

AGENDA - COUNCIL MEETING - TUESDAY - JUNE 19, 2012 - 1:30 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBER - SECOND FLOOR - CITY HALL
901 BAGBY - HOUSTON, TEXAS
with notes of action taken

MOTIONS – 2012-0452 to 2012-0528
ORDINANCES – 2012-0568 to 2012-0589
RESOLUTION – None

2012-0451-1

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Council Member Burks

1:30 P. M. - ROLL CALL

ADOPT MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

2:00 P. M. - PUBLIC SPEAKERS - Pursuant to City Council Rule 8, City Council will hear from members of the public; the names and subject matters of persons who had requested to speak at the time of posting of this Agenda are attached; the names and subject matters of persons who subsequently request to speak may be obtained in the City Secretary's Office

Motion 2012-0452 – Procedural motion
Motion 2012-0453 – Procedural motion
Motion 2012-0454 – Procedural motion
Motion 2012-0455 – Procedural motion
Motion 2012-0456 – Procedural motion

5:00 P. M. - RECESS

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WEDNESDAY - JUNE 20, 2012 - 9:00 A. M.

DESCRIPTIONS OR CAPTIONS OF AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE READ BY THE
CITY SECRETARY PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT

MAYOR'S REPORT

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 25

MISCELLANEOUS - NUMBER 1

1. **Motion 2012-0457**
REQUEST from Mayor for confirmation of the reappointment of **MR. DENNIS J. STOREMSKI**, to Position One of the **GREATER HARRIS COUNTY 911 EMERGENCY NETWORK BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for a term to expire September 30, 2013

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ACCEPT WORK - NUMBERS 2 and 3

2. **Council Member Green tagged**

RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$89,329.00 and acceptance of work on contract with **HUFF AND MITCHELL, INC** for FY2010 Work Orders and On-Call Construction Local Drainage Projects 94.75% under the original contract amount

3. **Council Members Adams and Green tagged**

RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$3,864,725.01 and acceptance of work completed by the **Surety, LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY** on contract awarded to **SOUTH COAST CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Kirby Drive from West Airport to Sims Bayou and Mowery Road from Edwina to future Kirby Drive - 8.71% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT D - ADAMS**

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBERS 4 through 7

4. **Motion 2012-0458**

AMEND MOTION #2007-742, 7/3/07, TO EXTEND the expiration date from July 9, 2012 to July 8, 2013, for Firefighter Uniforms for the Fire Department, awarded to **LONE STAR UNIFORMS, INC, STERLING'S PUBLIC SAFETY, OUTDOOR OUTFITS** and **LION APPAREL**

5. **Pulled - Not Considered**

ORDINANCE appropriating \$200,000.00 out of Fire Consolidated Construction Fund for Purchase of Construction Services for Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning System Replacements at Fire Station Nos. 7, 28, 51 and the Val Jahnke Training Facility for the General Services Department

a. **Pulled - Not Considered**

BASELINE PAVING AND CONSTRUCTION, INC for Construction Services for Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning System Replacements at Fire Station Nos. 7, 28, 51 and the Val Jahnke Training Facility through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Harris County Department of Education for General Services Department - \$195,519.75 and contingencies for a total amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 - **DISTRICTS D - ADAMS; J - LASTER and I - RODRIGUEZ**

6. **Ordinance 2012-0568**

ORDINANCE appropriating \$343,908.00 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund; authorizing and approving Enterprise Enrollment Agreement with **MICROSOFT** for Software for Mobile Data Computers for the Houston Police Department

a. **Motion 2012-0459**

DELL MARKETING, L.P. for Microsoft Enterprise Agreement for Mobile Data Computers through the Texas Department of Information Resources for the Houston Police Department - 3 Years \$1,031,724.00 Total - General and Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Funds

7. **Council Member Green tagged**

APPROVE spending authority to Address Emergency Repair of Water Line Breaks in an amount not to exceed \$1,425,000.00 for the Department of Public Works & Engineering, **T CONSTRUCTION LLC** - \$1,350,000.00 and **AVILES ENGINEERING CORPORATION** - \$75,000.00 - Enterprise Fund

