

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

JULY 2, 2024

STATE OF TEXAS *

COUNTIES OF DALLAS AND ELLIS *

CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS *

On the 2nd day of July 2024, the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, met in a Regular 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
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	*	City Manager
Keith Moore	*	Deputy City Manager
Brandi Brown	*	City Secretary
Barrett Albright	*	Parks & Recreation Superintendent
Kathi Morgan	*	IT Administrator
Parviz Pourazizian	*	Director of Planning & Development Services
Sherry Roberts	*	Finance Director
Nicholas Williams	*	Fire Chief
Chris Womak	*	Lieutenant

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 7:32 P.M., with a quorum of the City Council present.

INVOCATION

Council Member Laymon Lightfoot delivered the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Jay Cole – address on file: request City Council and City Staff support in the rehabilitation efforts of the temporary Glenn Heights Animal Shelter.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Sonja A. Brown read the following Proclamations:

- American Independence Day, July 4, 2024
- Park and Recreation Month, July 2024

EVENTS

Mayor Sonja A. Brown announced the following Events:

- Mayor Sonja A. Brown's Vendor Fair, July 6, 2024, 10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M., City Center, 1938-C South Hampton Road
- Movies with the Mayor, July 6, 2024, 12:30 P.M., Glenn Heights Family Center, 1932 South Hampton Road

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Discuss and take action to approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of the May 21, 2024, City Council Meeting. (Brandi Brown, City Secretary)
2. Discuss and take action to approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of the June 4, 2024, 2024, City Council Meeting. (Brandi Brown, City Secretary)
3. Discuss and take action to approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of the June 18, 2024, City Council Meeting. (Brandi Brown, City Secretary)

Council Member Cornel Benford II made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 1-3. Council Member Laymon Lightfoot made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 5 Ayes – Brown, Bruton, Hale, Lightfoot, and Benford

AGENDA

Mayor Sonja A. Brown moved Agenda item 2 to Agenda item 1.

2. Discuss and take action on participation in the Close-Up Foundation.

Council Member Cornel Benford II introduced this item and Thomas Devine, Close-Up Foundation Outreach Coordinator, completed a presentation outlining the foundations history/ background, program details, proposed trip itinerary, supervision and security of participants, program costs, and key dates and deadlines.

Council Member Benford and Mr. Devine answered Council's questions related to financial obligations and possible refunds, chaperones, participant substitutes, and surrounding cities who participate in the program.

Council Member Laymon Lightfoot made a motion to approve Glenn Heights' participation in the Close-Up Foundation program. Council Member Stephanie Hale made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 5 Ayes – Brown, Bruton, Hale, Lightfoot, and Benford

1. Discuss and take action on sponsorship for the August 16, 2024, Best Southwest Legislative Series Breakfast.

Mayor Sonja A. Brown introduced this item and gave a brief overview of the Legislative Series.

Council Member Laymon Lightfoot made a motion to approve Glenn Heights' sponsorship for the August 16, 2024, Best Southwest Legislative Series Breakfast. Council Member Cornel Benford II made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 5 Ayes – Brown, Bruton, Hale, Lightfoot, and Benford

3. Discuss and take action on Resolution R-15-24, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, amending Subsection (c) of Section A5.004 ("Utility Billing") of Article A5.000 ("Utilities") of Appendix A, the City's Master Fee Schedule, of the Code of Ordinances, City of Glenn Heights, Texas, to amend the fees for reconnection after discontinuance of service.

Clifford Blackwell, City Manager, introduced this item.

After David Berman, City Attorney, discussed this item being adopted as a Resolution and not an Ordinance, Mr. Blackwell answered Council's questions related to after hour timeframes and bill amount and fees that must be paid prior to reconnect.

Council Member Cornel Benford II made a motion to approve Resolution R-15-24, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, amending Subsection (c) of Section A5.004 ("Utility Billing") of Article A5.000 ("Utilities") of Appendix A, the City's Master Fee Schedule, of the Code of Ordinances, City of Glenn Heights, Texas, to amend the fees for reconnection after discontinuance of service. Council Member Laymon Lightfoot made the second. The motion carried with the following record vote:

VOTE 5 Ayes – Brown, Bruton, Hale, Lightfoot, and Benford

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

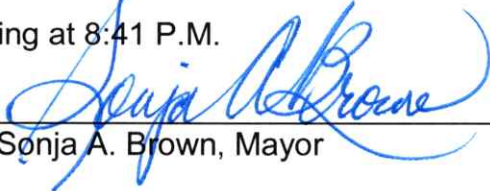
1. Barrett Albright, Parks & Recreation Superintendent, provided an update on the Summer Camp Program and answered Council's questions related to Senior Programming.
2. Parviz Pourazizian, Director of Planning & Development Services, provided an update on an upcoming Agenda item regarding the City's Land Use Chart.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Mayor Sonja A. Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:41 P.M.



Sonja A. Brown, Mayor

Attest:



Brandi Brown, City Secretary
Passed and approved on the 6th day of August 2024