

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

October 13, 2025

The City Council of the City of Homewood, Alabama convened in Regular Session on Monday, October 13, 2025 at City Hall at 6:00 p.m.

At this time, the Mayor presented a proclamation for Down Syndrome Advocacy Month.

The Mayor then presented a proclamation for Columbus Day and Italian American Heritage Month.

The Mayor then presented a proclamation for National Pharmacist's Month.

The meeting was called to order by President Pro-Tempore Smith at 6:01 p.m.

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

Upon Roll Call, the following were present: Andy Gwaltney, Melanie Geer, Nick Sims, Jody Brant, Barry Smith, Jalete Nelms, Jennifer Address, and John Hardin, constituting a quorum of Council members. Also present were: Mayor Alex Wyatt; Glen Adams, City Manager; and Bo Seagrist, City Clerk. Absent: Carlos Alemán, Andrew Wolverton, and Walter Jones.

At this time, Councilor Nelms moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of September 29, 2025 and approve them as presented. Councilor Geer seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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 Nelms moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of September 30, 2025 and approve them as presented. Councilor Geer seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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 Gwaltney moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Special Issues Committee Meeting of September 22, 2025 and approve them as presented. Councilor Geer seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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 Gwaltney moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting of October 6, 2025 and approve them as presented. Councilor Geer seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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 Gwaltney moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting of October 6, 2025 and approve them as presented. Councilor Geer seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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 Gwaltney moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Public Works Committee Meeting of October 6, 2025 and approve them as presented. Councilor Geer seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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 Gwaltney moved to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the Planning and Development Committee Meeting of October 6, 2025 and approve them as presented. Councilor Geer seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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

President Pro-Tempore Smith stated that the application period for a Supernumerary position of the BZA would be opened until November 24, 2025.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Gwaltney moved to approve the amended Council Agenda. Councilor Andress seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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

23.09.25 Request for consideration of Fiscal Policy – **Glen Adams, City Manager**

Action Taken: The Finance Committee voted 5-0 to drop this item. The motion was made by Councilor Carlos Alemán and seconded by Councilor John Hardin.

27.09.25 Request consideration to work in the right-of-way to install steps and handrail at 421 Devon Drive – **Andrew Hershy, Owner / Wyatt Pugh, Building Official**

Action Taken: The Public Works Committee voted 5-0 to recommend dropping this item. The motion was made by Councilor Jalete Nelms and seconded by Councilor John Hardin.

28.09.25 Request consideration to close the road through Brookwood Village through April 2027 for construction of the Andrews Sports Medicine facility – **Kevin Lovoy, Brasfield & Gorrie / Wyatt Pugh, Building Official**

Action Taken: The Public Works Committee voted 5-0 to recommend dropping this item. The motion was made by Councilor Melanie Geer and seconded by Councilor Nick Sims.

12.02.25 Request for consideration to rezone property at 101-109 Hugh Circle, consisting of 9 residential lots (including Hugh Circle ROW) and comprising 7.07 acres (PID # 28-00-18-4-000-007.000 – 28-00-18-4-

000-015.000) from NPD (Neighborhood Preservation District) to PR-2 (Planned Residential District to facilitate the development of a Senior Living housing community. Applicant: Kadre Engineering, LLC / Owner: The First Baptist Church of Birmingham (The Planning Commission had a vote of 2-5 for an unfavorable recommendation) – **Cale Smith, PE (Tabled 6/16/25)**

Action Taken: The Committee voted 5-0 to recommend taking this item off the table. The motion was made by Councilor Jaleté Nelms and seconded by Councilor Andy Gwaltney.

Action Taken: The Committee then voted 5-0 to recommend dropping this item. The motion was made by Councilor Jaleté Nelms and seconded by Councilor Andy Gwaltney.

13.02.25 Request for consideration of a Final Development Plan for property at 101-109 Hugh Circle, consisting of 9 residential lots (including Hugh Circle ROW) and comprising 7.07 acres (PID # 28-00-18-4-000-007.000 – 28-00-18-4-000-015.000) for the planned construction of the Lakeshore Senior Living housing development, to include a three-story assisted living / memory care facility, 24 independent living rental cottages, and a community clubhouse, as well as associated parking, landscaping and other site improvements. Applicant: Kadre Engineering, LLC / Owner: The First Baptist Church of Birmingham (The Planning Commission had a vote of 2-5 for an unfavorable recommendation) – Cale Smith, PE (Tabled 6/16/25)

Action Taken: The Committee voted 5-0 to recommend taking this item off the table. The motion was made by Councilor Jaleté Nelms and seconded by Councilor Andy Gwaltney.