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 8 through 25

8. Council Members Noriega and Hoang tagged

ORDINANCE **AMENDING CHAPTER 28 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, HOUSTON, TEXAS** by adding a new Article XI relating to adult establishments; imposing a fee on adult establishments and providing for the use of funds generated from such fees

9. Ordinance 2012-0569

ORDINANCE finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of (1) Cornish Street, from Patterson Street east to its terminus, (2) Raiff Street, from Interstate Highway 10 to Cornish Street, and (3) Thompson Street, from Interstate Highway 10 to its terminus into White Oak Bayou, all in the John Austin Survey, A-1, Harris County, Texas; vacating and abandoning said public street rights-of-way - **DISTRICT C - COHEN**

10. Ordinance 2012-0578

ORDINANCE amending Exhibit "A" of City of Houston Ordinance No. 2011-625 by adding eight Engineer/Operator positions; substituting the amended exhibit as part of the current Fire Department Classified Personnel Ordinance

11. Ordinance 2012-0570

ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between the City and **TEXAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE INTERGOVERNMENTAL RISK POOL ("TML")** and the purchase of Radio Equipment and Tower Insurance Policy from TML - 1 Year - \$125,959.00 - Property and Casualty Fund

12. Ordinance 2012-0579

ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2009-0650 to establish a maximum contract amount for contract between the City and **BREAD OF LIFE, INC** for Evening Homeless Resolution Services and support; approving and authorizing first amendment to above contract - \$260,000.00 Community Health and Assessment Fund - **DISTRICTS D - ADAMS and I - RODRIGUEZ**

13. Ordinance 2012-0571

ORDINANCE amending City of Houston Ordinance No. 2012-196, approving third amendment to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER THIRTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (OLD SIXTH WARD ZONE)**

14. Ordinance 2012-0572

ORDINANCE appropriating \$36,784.81 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for purchase of Capital Equipment for the Fleet Management Department

15. Council Member Green tagged

ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract by and between the City of Houston and **EVALUATION SYSTEMS FOR PERSONNEL, INC** for Mystery Shopping Services for the Houston Airport System; providing a maximum contract amount - 5 years - \$436,262.76 Enterprise Fund - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and I - RODRIGUEZ**

16. Ordinance 2012-0580

ORDINANCE appropriating \$2,923,423.72 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation to contract between the City of Houston and **ITRON, INC** for Radio Automated Meter Reading System and Fixed Network /Advanced Meter Infrastructure System (Approved by Ordinance No. 1998-0575); providing funding for construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund

ORDINANCES - continued

17. Council Member Laster tagged

ORDINANCE appropriating \$40,391.45 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF as an additional appropriation for Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC** for Intelligent Transportation Systems (Approved by Ordinance No. 2010-0667); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF - **DISTRICTS A - BROWN; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; H - GONZALEZ; I - RODRIGUEZ and J - LASTER**

18. Ordinance 2012-0573

ORDINANCE appropriating \$933,880.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF as an additional appropriation to Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **ATKINS NORTH AMERICA, INC d/b/a ATKINS** for Martin Luther King Boulevard Reconstruction from IH-610(S) to Bellfort Street (Approved by Ordinance No. 2011-0368); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF - **DISTRICT D - ADAMS**

19. Ordinance 2012-0574

ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,650,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF; awarding contract to **METRO CITY CONSTRUCTION, L.P.** for Briar Drive and 12522 Old Oaks Drainage Improvements; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF - **DISTRICT G - PENNINGTON**

20. Ordinance 2012-0575

ORDINANCE awarding contract to **ENVIROWASTE SERVICES GROUP, INC** for Storm Sewer Cleaning for Large Diameter Pipe Project Work Order; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines - \$297,150.00 Enterprise Fund

21. Ordinance 2012-0576

ORDINANCE awarding contract to **CLEANSERVE, INC** for Storm Sewer Cleaning and Television Inspection for Small Diameter Pipe Project Work Order Contract FY2012; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines \$750,000.00 - Enterprise Fund

