

SUMMARY OF FY2006 CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS

ORDINANCE NUMBER	DATE ADOPTED	SUMMARY
Ord. #2005-0821	June 22, 2005	Adoption of Interim Spending Plan Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2005.
Ord. #2005-0820	June 22, 2005	Ordinance approving Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2006 (July 1, 2005-June 30, 2006)
Motion #2004-0520	June 22, 2005	Identify additional funding for additional staffing in the Disabilities Department.
Motion #2005-0523	June 22, 2005	Maintain the current level of funding for the arts.
Motion #2005-0524	June 22, 2005	The administration to fund additional staff positions for Parades/Street Functions and report back to Council concerning the plan.
Motion #2005-0526	June 22, 2004	The administration look to establish a policy for recover of cost related to downtown policing responsibilities through the establishment of a stakeholders steering committee.
Motion #2005-0527	June 22, 2005	Direct CEFD to analyze event-parking rates in the Theater District and the surrounding area and make a recommendation regarding possible rate increases as a means of reducing theater-operating losses.
Motion #2005-0534	June 22, 2004	The City of Houston Health Department shall study the feasibility and financial structure of combining the Harris County Rabies/Animal Control and the City of Houston Bureau of Animal Control and Care.
Motion #2005-0535	June 22, 2005	Present to the appropriate Committee within 90 days of the passage of the City of Houston Budget, a City Ordinance that would require all pet adoption facilities and pet sales enterprises to collect the city of Houston pet license fee.
Motion #2005-0536	June 22, 2005	Appropriate any necessary funds to the Health Department that would allow BARC to accept free chip scanners in order to scan all incoming stray animals collected.
Motion #2005-0537	June 22, 2005	Conduct a review of all fees charged by BARC to ensure that costs are covered and that fees designed to incentives behavior are appropriately set.
Motion #2005-0538	June 22, 2005	That as soon as feasible and if possible, within 90 days, the Fire Department, with an independent review, will present an estimate of it's cost and effectiveness of training in the current system compared to other alternatives that may be available, and that the administration make a recommendation concerning whether to recommend what changes, if any, should be made to training to assure the greatest effectiveness, economies and the diversity of the individuals entering that training.

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Motion #2005-0539	June 22, 2005	Fund a study that speaks to the Management of HFD; to include, but not limited to, an Assessment Center and Sensitivity Training. Mayor White advised that the administration would not oppose the amendment and would in good faith build upon what was done and access things in the Tri Data Study that could be implemented and which had not been implemented.
Motion #2005-0542	June 22, 2005	Conduct a pilot project where HFD and Health Department officials target neighborhoods with disproportionate number of emergency calls for EMS calls reduction in to dependency to 911.
Motion #2005-0544	June 22, 2005	Require the Housing and Community Development Department to provide City Council with quarterly reports on available Homeless and Housing Bonds Funds.
Motion #2005-0545	June 22, 2005	Fund a study on the local income median in relation to the income median used in the formula that determines Affordable Housing Requirements.
Motion #2005-0546	June 22, 2005	The City of Houston will cap city spending for the Safe Clear program at the current level. After clarifying on the record that the cap of city spending would apply only to General Fund dollars \$879,000, excluding grant monies, Metro money and money paid by the tow operators, a vote was called.
Motion #2005-0548	June 22, 2005	Amend the Police Special Service Fund to separate and adequately explain all funds associated with the Safe Clear Program and the Red Light Camera program.
Motion #2005-0550	June 22, 2005	Transfer the Lyons Avenue HPD Storefront (District H) to Denver Harbor Multi-Service Center (District I). Council Member Garcia is in agreement.
Motion #2005-0552	June 22, 2005	Municipal Court Administration must seek reimbursement of State court costs on Non-Sufficient Funds (NSF) checks. When a fine check is received, the COH pays the State court costs, up to \$73 per offense. If the check comes back as NSF, MCA does not seek reimbursement of the court costs from the State. This amount totaled nearly \$1 million in un-reimbursed payments to the State, over the past 5 years. The State credits current year obligations, with a credit up to 5 years prior.
Motion #2005-0553	June 22, 2005	Municipal Courts Administration must change their policy on Non-Sufficient (NSF) checks to include sending a certified letter, which cites the Penal Code and state that in 10 days, if payment is not received, that matter will be referred for criminal prosecution.
Motion #2005-0554	June 22, 2005	Fund a study of Public Parking in Urban and/or Dense Communities, relating to accessibility, creation and development.

