MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF

THE CITY OF HOMEWOOD, ALABAMA

October 12, 2026

The City Council of the City of Homewood, Alabama convened in Regular Session on Monday, October 12, 2026 at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

At this time, Mayor Andress then presented a Proclamation recognizing October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Mayor Andress then presented a Proclamation recognizing October as National Pharmacist Month.

Mayor Andress then presented a Proclamation recognizing October as Down Syndrome Awareness Month.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Andress at 6:14 p.m.

The invocation was given by Bo Seagrist, City Clerk, after which the pledge of allegiance was given by Troop 79 of All Saints.

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, City Attorney. Absent: None.

At this time, Councilor Sims moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of September 28, 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

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The first item on the Agenda was Item No. 18.09.26 Request for Right-of-Way Encroachment Approval for Drainage and Irrigation Improvements at 300 Edgewood Boulevard – Wyatt Pugh, Building Official; 19.09.26 Request for Right-of-Way Encroachment Approval for Drainage and Irrigation Improvements at 302 Edgewood Boulevard – Wyatt Pugh, Building Official; 01.10.26 Request to authorize the City Manager to execute Lease Agreement with the Chamber of Commerce – Cale Smith, City Manager; 02.10.26 Request to authorize the City Manager to sign an agreement with Opengov – Aspen Collins, Finance Director; 03.10.26 Request to authorize the City Manager to sign a division of sale proceeds agreement – Cale Smith, City Manager; 05.10.26 Request to set bid date for Interchange mowing – Berkley Squires, Public Services Director; 12.10.26 Request for consideration for the city manager to sign a facilities use agreement with H&H eats – Cale Smith, City Manager; 08.10.26 Request to set public hearing for property at 823 Greens Springs – Conrad Garrison, Zoning Administrator; 13.10.26 Request for consideration of an ABC 020 – Restaurant Retail Liquor for Jinsei Sushi at 1830 29th Ave S, Suite 125.

Councilor Armstead moved to approve the amended Council Agenda. 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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The first item on the Agenda was Item No. 19.07.26 – Public Hearing set for September 28, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. for consideration to review and recommend approval of an amendment to the City's Zoning Ordinance pertaining to Article II, Definitions, to add the use of "Minor Vehicle Repair" – Wyatt Pugh, Chief Building Official.

Mayor Andress stated that, as a reminder, the Public Hearing and first reading were held at the September 28, 2026 Council Meeting.

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

Ordinance No. 2997

(An Ordinance amending the City's Zoning Ordinance pertaining to Article II, Definitions, to add the use of "Minor Vehicle Repair")

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.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 08.08.26 – Public Hearing set for October 12, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. for approval of a Final Development Plan for "The Woods", a proposed golf-oriented outdoor entertainment venue in West Homewood – Wyatt, Pugh, Building Official.

At this time, the first reading of the proposed Ordinance was presented for consideration at 6:34 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance approving a Final Development Plan for "The Woods", a proposed golf-oriented outdoor entertainment venue in West Homewood")

Mayor Andress called the Public Hearing to Order at 6:36 p.m.

Conrad Garrison addressed the Council regarding this item.

Mayor Andress then opened the Public Hearing for Public Comment. The following addressed the Council: Doug Gann, John Durham, Josh Wright, Lee Pantazis, and Tom Walker.

Mayor Andress then closed the Public Hearing at 6:44 p.m.

The Council then held discussion.

Mayor Andress stated that this item would be carried over for consideration at the October 26, 2026 Council Meeting.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 09.08.26 – Public Hearing set for October 12, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. for approval of a Final Development Plan for Samford University's proposed South Campus Student Housing development – Wyatt, Pugh, Building Official.

At this time, the first reading of the proposed Ordinance was presented for consideration at 6:45 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance approving a Final Development Plan for Samford University's proposed South Campus Student Housing development)

Mayor Andress called the Public Hearing to Order at 6:46 p.m.

Conrad Garrison addressed the Council regarding this item.

Mayor Andress then opened the Public Hearing for Public Comment. The following addressed the Council: Colin Coyne of Samford.

Mayor Andress then closed the Public Hearing at 6:49 p.m.

The Council then held discussion.