22. Ordinance 2012-0581

ORDINANCE appropriating \$13,370,387.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF, \$3,640,496.00 from Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and \$1,154,017.00 from Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **WEBBER, LLC** for Homestead Road Grade Separation at Union Pacific Railroad Tracks; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF, Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT B - DAVIS**

ORDINANCES - continued

23. Ordinance 2012-0577

ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,657,816.57 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF, awarding contract to **TOTAL CONTRACTING LIMITED** for Overlay/Rehabilitation Project: Dairy Ashford Road from Westheimer Road to Buffalo Bayou; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering testing services, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF - **DISTRICT G - PENNINGTON**

24. Ordinance 2012-0582

ORDINANCE appropriating \$12,300,600.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **OSCAR RENDA CONTRACTING, INC** for Northside Sewer Relief Tunnel Rehabilitation Area No. 4; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and H - GONZALEZ**

25. Council Member Adams tagged

ORDINANCE appropriating \$3,114,700.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **DCE CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Waterline Replacement in Spring Shadows-East Area; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT A - BROWN**

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 26 through 34A

26. Council Member Costello tagged

MOTION by Council Member Bradford/Seconded by Council Member Adams to adopt recommendation from Director Finance Department to approve the Fiscal Year 2013-2017 Capital Improvement Plan and establish a charge of \$75.00 plus postage for the adopted CIP documents and a charge of \$5.00 plus postage for CD version - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS GREEN, NORIEGA and BRADFORD**
This was Item 8 on Agenda of June 13, 2012

27. Motion 2012-0460 – Refer back to the Administration

RESOLUTION approving the creation of the **HARRISBURG REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**; approving the Certificate of Formation and the Bylaws thereof; confirming the appointment of the initial Directors and Chairperson - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; H - GONZALEZ and I - RODRIGUEZ**
TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER RODRIGUEZ
This was Item 27 on Agenda of June 13, 2012

MATTERS HELD - continued

28. Ordinance 2012-0583

ORDINANCE authorizing the sale of a partial interest in 801 Gillette Street, Houston, Texas, to **COASTAL WATER AUTHORITY** for Environmental Remediation purposes in consideration of its payment to the City of \$11,000,000.00, management of the environmental remediation of the property, and other consideration; approving a Purchase Agreement and a Co-ownership Agreement; designating a fund for excess remediation costs - **DISTRICT C - COHEN** – **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS SULLIVAN, ADAMS, BROWN, NORIEGA and BRADFORD**

This was Item 30 on Agenda of June 13, 2012

29. Ordinance 2012-0584

ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2011-274 to increase the maximum contract amount; approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City and **FIRST SOUTHWEST COMPANY** for Financial Advisory Services - \$171,052.63 - General Fund **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BROWN**

This was Item 31 on Agenda of June 13, 2012

30. Ordinance 2012-0585

ORDINANCE authorizing the creation and execution of Industrial District Agreements by and between the City of Houston, Texas, and various property owners located in and around the Ship Channel Navigation District and Jacintoport Areas within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City **DISTRICTS E - SULLIVAN and I - RODRIGUEZ** - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SULLIVAN**

This was Item 35 on Agenda of June 13, 2012

Motion 2012-0461 – Motion to postpone Item 31 for one (1) week – “FAILED”

31. Ordinance 2012-0586

ORDINANCE appropriating \$297,479.00 out of General Improvement Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding construction contract to **GULF COAST LANDSCAPE SERVICES, INC** for Miller Outdoor Theatre Irrigation Improvements; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering and testing services, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by General Improvement Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT D - ADAMS** **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BROWN**

This was Item 37 on Agenda of June 13, 2012

32. Ordinance 2012-0587

ORDINANCE appropriating \$600,000.00 out of Airports Improvement Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Architectural/Engineering Services Agreement between the City of Houston and **PARSONS ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE GROUP** for Job Order Contracting Support for the Houston Airport System (Project 516H) - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; E - SULLIVAN and I - RODRIGUEZ** - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GREEN**

This was Item 39 on Agenda of June 13, 2012

33. Ordinance 2012-0588

ORDINANCE awarding contract to **HOWARD TREY RON DISTRIBUTORS, INC** for Ice Machine Rental Services for Various Departments; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$1,234,665.60 - General, Enterprise and Special Revenue Funds

