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

SEPTEMBER 10, 2019

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

On the 10th day of September 2019, the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights met in a special called meeting at the Glenn Heights City Hall, City Council Chambers, in Glenn Heights, Texas located at 1938 South 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
Angela Davis * Police Officer

CONSULTANT:

Victoria Thomas * City Attorney's Office

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harry A. Garrett called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum of the City Council present.

INVOCATION

Mayor Pro Tem Ron Adams delivered the Invocation.

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

INTRODUCTIONS

Jaynice Porter-Brathwaite, Human Resources Director, stated there were no new staff members to introduce.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Take action to approve City Council Meeting Minutes of the September 3, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting.

2. Take action on Resolution R-24-19, a Resolution of City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to execute IRS Form 2848, a Power of Attorney, in favor of Craig R. Cockrell and Anton L. Lanik, Jr. of the Law Firm of Mitchell, Williams, Selig, Gates & Woodyard, PLLC for the limited purpose of allowing those attorneys to represent the city before the IRS to resolve proposed imposition of penalties and fines by the IRS resulting from possible untimely filing of IRS forms by TML Multistate Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool on behalf of the city. (Jaynice Porter-Brathwaite, Human Resources Director)

Councilwoman Sonja A. Brown made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 and 2. 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. Presentation – City Center Design Elements Input.

   David Hall, City Manager, introduced this item, and Eric Grossman, from Grossman Design Build, LLC, provided a presentation regarding the City Center Project Building Design Elements. David Hall and Eric Grossman received feedback from Council and answered their questions throughout the presentation.

2. Discuss and take action on the Interlocal Agreement with DeSoto Independent School District for the services of a School Resource Officer.

   Vernell Dooley, Deputy Chief of Police, introduced this item to Council and provided a brief overview of the Interlocal Agreement. He also introduced Angela Davis, the School Resource Officer.

Councilman Tony Bradley made a motion to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with DeSoto Independent School District for the services of a School Resource Officer.
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

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Tiina Arjanen: 527 Green Mound Dr., Glenn Heights, TX 75154 – discussed the legality of the Public Hearing to receive testimony regarding the Proposed Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget, related to the announcement of the hearing dates at prior Council Meetings and hearing publication dates in the local newspaper.

**AGENDA**

Mayor Pro Tem Ron Adams made a motion to open the Public Hearing to receive testimony regarding the Proposed Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget. Councilman Tony Bradley 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, introduced this item to Council, addressed the concerns made during Public Comment, and stated Victoria Thomas, City Attorney, could answer questions regarding the comments. Mayor Harry A. Garrett confirmed with Council that they had no questions.

    There were no speakers present to provide testimony.

Mayor Pro Tem Ron Adams made a motion to close the Public Hearing to receive testimony regarding the Proposed Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget. 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

4. Discuss and take action on Ordinance O-08-19, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, adopting the budget for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020; providing that expenditures for said fiscal year shall be made in accordance with said budget; appropriating and setting aside the necessary funds out of the general and other revenues for said fiscal year for the maintenance and operation of the various departments and for various activities and improvements of the city; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date. (First Reading)
David Hall, City Manager, introduced this item to Council, provided a presentation of the proposed budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020, and answered Council’s questions.

Councilman Tony Bradley made a motion to approve Ordinance O-08-19, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, adopting the budget for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020; providing that expenditures for said fiscal year shall be made in accordance with said budget; appropriating and setting aside the necessary funds out of the general and other revenues for said fiscal year for the maintenance and operation of the various departments and for various activities and improvements of the city; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date. Mayor Pro Tem Ron Adams made the second. The following no action vote was recorded:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT
- Tiina Arjanen: 527 Green Mound Dr., Glenn Heights, TX 75154 — discussed the legality of adopting the Proposed Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget, related to her concerns regarding the Public Hearing to receive testimony regarding the Proposed Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget.

5. Discuss and take action on Ordinance O-07-19, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, adopting and levying ad valorem taxes for the year 2019 (Fiscal Year 2019 - 2020) at a rate of $0.833523 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, 2019, 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 2019 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. (First Reading)

Charles Williams, Interim Finance Director, introduced this item to Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT
- Tiina Arjanen: 527 Green Mound Dr., Glenn Heights, TX 75154 — Brandi Brown, City Secretary, spoke with Tiina Arjanen as she had submitted a Speaker Request Form for Agenda Item 5. She withdrew her request to speak regarding this item.

Mayor Pro Tem Ron Adams made a motion to approve Ordinance O-07-19, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Glenn Heights, Texas, adopting and levying ad valorem taxes for the year 2019 (Fiscal Year 2019 - 2020) at a rate of $0.833523 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, 2019, 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 2019 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. Councilman Jeremy Woods, Sr. made the second. The following no action vote was recorded:

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

6. Discuss and consider conducting two candidate forums for the upcoming municipal elections, with location, dates, and times to be determined.

Councilman Tony Bradley introduced this item to Council and received feedback regarding if Candidate Forums should be held for the upcoming Mayoral and Councilmember Place 2 Elections. On the advice of Victoria Thomas, City Attorney, no action was taken on the Agenda Item based on the Agenda language.

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

Mayor Harry A. Garrett adjourned the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

[Signature]
Harry A. Garrett, Mayor

Attest:

[Signature]
Brandi Brown, City Secretary
Passed and approved on the 17th day of September 2019

City Council Minutes – September 10, 2019