MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF

THE CITY OF HOMEWOOD, ALABAMA

June 8, 2026

The City Council of the City of Homewood, Alabama convened in Regular Session on Monday, June 8, 2026 at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Andress at 6:01 p.m.

The invocation was given by Bo Seagrst, City Clerk, after which the pledge of allegiance was given.

Upon Roll Call, the following were present: Paul Simmons, Nick Sims, Chris Lane, 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: Winslow Armstead.

At this time, Councilor Sims moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of May 18, 2026, and approve them as presented. 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.

BOARD VACANCIES AND APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Andress stated that, as a reminder, the Ward 2 Environmental Council position was open 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. 11.05.26 Request permission to consider an early retirement incentive – Cale Smith, City Manager; 14.05.26 Request for consideration to sign FEMA HMP Resolution – Bo Seagrist, City Clerk; 05.06.26 Request permission to sign an agreement with the BJCTA to provide micro-transit – Cale Smith, City Manager; 06.06.26 Request for consideration of revisions to the Abatement Board Ordinance – Wyatt Pugh, Chief Building Official; 07.06.26 Request to allow the City Manager to execute agreement with CB&A Construction, LLC for the construction of the US 31 Pedestrian Tunnel Improvement Project – Amy Zari, City Engineer; 08.06.26 Request for consideration of Budget Amendment for US 31 Pedestrian Tunnel Improvement Project – Amy Zari, City Engineer.

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.

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.

At this time, the first reading of the proposed Ordinance was presented for consideration at 6:06 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance 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)

Mayor Andress called the Public Hearing to Order at 6:09 p.m.

Conrad Garrison addressed the Council regarding this item.

Mayor Andress then opened the Public Hearing for Public Comment. The following residents addressed the Council regarding this item: Margaret Virdan Hill; Kristy McKinney; Kelsey Cotton; Linda Foster.

Mayor Andress then closed the Public Hearing at 6:18 p.m.

The Council then held discussion.

Mayor Andress stated that, without objection, this item would be carried over to the June 22, 2026 Council Meeting for the second reading.

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.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 17.05.26 – Public Hearing set for June 22, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. for consideration 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 this item would be carried over for the Public Hearing set for June 22, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 06.05.26 – Request to delegate limited authority to the City Manager regarding budget transfers – Cale Smith, City Manager (Carried Over 5/18/26).

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

Resolution No. 26-57

(A Resolution to delegate limited authority to the City Manager regarding budget transfers)

Councilor Simmons moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-57. Councilor Lane seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. The Council then held discussion.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Old 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 (First Reading held and Carried Over 5/18/26).

Mayor Andress stated that, as a reminder, the first reading was held at the May 18, 2026 Council Meeting.

At this time, the proposed Ordinance was presented for the Council's consideration.

Ordinance No. 2976

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

Councilor Lane moved for approval. 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 roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Simmons, Sims, Lane, and Andress.

The motion carried without dissent.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 13.05.26 – Request to execute agreement with Poole & Co Architects for A/E services – construction documents for Public Works site at 187 Citation Court – Amy Zari, City Engineer.

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

Resolution No. 26-58

(A Resolution to execute agreement with Poole & Co Architects for A/E services – construction documents for Public Works site at 187 Citation Court)

Councilor Sims moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-58. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. The Council then held discussion.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 15.05.26 – Request consideration to allow a retaining wall to extend into the city right-of-way adjacent to 303 Ridge Road – Wyatt Pugh, Chief Building Official.

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

Resolution No. 26-59

(A Resolution to allow a retaining wall to extend into the city right-of-way adjacent to 303 Ridge Road)

Councilor Lane moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-59. 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. 09.06.26 – Request for consideration of ABC 020 – Restaurant Retail Liquor License for HGI Wildwood LLC / Hilton Garden Inn at 520 Wildwood Circle N– Bo Seagrist, City Clerk.

Councilor Simmons moved for having no objections to the issuance of the license. 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.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 10.06.26 – Request for consideration of approval of vouchers for period of May19, 2026 through June 8, 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. 26-60

(A Resolution for approval of vouchers for period of May 19, 2026 through June 8, 2026)

Councilor Simmons moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-60. Councilor Lane seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. The Council then held discussion.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No.11.05.26 – Request permission to consider an early retirement incentive – Cale Smith, City Manager.

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

Resolution No. 26-61

(A Resolution for early retirement incentive)

Councilor Sims moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-61. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. The Council then held discussion.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 14.05.26 – Request for consideration to sign FEMA HMP Resolution – Bo Seagrist, City Clerk.

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

Resolution No. 26-62

(A Resolution for FEMA HMP)

Councilor Sims moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-62. 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.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 05.06.26 – Request permission to sign an agreement with the BJCTA to provide micro-transit – Cale Smith, City Manager.

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

Resolution No. 26-63

(A Resolution for an agreement with the BJCTA to provide micro-transit)

Councilor Sims moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-63. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. The Council then held discussion.

On a voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 06.06.26 – Request for consideration of revisions to the Abatement Board Ordinance – Wyatt Pugh, Chief Building Official.

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

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance for revisions to the Abatement Board Ordinance)

Councilor Sims moved for the unanimous consent of the proposed Ordinance as read. 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 roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Paul Simmons, Nick Sims, Chris Lane, and Jennifer Andress.

The motion for unanimous consent carried.

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

Ordinance No. 2977

(An Ordinance for revisions to the Abatement Board Ordinance)

Councilor Sims moved to approve the proposed Ordinance as read. 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 roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Paul Simmons, Nick Sims, Chris Lane, and Jennifer Andress.

The motion carried without dissent.

Mayor Andress stated that the following items under Other New Business would be considered together: Item No. 07.06.26 – Request to allow the City Manager to execute agreement with CB&A Construction, LLC for the construction of the US 31 Pedestrian Tunnel Improvement Project – Amy Zari, City Engineer; and Item 08.06.26 – Request for consideration of Budget Amendment for US 31 Pedestrian Tunnel Improvement Project – Amy Zari, City Engineer.

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

Resolution No. 26-64

(A Resolution to allow the City Manager to execute agreement and budget transfer for CB&A Construction, LLC for the construction of the US 31 Pedestrian Tunnel Improvement Project)

Councilor Lane moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-64. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion. The Council then held discussion.

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.