POSTPONED BY MOTION 2012-450, 6/13/12

This was Item 59 on Agenda of June 13, 2012

FISCAL YEAR 2013 BUDGET MATTERS HELD

34. Motions 2012-0462 to 2012-0526

Consideration of proposed amendments to Item 34A below, submitted in writing on June 13, 2012 by Council Members Costello, Burks, Noriega, Christie, Brown, Davis, Cohen, Adams, Sullivan, Pennington, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Laster and Green, as set forth in the attached Exhibits (Amendments will be considered in the order of a matrix prepared by the Administration)

a. Ordinance 2012-0589 – Adopt as amended

ORDINANCE related to the Fiscal Affairs of the City; approving the annual budgets of the City of Houston, Texas, for Fiscal Year 2013, including provisions for future adjustment to certain fund balances; making various amendments to the proposed budgets; authorizing certain transfers; designating a Cash Reserve in the Fund Balance; amending Section 11-77 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas relating to Burglar Alarm Fees and Penalties; validating and ratifying certain City fees; establishing a cost for copies of the budget; making other provisions related to the subject; making certain findings related thereto; providing a repealing clause; providing for severability - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GONZALEZ**

This was Item 56 on Agenda of June 13, 2012

MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS - Council Member Noriega first

ALL ORDINANCES ARE TO BE CONSIDERED ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS AND TO BE PASSED ON ONE READING UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, ARTICLE VII, SECTION 7, CITY CHARTER

NOTE - WHENEVER ANY AGENDA ITEM, WHETHER OR NOT ON THE CONSENT AGENDA, IS NOT READY FOR COUNCIL ACTION AT THE TIME IT IS REACHED ON THE AGENDA, THAT ITEM SHALL BE PLACED AT THE END OF THE AGENDA FOR ACTION BY COUNCIL WHEN ALL OTHER AGENDA ITEMS HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED

CITY COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO TAKE UP AGENDA ITEMS OUT OF THE ORDER IN WHICH THEY ARE POSTED IN THIS AGENDA. ALSO, AN ITEM THAT HAS BEEN TAGGED UNDER CITY COUNCIL RULE 4 (HOUSTON CITY CODE §2-2) OR DELAYED TO ANOTHER DAY MAY BE NEVERTHELESS CONSIDERED LATER AT THE SAME CITY COUNCIL MEETING

6/19/2012 - Council Member Sullivan absent on City business
Council Member Costello absent on person business
6/20/2012 - All Present

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Note: Additional information will be provided on budget amendments that were noted that a substitute was adopted or an amendment was made

Line Number	Amendment Number	Amendment	Council Member
	1.01 Motion 2012-0462	If fiscal year 2013 general fund revenues exceed the projected \$1,890,624,430, the first \$2,000,000 in excess revenues shall be used to fund an independent third-party analysis of citywide process improvements and all Long-Range Financial Management Task Force suggestions related to pension sustainability. Based on this analysis, the independent third party will also provide a plan for implementation of recommended process improvements and steps to strengthen the financial security of the City's three pension systems.	Costello (1)
	1.02 Motion 2012-0463	Provide \$160,000 for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) outreach. Within 90 days, the City of Houston will contract with the Houston Food Bank to increase the number of SNAP participants in Houston. The Houston Food Bank is the only State-certified subcontractor (outside a State field office) eligible to issue SNAP electronic benefits transfer cards. Funds will be used to pay for trained staff to identify, assist, and distribute benefits to eligible SNAP participants. This is intended to be a one-time source of funding to pay for staff salaries for a period of one year until such time the Houston Food Bank may apply for Community Development Block Grant funding. The source of funds for this purpose will be grant/private funding to be determined by the administration.	Costello (1)
	2.01 Motion 2012-0464	Consolidate all City Department FTE's that provide IT services into the Information Technology Department while increasing the ITD Budget with the corresponding and appropriate funding. There shall also be periodic reporting to the TTI Committee regarding the progress towards this goal.	Burks (2)
	2.02 Motion 2012-0465	The Ethics, Elections, and Council Governance Committee (EECG) shall create a Charter Amendment ballot proposition for consideration by City of Houston voters that would increase the current two year term of Mayor and Councilmembers to a four year term, without changing the effect of term limits. This action would reduce the Operating Budget every two years by at least \$3,000,000.	Burks (2)