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Motion #2005-0555	June 22, 2005	Support increasing the technology fee on municipal court dispositions from \$4 to \$8 in the next legislation session.
Motion #2005-0563	June 22, 2005	Public Works Department - Implement an ordinance revision establishing a grease trap permitting process, which establishes trap cleaning standards.
Motion #2005-0569	June 22, 2005	Implement the expansion joint/crack sealing program in the Public Works Department.
Motion #2005-0570	June 22, 2005	Relating to the joint/crack sealing program in the Public Works Department be amended to reflect that the program be funded from the Street and Bridge Construction fund (No.405) for \$500,000.00.
Motion #2005-0572	June 22, 2005	The city is developing a policy within 90 days that would establish usage under street and bridge projects for Fund 405.
Motion #2005-0574	June 22, 2005	Consider an asphalt recycling process to repave major arterial roads. The process recovers two inches of the existing roadway and processes it as reconditioned asphalt. Machines are used to heat, mill, and rejuvenate the top two inches of a road surface and then redistribute the material.
Motion #2005-0575	June 22, 2005	Present to the appropriate Committee within 90 days of the passage of the City of Houston Budget a written policy regarding Storm Damage Clean up procedures.
Motion #2005-0577	June 22, 2005	The City of Houston shall amend the FY06 budget to retain the budgetary and accounting functions for city council on a full-time basis within the Finance and Administration Department Budget and Evaluation Division.
Motion #2005-0578	June 22, 2005	Place CIP Program Management for 2007-2011 in the Mayor's Office. Council Member Goldberg by consent amended his motion to reflect "Mayor's Office."
Motion #2005-0580	June 22, 2005	Adopt a policy requiring Strategic Purchasing to utilize the Reverse Auction process on commodities procurement contracts on as many opportunities as practical. Currently, Reverse Auction has been used on approximately 42% of eligible procurement contracts (23 of 55). Indicates a potential savings of hundreds of thousands of dollars.
Motion #2005-0581	June 22, 2005	The administration should report back to Council within a year for each department for the department's multi year budget goals and planning processes, to include facility use.
Motion #2005-0585	June 22, 2005	Direct the Finance and Administration Department to create an ordinance, for a fee based uniform process, to allow the placement of Cell Phone Antennas on City property. (Potential revenues of up to 5 million dollars a year for the City of Houston.)

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Motion #2005-0586	June 22, 2005	Direct the Finance and Administration and Information Technology Departments to investigate and place a RFP to consolidate the repairs of all Motorola Radios within the City Departments such as HPD, HFD, Emergency Services and PWE. (Potential savings of 2 million annually.)
Motion #2005-0587	June 22, 2005	Present to the appropriate Committee an outline of guidelines and policies for below fair-market leases or rentals of City property within 90 days of the passage of the City of Houston Budget.
Motion #2005-0588	June 22, 2005	That the City would study a plan t combine all City of Houston permits into one application and allow applicants to receive permits for a three-year period.
Motion #2005-0589	June 22, 2005	Analyze a policy to revise the competitive procurement process to give preference to qualified local vendors.
Motion #2005-0590	June 22, 2005	Analyze for the development of a policy that increased expenditures in the Civic Art Program for the district from where the funds were generated.
Motion #2005-0592	June 22, 2005	The city will conduct a meeting six months into FY2006 to confirm that amendments approved during the budget process have been implemented.
Motion #2005-0593	June 22, 2005	Establish program criteria for nonprofits to apply for funding from the city.
Motion #2005-0595	June 22, 2005	Performance Measures must remain the same when departmental dollars are transferred, unless Council approval is given.
Motion #2005-0597	June 22, 2005	Conduct a study to determine feasibility of a regional centralized radio Management system partnering with Harris County and other public safety agencies.
Motion #2005-0598	June 22, 2005	Finance and Administration - Future Cable TV agreements must serve entire city.
Motion #2005-0599	June 22, 2005	Finance and Administration - Expand COH fleet programs to reduce emissions - (PWE and Solid Waste already implementing these initiatives) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Retrofits with exhaust after-treatment devices b. Use of alternative fuels c. Repowering (engine replacement) d. Scrapping and replacement older equipment e. Engine repairs and rebuilds to maximize performance

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Motion #2005-0603	June 22, 2005	The administration shall authorize a study to create a tunnel connecting the new Superblock Park to its proposed underground parking garage, the George R. Brown Convention Center and the Hilton Americas Hotel. The tunnel will also serve as a work of art or a showcase for art. Artwork would be included in the civic art plan and would be purchased with a portion of 1.75% set aside in the CIP for civic art.
Motion #2005-0605	June 22, 2005	Review the pricing structure of all municipal golf courses to ensure that they are economical and competitive.
Motion #2005-0607	June 22, 2005	Transfer the Wesley House & Irvington Village HPD Storefront's to a new Carnegie Library/3-1-1/HPD Storefront 5
Motion #2004-0609	June 22, 2005	Increase CIP planning from 5 year rolling cycle to 7-10 year rolling cycle.