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

JULY 16, 2019

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTIES OF DALLAS AND ELLIS
CITY OF GLENN HEIGHTS

On the 16th day of July 2019, the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights met in a regular meeting at the Glenn Heights City Hall, City Council Chambers, in Glenn Heights, Texas located at 1938 S. Hampton Road with the following members present:

CITY COUNCIL:
Harry A. Garrett * Mayor
Ron Adams * Mayor Pro Tem
Sonja A. Brown * Council Member
Tony Bradley * Council Member
Jeremy Woods, Sr. * Council Member
Shaunte L. Allen * Council Member
Machanta Newson * Council Member

STAFF:
David Hall * City Manager
Brian Lockley * Deputy City Manager
Brandi Brown * City Secretary
Charles Williams * Interim Finance Director
Vernell Dooley * Deputy Chief of Police
Keith Moore * Deputy Fire Chief
Marlon Goff * Economic Development Administrator
Jaynice Porter-Brathwaite * Human Resources Director
Steven Martin, Jr. * Director of Public Works & Infrastructure
Mia Hines * Planner
Lauren Lewis * Community Engagement Coordinator

CONSULTANT:
Victoria Thomas * City Attorney’s Office

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Harry A. Garrett called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. with a quorum of the City Council present.

INVOCATION
Pastor Charles Ragsdale of Church of the Living God delivered the invocation.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS
There were no public comments.

PROCLAMATIONS
- National Parent’s Day, July 28, 2019
- Councilwoman Machanta Newson – Birthday

Council took a brief recess to celebrate Mayor Harry A. Garrett’s and Councilwoman Machanta Newson’s Birthdays from 7:07 p.m. to 7:14 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

Jaynice Porter-Brathwaite, Human Resources Director, stated there were no introductions.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Take action to approve City Council Meeting Minutes of the July 9, 2019 Special Called City Council Meeting.

Councilwoman Sonja A. Brown made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Item 1. Councilman Jeremy Woods, Sr. made the second. The motion carried with the following vote:

VOTE 7 Ayes – Garrett, Adams, Brown, Bradley, Woods, Allen, and Newson

AGENDA

1. Discuss and take action on a request by Abdo Abner Askar to waive the one-year requirement for reconsideration of Ordinance O-02-19 pursuant to Article IV Zoning Amendments, Appeals, and Variances of the Glenn Heights Code of Ordinances.

Brian Lockley, Deputy City Manager, introduced this item to Council and answered Council’s questions. Councilwoman Machanta Newson made a comment regarding her views and previous Council Meetings regarding this item.

Councilman Tony Bradley made a motion to waive the one-year requirement for reconsideration of Ordinance O-02-19 pursuant to Article IV Zoning Amendments, Appeals, and Variances of the Glenn Heights Code of Ordinances. Mayor Pro Tem Ron Adams made the second. The motion carried with the following vote:

VOTE 6 Ayes – Garrett, Adams, Bradley, Woods, Allen, and Newson
1 Nay – Brown
2. Capital Projects Update.

Councilman Tony Bradley made a motion to table this agenda item to August 6, 2019. Councilwoman Shaunte L. Allen made the second. The motion carried with the following vote:

**VOTE 7 Ayes** – Garrett, Adams, Brown, Bradley, Woods, Allen, and Newson


David Hall, City Manager, presented this item to Council and answered Council’s questions.

4. Discuss and take action on the Love Your Block Program (Neighborhood Beautification).

Lauren Lewis, Community Engagement Coordinator, and David Hall, City Manager, presented this item to Council and answered Council’s questions.

Councilman Tony Bradley made a motion to approve the Love Your Block Program. Mayor Pro Tem Ron Adams made the second. The motion carried with the following vote:

**VOTE 7 Ayes** – Garrett, Adams, Brown, Bradley, Woods, Allen, and Newson

Council took a brief recess from 7:44 p.m. to 7:52 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1.A. The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071(1)(A), Consultation with its attorney to seek legal advice about pending or contemplated litigation: Dallas County, et al v. Jon M. Bruner, Sr., et al, No. TX-15-00705 in the 192nd Judicial District Court, Dallas County, Texas.

Councilman Tony Bradley made a motion to move into Executive Session at 7:53 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Ron Adams made the second. The motion carried with the following vote:

**VOTE 7 Ayes** – Garrett, Adams, Brown, Bradley, Woods, Allen, and Newson

1.B. The City Council shall reconvene into Open Session and take any action arising from Executive Session 1.A. conducted pursuant to Section 551.071(1)(A),
Consultation with its attorney to seek legal advice about pending or contemplated litigation: Dallas County, et al v. Jon M. Bruner, Sr., et al, No. TX-15-00705 in the 192nd Judicial District Court, Dallas County, Texas.

Mayor Pro Tem Ron Adams made a motion to reconvene into Open Session at 8:04 p.m. Councilman Tony Bradley made the second. The motion carried with the following vote:

**VOTE 7 Ayes** – Garrett, Adams, Brown, Bradley, Woods, Allen, and Newson

Mayor Pro Tem Ron Adams made a motion to direct David Hall, City Manager, to provide written directive to the Linebarger Law Firm to proceed with the Sheriff sale in lawsuit No. TX-15-00705 regarding the property addressed 1238 Willow Run Drive and that the City does not agree to have the property struck off if it does not sell. Councilman Jeremy Woods, Sr. made the second. The motion carried with the following vote:

**VOTE 7 Ayes** – Garrett, Adams, Brown, Bradley, Woods, Allen, and Newson

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilman Jeremy Woods, Sr. made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Sonja A. Brown made the second. The motion carried with the following vote:

**VOTE 6 Ayes** – Garrett, Brown, Bradley, Woods, Allen, and Newson

1 Nay – Adams

Mayor Harry A. Garrett adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

\[Signature\]

Harry A. Garrett, Mayor

Attest:

\[Signature\]

Brandi Brown, City Secretary

Passed and approved on the 6th day of August 2019