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	<p>3.01 Motion 2012-0466</p>	<p>The IT Department shall evaluate methods and the cost/savings to the City's general fund to provide electronic delivery of Agenda and Committee documents. Electronic access must be available to Council Members and staff 24 hours a day and at all City Council and Committee meetings. The Director of IT shall provide his findings and recommendations to the TTI Committee and the Administration no later than November 16, 2012.</p>	<p>Noriega (3)</p>
	<p>5.01 Motion 2012-0468</p>	<p>If the combination of property tax and sales tax revenues in Fiscal Year 2013 exceeds the projected \$1,477,570,000, all revenues over projection must be applied towards funding the City's general fund contributions to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board actuarially required contribution for the Houston Municipal Employees Pension System; the Houston Police Officers' Pension System; and the Houston Firefighters Relief and Retirement Fund.</p>	<p>Christie (5)</p>
	<p>5.02 Withdrawn</p>	<p>All Departments – General Fund: The Department of Finance shall monitor all budgeted civilian vacancy FTEs, including full-time, part-time, and over-time positions, and their corresponding annualized salaries, on a monthly basis and will adjust the department budgets accordingly. The adjustments shall be reflected in the Monthly Financial Operations Report to Council.</p>	<p>Christie (5)</p>
	<p>5.03 Motion 2012-0470</p>	<p>All Departments – General Fund: Any FTE position that has gone unfilled for more than 3 months as of July 1, 2012 shall be eliminated. Reinstatement of the position will be made only with written justification and budgetary impact to be submitted to the Mayor or the Mayor's designee for approval.</p>	<p>Christie (5)</p>
	<p>6.01 Motion 2012-0471 – Failed</p>	<p>Outsource EMS 120003, which would immediately free \$372,411,448 from our budget which is approximately 19.13%.</p>	<p>Brown (6)</p>
	<p>6.02 Motion 2012-0472 – Failed</p>	<p>Consolidate HPD support operations 100003 of \$136,059,344 and investigative operations 100005 of \$137,228,928 into Harris County Sheriff department thus saving the city an estimated \$273,288,272 which is approximately 14.04%.</p>	<p>Brown (6)</p>
	<p>6.03 Motion 2012-0473 – Failed</p>	<p>Take Parks and Recreation 360001, 360002, 360004, 360007, 360008, 360009, 360013, and 360015 and relinquish control over to county, citizens, or private sector. This would save \$64,402,537 or approximately 3%.</p>	<p>Brown (6)</p>