Mayor Andress stated that this item would be carried over for consideration at the October 26, 2026 Council Meeting.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 21.09.26 – Public Hearing set for October 26, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. to declare property at 1622 26th Avenue S a Public Nuisance due to excessive growth – Scott Cook, Code Enforcement.

Mayor Andress stated that this item would be carried over for the Public Hearing set for October 26, 2026.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 22.09.26 – Public Hearing set for October 26, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. to declare property at 1600 Berry Road a Public Nuisance due to excessive growth – Scott Cook, Code Enforcement.

Mayor Andress stated that this item would be carried over for the Public Hearing set for October 26, 2026.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 23.09.26 Public Hearing set for October 26, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. to declare property at 304 Mecca Avenue a Public Nuisance due to excessive growth – Scott Cook, Code Enforcement.

Mayor Andress stated that this item would be carried over for the Public Hearing set for October 26, 2026.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 24.09.26 Public Hearing set for October 26, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. to declare property at 139 State Farm Parkway a Public Nuisance due to excessive growth – Scott Cook, Code Enforcement.

Mayor Andress stated that this item would be carried over for the Public Hearing set for October 26, 2026.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 09.10.26 - Request to set a Public Hearing to declare property at 1625 26th Avenue S a Public Nuisance due to excessive growth – Scott Cook, Code Enforcement.

Mayor Andress stated that the Public Hearing would be set for November 23, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 10.10.26 - Request to set a Public Hearing to declare property at 136 Carr Avenue a Public Nuisance due to excessive growth – Scott Cook, Code Enforcement.

Mayor Andress stated that the Public Hearing would be set for November 23, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 11.10.26 - Request to set a Public Hearing to declare property at 1616 Barry Avenue a Public Nuisance due to excessive growth – Scott Cook, Code Enforcement.

Mayor Andress stated that the Public Hearing would be set for November 23, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 08.10.26 - Request to set a Public Hearing for property at 823 Green Spring – Conrad Garrison, Zoning Administrator.

Mayor Andress stated that the Public Hearing would be set for November 23, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 07.10.26 – Request for consideration of approval of vouchers for period of September 29, 2026 through October 12, 2026 – J.J. Bischoff, Chief of Staff; Kellie Lee, Accountant; Aspen Collins, Finance Director.

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

Resolution No. 26-115

(A Resolution for approval of vouchers for period of September 29, 2026 through October 12, 2026)

Councilor Simmons moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-115. 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 was Item No. 18.09.26 – Request for Right-of-Way Encroachment Approval for Drainage and Irrigation Improvements at 300 Edgewood Boulevard – Wyatt Pugh, Building Official (Carried Over 9/28/26).

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

Resolution No. 26-116

(A Resolution for Right-of-Way Encroachment Approval for Irrigation Improvements at 300 Edgewood Boulevard)

Councilor Sims moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-116 with proper indemnification agreements. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

Mayor Andress asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion.

Councilor Armstead moved to separate the irrigation request from the sump pump request. Councilor Lane seconded the motion.

Councilor Sims then moved to amend his motion to approve the work in the right of way for the irrigation. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

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

On a voice vote, the motion carried on a vote of 3-2. Councilor Armstead and Mayor Andress voted no.

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

Resolution No. 26-117

(A Resolution for Right-of-Way Encroachment Approval for Drainage Improvements at 300 Edgewood Boulevard)

Councilor Sims moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-117 with proper indemnification agreements. 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 on the Agenda was Item No. 19.09.26 – Request for Right-of-Way Encroachment Approval for Drainage and Irrigation Improvements at 302 Edgewood Boulevard – Wyatt Pugh, Building Official (Carried Over 9/28/26).

Councilor Armstead moved to separate the irritation from the sump pump request. 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.

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

Resolution No. 26-118

(A Resolution for Right-of-Way Encroachment Approval for Irrigation Improvements at 302 Edgewood Boulevard)

Councilor Lane moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-118 with proper indemnification agreements. 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 on a vote of 3-2. Councilor Armstead and Mayor Andress voted no.

