

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

MARCH 5, 2024

STATE OF TEXAS *

COUNTIES OF DALLAS AND ELLIS *

CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS *

On the 5th day of March 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
Harry A. Garrett	*	Mayor Pro Tem, Place 2
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

*Council Member Travis Bruton arrived at 7:35 P.M.

*Council Member Sherron Mosley arrived at 7:48P.M.

STAFF:

Clifford Blackwell	*	City Manager
Brandi Brown	*	City Secretary
Barrett Albright	*	Parks & Recreation Superintendent
Nick Bristow	*	Chief of Police
Chad Moore	*	Deputy Fire Chief
Kathi Morgan	*	IT Administrator
Parviz Pourazian	*	Director of Planning & Development Services
Sherry Roberts	*	Finance Director
Andrew Waits	*	Utility Superintendent

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

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 COMMENTS

- Carolyn Kelley, address on file: thanked the City for their efforts in the removal of a property in her subdivision.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Sonja A. Brown read the following Proclamations:

- American Red Cross, March 2024
- Irish American Heritage Month, March 2024
- Women's History Month, March 2024

EVENTS

Mayor Sonja A. Brown announced the following Events:

- Mayor Sonja A. Brown's Town Hall Meeting, March 21, 2024, 6:30 P.M., Glenn Heights Community Center, 1938-D South Hampton Road
- Glenn Heights Connect, March 22, 2024, 5:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M., Kingston Meadows, intersection of Turn Bridge Drive and Whitaker Way

STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

Clifford Blackwell, City Manager, introduced the following new employees:

- Debra Byrd, Customer Service Clerk
- Rylie Moore, Firefighter/Paramedic
- Adolfo Ramirez, Police Officer

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Discuss and take action to approve a Replat Request for the remainder of Lots 1 through 5 and Lot 6, Block C, Willow Run Addition, as recorded in Volume 12, Page 289, Plat Records, Dallas County Texas, the same being 7.602 acres out of the James Porter Survey, Abstract No. 1129 and out of the William P. Holman Survey, Abstract No. 619, Glenn Heights, Dallas County, Texas. The replat request is submitted by Mike Davis with Bannister Engineering, on behalf of Sanabel Investment, LP. (Parviz Pourazizian, Director of Planning and Development Services)

Mayor Pro Tem Harry A. Garrett made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Item 1. 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

AGENDA

1. Discuss and take action on Resolution R-04-24, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, determining the existence of a public need and necessity and a public purpose for the acquisition of the land described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto for the expansion of Bear Creek Road; approving an agreement with Stateside Right of Way Services, LLC for provision of right of way acquisition services related to the project; authorizing the purchase of the required rights of way and/or other property interests for just compensation; authorizing a last and final offer and authorizing the City Attorney to file proceedings in eminent domain to acquire such property if such last and final offer is refused or not timely accepted; and providing for an effective date.

Parviz Pourazizian, Director of Planning and Development Services, introduced this item and completed a brief presentation.

Mr. Pourazizian answered Council's questions related to construction timelines, number of parcels involved, reimbursable fees, project costs, and how this project will impact the City's budget.

Council Member Travis Bruton made a motion to approve Resolution R-04-24, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, determining the existence of a public need and necessity and a public purpose for the acquisition of the land described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto for the expansion of Bear Creek Road; approving an agreement with Stateside Right of Way Services, LLC for provision of right of way acquisition services related to the project; authorizing the purchase of the required rights of way and/or other property interests for just compensation; authorizing a last and final offer and authorizing the City Attorney to file proceedings in eminent domain to acquire such property if such last and final offer is refused or not timely accepted; and providing for an effective date. 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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. The City Council shall convene into closed, Executive Session:
 - A. pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.071 - Consultation with City Attorney - to seek legal advice of its attorney about pending litigation to wit: David Jackson v. City of Glenn Heights, Texas and David A. Hall, Cause No. DC-23-17686 in the 116th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas.

Council Member Laymon Lightfoot made a motion to convene into closed, Executive Session. 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

Mayor Sonja A. Brown announced that Council convened into closed, Executive Session at 8:04 P.M.

2. The City Council shall reconvene into open Session and take any action resulting from closed, Executive Session:
 - A. pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.071 - Consultation with City Attorney - to seek legal advice of its attorney about pending litigation to wit: David Jackson v. City of Glenn Heights, Texas and David A. Hall, Cause No. DC-23-17686 in the 116th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas.

Mayor Sonja A. Brown announced that Council reconvened into open Session at 8:33 P.M. and that no action would be taken as a result of Executive Session.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

1. Planning and Development Services

Parviz Pourazizian, Director of Planning & Development Services, discussed Victoria Drive Drainage improvements, and provided a status update on the Impact Fee study, CIAC, and a Specific Use Permit for the Northeast corner of Santa Rosa Lane and Ovilla Road. He also answered Council's questions related to upcoming projects and the Planning and Zoning Commission.

2. Public Works

Andrew Waits, Superintendent, discussed the Fiscal Year 2024 Bid for Miscellaneous Concrete Repairs for various locations and explained how residents can report issues.

3. Police and Fire Departments

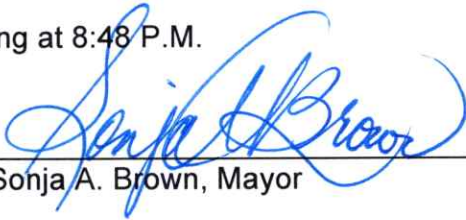
Nick Bristow, Chief of Police, and Chad Moore, Deputy Fire Chief discussed the upcoming Public Safety Academy, and answered Council's questions related to Academy dates, minimum age requirements, and number of available spaces.

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, 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 19th day of March 2024