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	<p>6.04 Motion 2012-0474 – Failed</p>	<p>Terminate the Housing and Community Development 32002 and 32004 for \$2,429,478 (which is a 392% increase from the FY2012 budget and mainly all for salaries).</p>	<p>Brown (6)</p>
	<p>6.05 Motion 2012-0475 – Failed</p>	<p>Default on the City’s contribution to the Pension Plans 501070, 501080, and 501090 for a total of \$243,704,464 (xv-29) so that the issue will be moved before the Texas Supreme Court to bring to question the state constitutionality of forcing a municipality into bankruptcy by obliging them to maintain an unsustainable pension plan.</p>	<p>Brown (6)</p>
	<p>6.06 Mayor ruled out of order</p>	<p>Suspend the issuance of all General Obligation Bonds until the budget is balanced and all (both pension and general funds) accumulated deficits are liquidated. Default on all Tax Bonds for a total of \$244,561,336 (xiv-6). It is the fiduciary responsibility of investment banks and advisors to know their financial risk before taking them.</p>	<p>Brown (6)</p>
	<p>6.07 Withdrawn</p>	<p>The City will take on or commission one or more independent consulting firms to perform efficiency and effectiveness audits to cover the cities entire operations. They should focus on a cost benefits approach, doing a realistic inventory of city-wide needs then attack on a needs first basis. (These firm(s) should be barred from contracting work with the City as a result of their recommendations.)</p>	<p>Brown (6)</p>
	<p>6.08 Motion 2012-0476 – Failed</p>	<p>On page vii the Organization Chart shows the citizens at the top in charge of the city supported by equal positions of City Council, Mayor, and City Controller. In reality, the city currently is run by Public Sector Unions, supported by a mayor who has sole authority and dictates the agenda which is then voted on by the City Council who is bullied into loyalty and/or criticized and/or ostracized. We must either change the organization chart within the budget to reflect the true nature of the City or the City must change her operation to reflect the proposed Organization Chart. I propose we fund a study as to the feasibility of changing the City Charter to provide a professional City Manager.</p>	<p>Brown (6)</p>
	<p>6.09 Motion 2012-0477 – Failed</p>	<p>The Pay 500010, 500020 500030, 500040, 500060, 500070, 500090, 500110, 500120, 500150, 500160, 500170, 500180, 500190, 500210, and Benefits 503010, 503015, 503020, 503025, 503040, 503050, 503060, 503061, 503070, 503080, 503090, 503100, 503110, of City, Fire, and HPD employees should be comparable to those provided in the private sector.</p>	<p>Brown (6)</p>

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	6.10 Mayor ruled out of order	Approximately 2/3 of all employees live outside city limits – the city will look into possibly requiring or only hiring first responders who live within the city limits so that they have “skin-in-the-game!”	Brown (6)
	6.11 Motion 2012-0478 – Failed	Increase the over-65/disabled exemption by \$9,138 to \$80,000.	Brown (6)
	6.12 Motion 2012-0479 - Failed	Decrease the water rate 20%.	Brown (6)
	7.01 Motion 2012-0480	The Houston Police Department will allocate a portion of the revenue generated in the Asset Forfeiture Fund to the Environmental Investigations Unit in order to meet the unit’s present need for additional resources to address their manpower shortage. Funding should be used for overtime pay or technology options that will address the unit’s current need for additional manpower to combat illegal dumping throughout the city. Council will work with the Administration, Houston Police Department, and the Environmental Investigations Unit to determine the actual funding amount to be allocated from the Asset Forfeiture Fund to the Environmental Investigations Unit.	Davis (7)

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<p>7.02 Motion 2012-0481 – Adopt Substitute</p>		<p>Within 30 days the Administration shall establish an Illegal Dumping Task Force (IDTF). The objective of the task force shall be to develop a set of recommendations to reduce the incidence of illegal dumping.</p> <p>The Illegal Dumping Task Force membership shall include, but is not limited to staff from the Houston Police Department, Solid Waste Department, Mayor's Office of Sustainability, 3 Council Members, County, State, and Federal officials, and other members of the community that the Mayor deems appropriate.</p> <p>The Illegal Dumping Task Force shall examine and make recommendations related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improving interagency coordination• Expanding public education and prevention efforts• Identifying the gaps in ordinances and laws for authority and enforcement; deciding if new ordinances or laws are needed to ensure effective enforcement.• Increasing support for the prosecution of environmental crimes <p>The Illegal Dumping Task Force shall meet regularly to examine and make recommendations to address the objective and until such a time that the Mayor deems the Task Force no longer appropriate.</p>	<p>Davis (7)</p>
	<p>8.01 Motion 2012-0482 – Tabled</p>	<p>I respectfully request that the administration place an item on the next available council agenda to amend Chapter 28 of the Code of Ordinances by adding a new Article XI which will implement the Sexual Assault Forensic Evaluation ordinance with the goal of clearing the rape kit backlog. The ordinance will establish a \$5 fee on operators of adult entertainment establishments. The revenue generated will be used to fund the processing of pending Houston Police Department sexual assault kits and excess funds, if any, shall be dedicated to fund the ongoing processing of sexual assault kits at the Houston Forensic Science Center.</p>	<p>Cohen (8)</p>