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

Resolution No. 26-119

(A Resolution for Right-of-Way Encroachment Approval for Drainage Improvements at 302 Edgewood Boulevard)

Councilor Simmons moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-119 with proper indemnification agreements. 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 was Item No. 01.10.26 – Request to authorize the City Manager to execute Lease Agreement with the Chamber of Commerce – Cale Smith, City Manager.

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

Resolution No. 26-120

(A Resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute Lease Agreement with the Chamber of Commerce)

Councilor Armstead moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-120. 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 was Item No. 02.10.26 – Request to authorize the City Manager to sign an agreement with Opengov – Aspen Collins, Finance Director.

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

Resolution No. 26-121

(A Resolution to authorize the City Manager to sign an agreement with Opengov)

Councilor Armstead moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-121. 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 was Item No. 13.10.26 – Request for consideration of an ABC 020 – Restaurant Retail Liquor for Jinsei Sushi at 1830 29th Ave S, Suite 125.

Councilor Lane moved for having no objections to the issuance of the license. 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 was Item No. 03.10.26 – Request to authorize the City Manager to sign a division of sale proceeds agreement – Cale Smith, City Manager.

Mayor Andress stated that this item would be taken out of order at the end of the meeting.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 05.10.26 – Request to set bid date for Interchange mowing – Berkley Squires, Public Services Director.

Mayor Andress stated that the Bid Date would be set for November 30, 2026 at 4:31 p.m.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 12.10.26 – Request for consideration for the city manager to sign a facilities use agreement with H&H eats – Cale Smith, City Manager.

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

Resolution No. 26-122

(A Resolution authorizing the city manager to sign a facilities use agreement with H&H)

Councilor Armstead moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 26-122. 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.

ORDINANCES

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 10.09.26 – Request to install speed cushions on Hambaugh Avenue between Columbiana Road and Dixon Ave, and on Dixon Avenue between Broadway Street and Hambaugh Avenue – Amy Zari, City Engineer.

Mayor Andress stated that, as a reminder, the Public Hearing and first reading were held at the September 28, 2026 Council Meeting.

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

Ordinance No. 2998

(An Ordinance to install speed cushions on Hambaugh Avenue between Columbiana Road and Dixon Ave, and on Dixon Avenue between Broadway Street and Hambaugh Avenue)

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.

On a roll call vote, the votes were: Yay: Simmons, Sims, Lane, Armstead, and Andress. Nay: none. The motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 11.09.26 – Request for consideration of Rescinding Ordinance 1883 related to Restrictive Parking on 18th Street – Councilor Lane.

At this time, the first reading of the proposed Ordinance was presented for consideration at 7:17 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance Repeal Section 2 and Amend Section 4 of Ordinance 1883 related to Restrictive Parking on 18th Street)

Mayor Andress stated that this item would be carried over for consideration at the October 26, 2026 Council Meeting.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 20.09.26 – Request to amend Ordinance 2051 and Ordinance 2654 to extend Level 3 Communications, LLC's telecommunications franchise – Bo Seagrist, City Clerk.

At this time, the first reading of the proposed Ordinance was presented for consideration at 7:22 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 2051 and Ordinance 2654 to extend Level 3 Communications, LLC's telecommunications franchise)

Mayor Andress stated that this item would be carried over for consideration at the October 26, 2026 Council Meeting.

The next item on the Agenda was Item No. 06.10.26 – Request to conduct city manager performance evaluation – Kim Kinder, HR Director.

At this time, each Council member spoke regarding this item. Cale Smith then addressed the Council.

The next item on the Agenda was Item 03.10.26 - Request to authorize the City Manager to sign a division of sale proceeds agreement – Cale Smith, City Manager.

Mayor Andress stated that as per City Attorney, this item could be addressed in Executive Session as it concerns potential litigation.

Councilor Sims moved to enter into Executive Session. Councilor Armstead seconded the motion.

On a roll call vote, the votes were: Yay: Simmons, Sims, Lane, Armstead, and Andress. Nay: none. The motion carried without dissent.

The Council entered into Executive Session at 7:46 p.m.

Councilor Armstead moved to reconvene into Regular Session. Councilor Simmons seconded the motion.

The Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:11.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was, on a motion, duly made, adjourned at 8:17 p.m.