glenn Heights for Fiscal Year 2024-2025, submitted by the City Manager in accordance with provisions of the City Charter and state statutes; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, upon full consideration of the matter, is of the opinion that the tax rate hereinafter set forth is proper and should be approved and adopted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. There is hereby approved, adopted and levied for the tax year 2024 on all taxable property, real, personal and mixed, situated within the corporate limits of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, and not exempt by the Constitution of the State and valid State laws, a tax of \$0.565015 on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100) assessed valuation of taxable property, which consists of two components each one of which is separately approved by the Council as follows:

- (a) **\$0.077518** per One Hundred Dollars (\$100) of taxable value, the rate that, if applied to the total taxable value, will impose the total amount published under Section 26.04(e)(3)(C) of the Texas Property Tax Code (Tax Code), less any amount of additional sales and use tax revenue that will be used to pay debt service; and
- (b) **\$0.487497** per One Hundred Dollars (\$100) taxable value, the rate that, if applied to the total taxable value, will impose the amount of taxes needed to fund maintenance and operation expenditures of the City for the coming year.

SECTION 2. THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 1.21 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$5.82.

SECTION 3. All ad valorem taxes shall become due and payable on October 1, 2024, and all ad valorem taxes for the year shall become delinquent if not paid prior to February 1, 2025. There shall be no discount for payment of taxes prior to February 1, 2025. A delinquent tax shall incur all penalty and interest authorized by law, to wit:

- (a) A penalty of six percent (6%) on the amount of the tax for the first calendar month it is delinquent, plus one percent (1%) for each additional month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid prior to July 1 of the year in which it becomes delinquent.
- (b) Provided, however, a tax delinquent on July 1, 2025, incurs a total penalty of twelve percent (12%) of the amount of delinquent tax without regard to the number of months the tax has been delinquent. A delinquent tax shall also accrue interest at the rate of one percent (1%) for each month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid. Taxes for the year 2023 and taxes for all future years that become delinquent on or after February 1 but not later than May 1, that remain delinquent on July 1 of the year in which they become delinquent, incur an additional penalty in the amount of twenty percent (20%) of taxes, penalty and interest due, pursuant to Texas Property Tax Code Section 6.30 and 33.07, as amended. Taxes assessed against tangible personal property for the year 2021 and for all future years that become delinquent on or after February 1 of a year incur an additional penalty on the later of the date the personal property taxes become subject to the delinquent tax attorney's contract, or 60 days after the date the taxes become delinquent, such penalty to be in the amount of twenty percent (20%) of taxes, penalty and interest due, pursuant to Texas Property Tax Code Section 33.11. Taxes for the year 2021 and taxes for all future years that remain delinquent on or after June 1 under Texas Property Tax Code Sections 26.07(f), 26.15(e), 31.03, 31.031, 31.032 or 31.04 incur an additional penalty in the amount of twenty percent (20%) of taxes, penalty and interest due, pursuant to Texas Property Tax Code Section 6.30 and Section 33.08, as amended.

SECTION 3. The Dallas and Ellis County Tax Assessors/Collectors are hereby authorized to assess and collect the taxes of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas.

SECTION 4. The City shall have available all the rights and remedies provided by law for the enforcement of the collection of taxes levied under this ordinance.

SECTION 5. The tax rolls as presented to the City Council, together with any supplements thereto, be and the same are hereby approved.

SECTION 6. Should any word, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this ordinance, be adjudged or held to be void or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. All ordinances of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance be, and the same are hereby, repealed; provided, however, that all other provisions of said ordinances not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 8. This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage, as the law and charter in such cases provide.

UPON CALLING FOR A VOTE FOR APPROVAL OF THIS ORDINANCE, THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL VOTED AS FOLLOWS:

	Aye	Nay
Sonja A. Brown, Mayor		
Sherron Mosley, Council Member – Place 1		
Harry Garrett, Mayor Pro Tem – Place 2		
Travis Bruton, Council Member – Place 3		
Stephanne Hale, Council Member – Place 4		
Laymon M. Lightfoot, Council Member – Place 5		
Cornel Benford II, Council Member – Place 6		

WITH__ VOTING “AYE” AND__ VOTING “NAY”, AND AT LEAST 60% OF THE MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY VOTING IN FAVOR OF THE ORDINANCE, THIS ORDINANCE IS DULY PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS, TEXAS, ON THE 17TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024.

APPROVED:

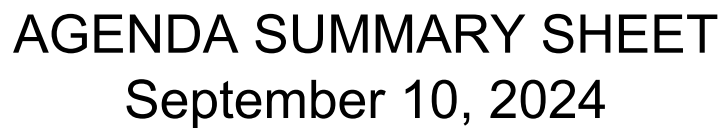
Sonja A. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brandi Brown, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

David Berman, City Attorney



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