

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

**May 18, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Homewood, Alabama convened in Special Session on Monday, May 18, 2026 at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Andress at 6:02 p.m.

The invocation was given by Councilor Winslow Armstead, 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, 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 May 11, 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**

Councilor Sims moved to nominate Kyle Bass to the Ward 2 Arts Council 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 stated that the Ward 2 Environmental Council position would be re-opened until June 22, 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. 17.05.26 Request to vacate a portion of public right-of-way consisting of a 20-foot alley located between 115 Morris Boulevard and 117 Morris Boulevard – Wyatt Pugh, Chief Building Official; 18.05.26 Request for consideration of ABC 020 – Restaurant Retail Liquor License for Little Donkey / CMD LLC at 2701 18<sup>th</sup> Street S Suite 105 – Bo Seagrist, City Clerk; 10.05.26 Request to execute an easement agreement with McConnel, White and Terry Realty, Inc. to allow for irrigation and landscaping as part of the US 31 Pedestrian Tunnel Project – Amy Zari, City Engineer.

Councilor Sims moved to approve the amended Council Agenda. 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.

## **OLD BUSINESS AGENDA**

The first item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 11.04.26 – Public Hearing set for June 8, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. for request to rezone 2773 & 2777 BM Montgomery Street from their current zoning designation of C-2, Neighborhood Shopping District to a C-4, Central Business District zoning classification to permit the renovation and reuse of the existing buildings for the development of a health fitness center – Conrad Garrison / Christine Thornton, Studio Vestige.

Mayor Andress stated that this item would be carried over for the Public Hearing set for June 8, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 08.05.26 – Public Hearing set for June 22, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. for request to vacate a portion of the unnamed alley adjacent to 200 Virginia Drive – Wyatt Pugh, Chief Building Official.

Mayor Andress stated that this item would be carried over for the Public Hearing set for June 22, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

**OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 01.05.26 – Request consideration of approval for a limited private residential fence encroachment onto city-owned property adjacent to 10 Pamona Avenue – Donna Dowling, owner / Wyatt Pugh, Chief Building Official.

Councilor Lane moved for approval.

The motion failed due to lack of a second.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 02.05.26 – Request consideration of a Resolution in support of Jefferson County's FY26 SS4A application– Amy Zari, City Engineer.

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

**Resolution No. 26-54**

**(A Resolution in support of Jefferson County's FY26 SS4A application)**

Councilor Armstead moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-54. 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. 06.05.26 – Request to delegate limited authority to the City Manager regarding budget transfers – Cale Smith, City Manager.

Mayor Andress stated that, without objection, this item would be carried over. There were no objections.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 07.05.26 – Request to levy an additional amount to certain residential permits for deposit into the Alabama Construction Trade Academy Fund – Cale Smith, City Manager.

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

**Ordinance No.**

**(An Ordinance to levy an additional amount to certain residential permits for deposit into the Alabama Construction Trade Academy Fund)**

Mayor Andress stated that, without objection, this item would be carried over to the June 8, 2026 Council Meeting for the second reading.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 16.05.26 – Request for consideration of approval of vouchers for period of May 12, 2026 through May 18, 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. 26-55**

**(A Resolution for approval of vouchers for period of May 12, 2026 through May 18, 2026)**

Councilor Lane moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-55. 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.

The next item considered under Other New Business was Item No. 17.05.26 – Request to vacate a portion of public right-of-way consisting of a 20-foot alley located between 115 Morris Boulevard and 117 Morris Boulevard – Wyatt Pugh, Chief Building Official.

Mayor Andress stated that a Public Hearing would be set for June 22, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

The next item considered under Other New Business was Item No. 18.05.26 – Request for consideration of ABC 020 – Restaurant Retail Liquor License for Little Donkey / CMD LLC at 2701 18<sup>th</sup> Street S Suite 105 – Bo Seagrist, City Clerk.

Councilor Sims moved for having no objections to the issuance of the license pending letter of no objection from the Fire Department. 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. 10.05.26 – Request to execute an easement agreement with McConnell, White and Terry Realty, Inc.

to allow for irrigation and landscaping as part of the US 31 Pedestrian Tunnel Project – Amy Zari, City Engineer.

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

**Resolution No. 26-56**

**(A Resolution for an easement agreement with McConnel, White and Terry Realty, Inc. to allow for irrigation and landscaping as part of the US 31 Pedestrian Tunnel)**

Councilor Armstead moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-56. 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.

At this time, Mayor Andress and Representative David Faulkner presented Proclamations to the Homewood Highschool Boys Track and Field Team.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was, on a motion, duly made, adjourned at 6:37 p.m.