

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

July 13, 2026

The City Council of the City of Homewood, Alabama convened in Regular Session on Monday, July 13, 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 Councilor Winslow Armstead, after which the pledge of allegiance was given.

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

At this time, Councilor Sims moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of June 22, 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, as a reminder, that the application period was open for the Ward 1, 2, and 3 as well as two supernumerary positions of the Abatement Board until July 27, 2026.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

At this time, Mayor Andress amended the published Council Agenda to add the following items to Other New Business: 02.07.26 Request to authorize City Manager to sign a Good Neighbor Pledge for Daxko – Cale Smith, City Manager; 13.07.26 Request permission for council to authorize the mayor to execute a resolution in support of the Friends of Shades Creek Grant application – Cale Smith, City Manager; 14.07.26 Request authorization for the City Manager to execute a \$5,000 grant award for the Homewood Fire Department – Cale Smith, City Manager.

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. 08.05.26 – Public Hearing held 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.

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

Resolution No. 26-68

(A Resolution to vacate a portion of the unnamed alley adjacent to 200 Virginia Drive)

Councilor Sims moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-68. 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 Old Business was Item No. 17.05.26 – Public Hearing held 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.

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

Resolution No. 26-69

(A Resolution to vacate a portion of public right-of-way consisting of a 20-foot alley located between 115 Morris Boulevard and 117 Morris Boulevard)

Councilor Simmons moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-69. 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 carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 02.06.26 – Request for consideration of Ordinance to repeal Chapter 2, Article II, Section 2-29 of the Code of Ordinances relating to the lying over of money measures – Keith Jackson, City Attorney.

Mayor Andress stated that, as a reminder, the first reading was held at the June 22, 2026 Council Meeting.

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

Ordinance No. 2981

(An Ordinance to repeal Chapter 2, Article II, Section 2-29 of the Code of Ordinances relating to the lying over of money measures)

Councilor Sims moved for approval. 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.

The motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 01.06.26 – Request for consideration of Ordinance relating to municipal budget changes, establishing requirements for the adoption of Ordinances approving any change to the Annual Budget – Keith Jackson, City Attorney.

Mayor Andress stated that, as a reminder, the first reading was held at the June 22, 2026 Council Meeting.

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

Ordinance No. 2982

(An Ordinance relating to municipal budget changes, establishing requirements for the adoption of Ordinances approving any change to the Annual Budget)

Councilor Simmons 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.

The motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 03.06.26 – Request for consideration of revisions to the Historic Preservation Commission Ordinance – Bo Seagrist, City Clerk.

Mayor Address stated that, as a reminder, the first reading was held at the June 22, 2026 Council Meeting.

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

Ordinance No. 2983

(An Ordinance for revisions to the Historic Preservation Commission Ordinance)

Councilor Simmons moved for approval. 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.

The motion carried without dissent.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 12.06.26 – Request for consideration for Homewood Forest Preserve work in the Right of Way – Mayor Address.

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

Resolution No. 26-70

(A Resolution for Homewood Forest Preserve work in the Right of Way)

Councilor Sims moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-70. 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 voice vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 13.06.26 – Request to set a Public Hearing for consideration to rezone the western portion of 1832 25th Court South, comprising approximately 2,079 sq. ft., from I-2, Institution District to an NPD, Neighborhood Preservation District zoning classification in order to make it consistent with the majority of the lot's current zoning designation – Wyatt Pugh, Chief Building Official / Conrad Garrison, Zoning Administrator.

Mayor Address stated that this item would be carried over.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 14.06.26 – Request for consideration to stripe yield line and install yield signs at Rumson Rd & Yorkshire Dr intersection – Amy Zari, City Engineer.

At this time, the first reading of the proposed Ordinance was presented for consideration at 6:14 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance to stripe yield line and install yield signs at Rumson Rd & Yorkshire Dr intersection)

Mayor Andress stated that, without objection, this item would be carried over to the July 27, 2026 Council Meeting for consideration.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 16.06.26 – Public Hearing set for July 27, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. for consideration of declaring the property at 405 Woodvale Lane a public nuisance – Scott Cook, Code Enforcement.

Mayor Andress stated that the Public Hearing would be carried over for the Public Hearing set for July 27, 2026 at 6:00 p.m..

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 17.06.26 – Request to declare miscellaneous vehicles and furniture surplus – Blake Graves, Fleet Maintenance Director.

At this time, the first reading of the proposed Ordinance was presented for consideration at 6:16 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance to declare miscellaneous vehicles and furniture surplus)

Councilor Armstead moved for the unanimous consent of 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, Winslow Armstead, and Jennifer Andress.

The motion for unanimous consent carried.

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

Ordinance No. 2984

(An Ordinance to declare miscellaneous vehicles and furniture surplus)

Councilor Armstead 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, Winslow Armstead, and Jennifer Andress.

The motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 19.06.26 – Request for consideration to execute Agreement for 185 Oxmoor Rd Parking Lot Project – Amy Zari, City Engineer.

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

Resolution No. 26-71

(A Resolution to execute Agreement for 185 Oxmoor Rd Parking Lot Project)

Councilor Simmons moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-71. 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 carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Other New Business was Item No. 15.07.26 – Request for consideration of approval of vouchers for period of June 23, 2026 through July 13, 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. 26-72

(A Resolution for approval of vouchers for period of June 23, 2026 through July 13, 2026)

Councilor Armstead moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-72. 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. 02.07.26 Request to authorize City Manager to sign a Good Neighbor Pledge for Daxko – Cale Smith, City Manager.

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

Resolution No. 26-73

(A Resolution to authorize City Manager to sign a Good Neighbor Pledge for Daxko)

Councilor Armstead moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-73. 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. 13.07.26 Request permission for council to authorize the mayor to execute a resolution in support of the Friends of Shades Creek Grant application – Cale Smith, City Manager.

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

Resolution No. 26-74

(A Resolution to authorize the mayor to execute a resolution in support of the Friends of Shades Creek Grant application)

Councilor Armstead moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-74. 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. 14.07.26 Request authorization for the City Manager to execute a \$5,000 grant award for the Homewood Fire Department – Cale Smith, City Manager.

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

Resolution No. 26-75

(A Resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute a \$5,000 grant award for the Homewood Fire Department)

Councilor Sims moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-75. 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.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was, on a motion, duly made, adjourned at 6:32 p.m.