Action Taken: The Committee then voted 5-0 to recommend dropping this item. The motion was made by Councilor Andy Gwaltney and seconded by Councilor Jaleté Nelms.

Councilor Nelms moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilor Hardin seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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 next item, taken out of order, under Old Business was Item No. 12.09.25 – Request for consideration of an ordinance related to strengthening regulations related to encampment – Councilor Gwaltney (Carried Over 9/29/25 after First Reading).

President Pro-Tempore Smith stated that, as a reminder, the first reading was held at the September 29, 2025 Council Meeting.

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

Ordinance No. 2955

(An Ordinance related to strengthening regulations related to encampment)

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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 roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Councilors Gwaltney, Geer, Sims, Brant, Smith, Nelms, Andress, and Hardin.

The motion carried without dissent.

The first item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 08.09.25 – Bid Date held on October 2, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. for the Shades Creek Greenway Trailhead Pavilion – Cale Smith, PE.

Councilor Smith stated that the Finance Committee met on October 6, 2025 and voted 4-0 to recommend approval of accepting bid from Coston Construction.

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

Resolution No. 25-179

(A Resolution to install a retaining wall in the right-of-way at 602 Warwick Road)

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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. 09.09.25 – Request for consideration of Fiber Optic Franchise Agreement with Lumos – Mike Kendrick, City Attorney.

President Pro-Tempore Smith stated that, as a reminder, the first reading was held at the September 29, 2025 Council Meeting.

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

Ordinance No. 2956

(An Ordinance for a Fiber Optic Franchise Agreement with Lumos)

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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 roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Councilors Gwaltney, Geer, Sims, Brant, Smith, Nelms, Andress, and Hardin.

The motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 18.09.25 – Request to set a Bid Date on October 30, 2025 at 3:01 p.m. for the Homewood Public Library Phase IV Renovation project – Cale Smith, PE / Judith Wright.

Councilor Smith stated that the Finance Committee met on October 6, 2025 and voted 5-0 to recommend setting a bid date for October 30, 2025 at 3:01 p.m..

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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. 19.09.25 – Request to set a Bid Date on October 30, 2025 at 3:01 p.m. for the Central Avenue TAP Multi-Modal Facility – Cale Smith, PE.

Councilor Smith stated that the Finance Committee met on October 6, 2025 and voted 5-0 to recommend setting a bid date for October 30, 2025 at 3:01 p.m..

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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. 20.09.25 – Request for a new annual facilities use agreement to host events on the city hall plaza - Dave Horn, SoHo Social, SoHo Taco (H&H Eats, LLC) / Wyatt Pugh, Building Official.

Councilor Smith stated that the Finance Committee met on October 6, 2025 and voted 5-0 to recommend approval.

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

Resolution No. 25-180

(A Resolution for a new annual facilities use agreement to host events on the city hall plaza - Dave Horn, SoHo Social, SoHo Taco (H&H Eats, LLC)

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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. 21.09.25 – Request for consideration of Budget Amendment – Bo Seagrist, City Clerk.

Councilor Smith stated that the Finance Committee met on October 6, 2025 and voted 5-0 to recommend approval.

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

Resolution No. 25-181

(A Resolution for Budget Amendments)

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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. 22.09.25 – Request for consideration of renewal of commercial lease with Waldrep, Stewart, and Kendrick, LLP for City Hall's third floor – J.J. Bischoff Director.

Councilor Smith stated that the Finance Committee met on October 6, 2025 and voted 5-0 to recommend approval.

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

Resolution No. 25-182

(A Resolution for renewal of commercial lease with Waldrep, Stewart, and Kendrick, LLP for City Hall's third floor)

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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. 24.09.25 – Request for consideration of City Manager Contract and Budget Authorities – Glen Adams, City Manager.

Councilor Smith stated that the Finance Committee met on October 6, 2025 and voted 5-0 to recommend approval.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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. 25.09.25 – Request for consideration of Franchise Agreement with Uniti Fiber Gulfco, LLC – Mike Kendrick, City Attorney.

Councilor Smith stated that the Finance Committee met on October 6, 2025 and voted 5-0 to recommend approval.

At this time, Mr. Kendrick presented the first reading of the proposed Ordinance for the Council's consideration at 6:34 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance for Franchise Agreement with Uniti Fiber Gulfco, LLC)

Councilor Gwaltney moved for the unanimous consent of the proposed Ordinance as read. Councilor Nelms seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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: Councilors Gwaltney, Geer, Sims, Brant, Smith, Nelms, Address, and Hardin.

