

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

**May 8, 2023**

The City Council of the City of Homewood, Alabama convened in Regular Session on Monday, May 8, 2023 at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

At this time, Mayor McClusky presented a Proclamation to the American Heart Association for the Active People, Healthy Nation Program.

Meredith Drennen of the Chamber of Commerce addressed the Council regarding the Launch of Business Spotlights.

The invocation was given by Councilor Jones, after which the pledge of allegiance was given.

The meeting was called to order by President Wyatt at 6:15 p.m.

Upon Roll Call, the following were present: Melanie Geer, Andrew Wolverton, Nick Sims, Walter Jones, Barry Smith, Jalete Nelms, Jennifer Andress, John Hardin, and Alex Wyatt, constituting a quorum of Council members. Also present were: Mike Kendrick, City Attorney; J.J. Bischoff, Chief of Staff; Mayor Patrick McClusky, and Melody Salter, City Clerk. Absent: Andy Gwaltney and Carlos Alemán.

At this time, Councilor Smith moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of April 24, 2023 and approve them as presented. Councilor Wolverton seconded the motion.

President Wyatt 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.

Councilor Wolverton moved to appoint Mary Michael Kelley to the Ward 2 Beautification Board position. Councilor Sims seconded the motion.

President Wyatt 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.

President Wyatt then opened the application period for two At-Large positions and the Ward 3 and Ward 5 positions of the Beautification Board until May 22, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

At this time, President Wyatt amended the published Council Agenda to add the following item to both the Committee Referral Agenda and the Other New Business Agenda: Item No. 06.05.23 – Request to set a Bid Date for Paving Project – Berkley Squires, Public Works Director – Finance Committee.

President Wyatt then amended the published Council Agenda to add the following items to the Committee Referral Agenda: Item No. 07.05.23 – Request for a Resolution in favor of the Red Mountain Cut Foundation and Jefferson County Commission TAP Grant Request – Bryson Stephens / Councilor Andress – Planning and Development Committee; Item No. 08.05.23 – Request for consideration of economic development incentives located at 195 Oxmoor Road/536 Cobb Street – Village Creek Development & SHA, LLC / President Wyatt – Finance Committee.

Councilor Wolverton moved for the approval of the amended Council Agenda. Councilor Andress seconded the motion.

President Wyatt 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**

**18.11.19** Request for consideration of Parking Management System RFI –  
**Councilors Andy Gwaltney**

**Action Taken: The Public Works Committee met on May 1, 2023 and voted 5-0 to take this item off the Table. The motion was made by Councilor Geer and seconded by Councilor Hardin. The Committee then voted 5-0 to recommend dropping this item. The motion was made by Councilor Geer and seconded by Councilor Hardin.**

**09.08.21** Request for permission to work in the City Right-of-Way at 186 Oxmoor Road – **Adam Thrower / Councilor Wolverton**

**Action Taken: The Public Works Committee met on May 1, 2023 and voted 5-0 to take this item off the Table. The motion was made by Councilor Geer and seconded by Councilor Sims. The Committee then voted 5-0 to recommend dropping this item. The motion was made by Councilor Geer and seconded by Councilor Hardin.**

Councilor Wolverton moved for the approval of the Consent Agenda. Councilor Andress seconded the motion.

President Wyatt 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.

### **OLD BUSINESS AGENDA**

The first item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 11.04.23 – Request for consideration to amend the FY22-23 Budget – Robert Burgett, Finance Director and Melody Salter, CPA, City Clerk.

Councilor Jones stated that the Finance Committee met on May 1, 2023 and voted 5-0 to recommend approval.

At this time, Mr. Kendrick presented the following Resolution for the Council's consideration.

#### **Resolution No. 23-67**

**(A Resolution to amend the FY22-23 Budget)**

President Wyatt asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion from the Finance Committee. There was no response from the Council.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 12.04.23 – Request for permission to work in the Right-of-Way to replace a fence adjacent to 1004 Edgewood Boulevard – James and Kate Morris / Wyatt Pugh, Building Department.

Councilor Wolverton stated that the Public Works Committee met on May 1, 2023 and voted 5-0 to recommend approval pending indemnification agreement.

At this time, Mr. Kendrick presented the following Resolution for the Council's consideration.

#### **Resolution No. 23-68**

**(A Resolution for approval to work in the Right-of-Way to replace a fence adjacent to 1004 Edgewood Boulevard)**

President Wyatt asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion from the Public Works Committee. There was no response from the Council.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 06.04.23 – Public Hearing set for June 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. for consideration to vacate a portion of unnamed city Right-of-Way adjacent to 328 Redfern Street – David Mitchell / Wyatt Pugh, Inspections & Permits.

President Wyatt stated that this item would be carried over for the Public Hearing set for June 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

### **COMMITTEE REFERRAL AGENDA**

- 11.04.23** Request for consideration to amend the FY22-23 Budget – **Robert Burgett, Finance Director and Melody Salter, CPA, City Clerk – Finance Committee**
- 12.04.23** Request for permission to work in the Right-of-Way to replace a fence adjacent to 1004 Edgewood Boulevard – **James and Kate Morris / Wyatt Pugh, Building Department – Public Works Committee**
- 06.05.23** **Request to set a Bid Date for Paving Project – Berkley Squires, Public Works Director – Finance Committee**
- 07.05.23** **Request for a Resolution in favor of the Red Mountain Cut Foundation and Jefferson County Commission TAP Grant Request – Bryson Stephens / Councilor Andress – Planning and Development Committee**
- 08.05.23** **Request for consideration of economic development incentives located at 195 Oxmoor Road/536 Cobb Street – Village Creek Development & SHA, LLC / President Wyatt – Finance Committee**

Councilor Hardin moved to approve the amended Committee Referral Agenda. Councilor Wolverton seconded the motion.

President Wyatt 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.

### **OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 03.05.23 – Request for consideration of an ABC 020 – Restaurant Retail Liquor License for Pranzo

Pronto LLC dba Freddys Café located at 1706 Oxmoor Road – Melody Salter, CPA, City Clerk.

Councilor Wolverton moved to having no objections to the issuance of the license pending CO and letters of no objection from the Fire and Police Departments. Councilor Smith seconded the motion.

President Wyatt 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. 04.05.23 – Request for consideration of an ABC 020 – Restaurant Retail Liquor License for Weird Fishes LLC dba Whiskey Foxtrot Burger Dive located at 1919 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue South Suite 113 – Melody Salter, CPA, City Clerk.

Councilor Wolverton moved to having no objections to the issuance of the license pending CO and letters of no objection from the Fire and Police Departments. Councilor Smith seconded the motion.

President Wyatt 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. 05.05.23 – Request for consideration of approval of vouchers for period of April 25, 2023 through May 8, 2023 – Robert Burgett, Finance Director and Melody Salter, CPA, City Clerk.

At this time, Mr. Kendrick presented the following Resolution for the Council's consideration.

**Resolution No. 23-69**

**(A Resolution for approval of vouchers for period of April 25, 2023 through May 8, 2023)**

Councilor Jones moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 23-69. Councilor Smith seconded the motion.

President Wyatt 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. 06.05.23 – Request to set a Bid Date for Paving Project – Berkley Squires, Public Works Director.

President Wyatt stated that the Bid Date would be set for a deadline of June 5, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. with the opening set for 4:45 p.m.

President Wyatt stated that the Finance Committee would meet on May 15, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. with Planning and Development meeting immediately following Finance. The Public Safety, Public Works, and Special Issues Committees were not scheduled to meet on May 15, 2023.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was, on a motion duly made, adjourned at 6:46 p.m.