

**MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF HOMEWOOD, ALABAMA**

March 9, 2026

The City Council of the City of Homewood, Alabama convened in Regular Session on Monday, March 9, 2026 at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Andress at 6:03 p.m.

The invocation was given by Mayor Andress, after which the pledge of allegiance was given.

Upon Roll Call, the following were present: Paul Simmons, Nick Sims, Chris Lane, Winslow Armstead, and Jennifer Andress constituting a quorum of Council members. Also present were: Cale Smith, Acting City Manager; J.J. Bischoff, Chief of Staff; Bo Seagrist, City Clerk; and Keith Jackson and Jay Murrill, City Attorneys. Absent: None.

At this time, Councilor Armstead moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of February 23, 2026, and approve them as presented. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

BOARD VACANCIES AND APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Andress stated that the application period for the District 1 Board of Education position would be open until April 6, 2026.

Councilor Armstead moved to appoint Dominick Sims to the BZA Supernumerary position. Councilor Lane seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

Mayor Andress then stated that the application periods for the District 2 Environmental Commission and District 4 Beautification Board would be re-opened until April 6, 2026.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

At this time, Mayor Andress amended the published Council Agenda to add the following items to Other New Business: Item No. 03.03.26 Request to declare miscellaneous Library items surplus – Judith Wright, Library Director; 09.03.26 Request consideration for Jack and Jill of America to use the council chambers – Councilor Paul Simmons, Bo Seagrist, City Clerk; 11.03.26 Request consideration for an ABC 140 Special Events Retail License for 5th annual crawfish boil benefiting Restoration Academy – Battery Sports Bar LLC, Bo Seagrist, City Clerk.

Councilor Simmons moved to approve the amended Council Agenda. Councilor Lane seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

CONSENT AGENDA

None.

OLD BUSINESS AGENDA

The first item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 08.01.26 – Request for consideration of the attorney general opinion regarding the Residency Requirement – Councilor Lane.

Councilor Lane moved for the adoption and enrollment of presented Resolution. Councilor Sims seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a voice vote, the motion failed on a vote of 1-4. (Councilors Simmons, Sims, Armstead, and Mayor Andress voted no).

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 06.02.26 – Request for permission to put yellow stripe on the curb at Linden – Councilor Lane.

At this time, the first reading of the proposed Ordinance was presented for consideration at 6:23 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance to extend No Parking yellow strip on the curb at Linden)

Mayor Andress stated that, without objection, this item would be carried over to the March 23, 2026 Council Meeting for the second reading.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 10.02.26 – Request to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement between Homewood, Mountain Brook, Birmingham, and Jefferson County relating to the eventual comprehensive bridge improvement construction project (that will include pedestrian accessibility) near the current Highway 280 bridge at Hollywood Boulevard – Mayor Andress.

At this time, the following Resolution was presented for the Council’s consideration.

Resolution No. 26-24

(A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement between Homewood, Mountain Brook, Birmingham, and Jefferson County relating to the eventual comprehensive bridge improvement construction project (that will include pedestrian accessibility) near the current Highway 280 bridge at Hollywood Boulevard)

Councilor Armstead moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-24. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 14.02.26 – Amendment of Ordinance No. 1405, Section 2, Entitled “Board of Adjustment, Composition; Terms” and Amendment of Ordinance No. 1405, Section 3, Entitled “Board of Adjustment – Appointment – Regular Members” – Keith Jackson, Jay Murrill, City Attorneys.

At this time, the first reading of the proposed Ordinance was presented for consideration at 6:26 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 1405, Section 2, Entitled “Board of Adjustment, Composition; Terms” and Amendment of Ordinance No. 1405, Section 3, Entitled “Board of Adjustment – Appointment – Regular Members”)

Councilor Armstead moved for the unanimous consent of the proposed Ordinance as read. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

Mayor Address asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Paul Simmons, Nick Sims, Chris Lane, Winslow Armstead, and Jennifer Address.

The motion for unanimous consent carried.

At this time, the following Ordinance was presented for the Council’s consideration:

Ordinance No. 2972

(An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 1405, Section 2, Entitled “Board of Adjustment, Composition; Terms” and Amendment of Ordinance No. 1405, Section 3, Entitled “Board of Adjustment – Appointment – Regular Members”)

Councilor Sims moved to approve the proposed Ordinance as read. Councilor Armstead seconded the motion.

Mayor Address asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Paul Simmons, Nick Sims, Chris Lane, Winslow Armstead, and Jennifer Address.

The motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 10.03.26 = Request for consideration of approval of vouchers for period of February 24, 2026 through March 9, 2026 – J.J. Bischoff, Chief of Staff; Kellie Lee, Accountant; Bo Seagrist, City Clerk.

At this time, the following Resolution was presented for the Council’s consideration.

Resolution No. 26-25

(A Resolution for approval of vouchers for period of February 24, 2026 through March 9, 2026)

Councilor Sims moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-25. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

Mayor Address asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item considered under Other New Business was Item No. 03.03.26 – Request to declare miscellaneous Library items surplus – Judith Wright, Library Director.

At this time, the first reading of the proposed Ordinance was presented for consideration at 6:35 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance to declare miscellaneous Library items surplus)

Councilor Sims moved for the unanimous consent of the proposed Ordinance as read. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

Mayor Address asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Paul Simmons, Nick Sims, Chris Lane, Winslow Armstead, and Jennifer Address.

The motion for unanimous consent carried.

At this time, the following Ordinance was presented for the Council's consideration:

Ordinance No. 2973

(An Ordinance to declare miscellaneous Library items surplus)

Councilor Simmons moved to approve the proposed Ordinance as read. Councilor Sims seconded the motion.

Mayor Address asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Paul Simmons, Nick Sims, Chris Lane, Winslow Armstead, and Jennifer Address.

The motion carried without dissent.

The next item considered under Other New Business was Item No. 09.03.26 – Request for consideration for Jack and Jill of America to use the council chambers – Councilor Paul Simmons, Bo Seagrist, City Clerk.

At this time, the following Resolution was presented for the Council’s consideration.

Resolution No. 26-26

(A Resolution authorizing Jack and Jill of America to use the council chambers)

Councilor Armstead moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-26. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item considered under Other New Business was Item No. 11.03.26 - Request consideration for an ABC 140 Special Events Retail License for 5th annual crawfish boil benefiting Restoration Academy – Battery Sports Bar LLC, Bo Seagrist, City Clerk.

Councilor Simmons moved for having no objection to the issuance of the ABC license. Councilor Armstead seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. There was no response from the Council.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was, on a motion, duly made, adjourned at 6:50 p.m.