The motion for unanimous consent carried.

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

Ordinance No. 2957

(An Ordinance for Franchise Agreement with Uniti Fiber Gulfco, LLC)

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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 roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Councilors Gwaltney, Geer, Sims, Brant, Smith, Nelms, Address, and Hardin.

The motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 32.09.25 – Request for consideration to add Police Substation at city hall – Mayor Alex Wyatt.

Councilor Smith stated that the Finance Committee met on October 6, 2025 and voted 5-0 to recommend approval.

At this time, Mr. Kendrick presented the first reading of the proposed Ordinance for the Council's consideration at 6:38 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance to add Police Substation and parking at city hall)

Councilor Gwaltney moved for the unanimous consent of the proposed Ordinance as read. Councilor Address seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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: Councilors Gwaltney, Geer, Sims, Brant, Smith, Nelms, Address, and Hardin.

The motion for unanimous consent carried.

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

Ordinance No. 2958

(An Ordinance to add Police Substation and parking at city hall)

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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 roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Councilors Gwaltney, Geer, Sims, Brant, Smith, Nelms, Andress, and Hardin.

The motion carried without dissent.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 17.09.25 – Request for consideration of an ordinance to raise court fines – Laura Roberts, Court Administrator.

Councilor Gwaltney moved to drop this item. Councilor Gwaltney seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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. 26.09.25 – Request to authorize a “No Parking Anytime” restriction around the center circle at Wingate Circle – Cale Smith, PE / Randy Hambley.

Councilor Gwaltney stated that the Public Safety Committee met on October 6, 2025 and voted 5-0 to recommend approval.

At this time, Mr. Kendrick presented the first reading of the proposed Ordinance for the Council's consideration at 6:42 p.m.:

Ordinance No.

(An Ordinance to authorize a “No Parking Anytime” restriction around the center circle at Wingate Circle)

Councilor Andress moved for the unanimous consent of the proposed Ordinance as read. Councilor Sims seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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: Councilors Gwaltney, Geer, Sims, Brant, Smith, Nelms, Address, and Hardin.

The motion for unanimous consent carried.

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

Ordinance No. 2959

(An Ordinance to authorize a "No Parking Anytime" restriction around the center circle at Wingate Circle)

President Pro-Tempore Smith asked if the Council had any questions or comments regarding the motion from the Public Safety Committee. There was no response from the Council.

On a roll call vote, the votes were: Yeas: Councilors Gwaltney, Geer, Sims, Brant, Smith, Nelms, Address, and Hardin.

The motion carried without dissent.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 01.10.25 - Request to set a Public Hearing for consideration of an Amended Development Plan for the proposed renovation and expansion of the existing Piggly Wiggly grocery store – Cale Smith / Schoel Engineering.

President Pro-Tempore Smith stated that without objection, the Public Hearing would be set for November 24, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 02.10.25 - Request to set a Public Hearing for consideration of rezoning the subject property, located at 1629 29th Court South, from C-1, Office Building District to an I-2, Institution zoning classification consistent with the other adjacent properties owned by the Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church – Cale Smith / Chris Eckroate, Caprine Engineering.

President Pro-Tempore Smith stated that without objection, the Public Hearing would be set for November 24, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 03.10.25 - Request to set a Public Hearing for consideration of an Amended Development Plan for Brookwood Village to permit the renovation of a portion of the Mall as a site for new Medical / Office shell space, as well as the provision of additional parking for the adjacent Andrews Sports Medicine – Cale Smith / Alex Pattillo, Schoel Engineering.

President Pro-Tempore Smith stated that without objection, the Public Hearing would be set for November 24, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 04.10.25 - Request to set a Public Hearing for consideration of a Final Development Plan for the planned construction of a Valvoline Instant Oil Change facility within the Green Springs shopping center – Cale Smith / HFA – AE.

President Pro-Tempore Smith stated that without objection, the Public Hearing would be set for November 24, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

The next item on the Agenda under Old Business was Item No. 05.10.25 - Request for consideration of approval of vouchers for period of September 30, 2025, through October 13, 2025 – J.J. Bischoff, Chief of Staff.

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

Resolution No. 25-183

(A Resolution for approval of vouchers for period of September 30, 2025, through October 13, 2025)

Councilor Gwaltney moved for the adoption and enrollment of Resolution No. 25-183. Councilor Andress seconded the motion.

President Pro-Tempore Smith 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Wyatt addressed the Council and presented a Proclamation to Councilors Jalete Nelms and Barry Smith for their service on the Council.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was, on a motion, duly made, adjourned at 7:19 p.m.