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	9.01 Motion 2012-0483 – Tabled	Within 90 days the Legal Department will work with the Planning Department to present the Model Deed Restriction Program, as approved by council during 2011 budget year. The Legal/Planning Department will provide a set of legally enforceable deed restrictions language for neighborhoods to choose in order to renew or implement deed restrictions in the City of Houston neighborhoods	Adams (9)
	9.02 Motion 2012-0484 – Tabled	Within 90 days, the Department of Neighborhoods and the Legal Department shall coordinate to establish an ordinance and registry program which will address all rental properties in the City of Houston which do not require a certificate of occupancy. The ordinance and registry program is intended to increase the ability of the City of Houston to enforce code violations in rental properties and prevent the properties from creating dangerous conditions for the inhabitants. The program would require owners to register their rental properties with the City and give the City the authority to inspect the premises.	Adams (9)
	9.03 Withdrawn	Legal will review terms limits to two four year terms for City Council and Mayor.	Adams (9)
	9.04 Withdrawn	HPD will budget for five PSO's out of the 28 new hires for the 2013 Budget. The PSO will be responsible for staffing Police Store Fronts.	Adams (9)
	9.05 Motion 2012-0485 – Table to committee	In 90 Days HPD will view cost to have Technology for Houston Sobering Center to communicate with the Homeless Information Management Systems to track the return of clients who frequently are detained in the center and referred out to various agencies.	Adams (9)
	9.06 Motion 2012-0486 – Adopt	ARA and Legal will view the current regulations on 8 Liner Operators. Provide information on whether 8 Liner Establishments can be regulated to certain hours of operations.	Adams (9)
	9.07 Withdrawn	DON has funding for 5 Community Outreach Employees. Total funding for these positions are 334, 624.00. Requesting DON Director to reclassify these positions to include a Council Liaison.	Adams (9)
	9.08 Motion 2012-0487 – Adopt	In 90 Days HFD will present to Public Safety Committee an update on All Hazard Response to see if the change in how HFD response to emergencies decreased or increased the response times. Also review the current policy on the use of the 8 BLS units that were removed from out of service 2010 budget year and the cost of overtime saved.	Adams (9)

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	9.09 Withdrawn	In 30 days provide Council with the report of the Street Surface Assessment Vehicle.	Adams (9)
	9.10 Withdrawn	Provide \$160,000 for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) outreach. Within 90 days, the City of Houston will contract with the Houston Food Bank to increase the number of SNAP participants in Houston.	Adams (9)
	10.01 Withdrawn	Require all libraries to be open for full service on Saturdays with a minimum of four hours.	Sullivan (10)
	10.02 Motion 2012-0488 – Adopt	Provide staffing for the Proclamation Office, which will allow a two week turnaround on proclamations.	Sullivan (10)
	10.03 Motion 2012-0489 – Failed	Exempt the Kingwood community trails and parks from all costs and fees associated with Proposition 1/ Renew Houston / Rebuild Houston, aka: Drainage Fee.	Sullivan (10)
	10.04 Motion 2012-0490 – Adopt substitute	Require all organizations securing a parade permit to pay for Houston Police Department services at 100% reimbursement cost.	Sullivan (10)
	10.05 Motion 2012-0491 – Failed	Reduce City Council pay by five percent.	Sullivan (10)
	10.06 Motion 2012-0492 – Failed	Reduce Mayor's pay by five percent.	Sullivan (10)
	10.07 Withdrawn	Purchase three utility carts and trailers, similar to utility cart #103, and deploy in each quadrant of the Houston Fire Department.	Sullivan (10)
	10.08 Withdrawn	Cap Audiovisual Supplies allocation to the actual expenditures in FY11.	Sullivan (10)
	10.09 Withdrawn	Cap Education and Training allocation to the estimated expenditures in FY12.	Sullivan (10)
	10.10 Withdrawn	Cap Contract/Sponsorship allocation to the estimated expenditures in FY12.	Sullivan (10)
	10.11 Motion 2012-0493 - Adopt	Eliminate funding for Tuition Reimbursements. (not required by contract)	Sullivan (10)
	10.12 Withdrawn	Cap Building Maintenance Service allocation to the FY12 Current Budget.	Sullivan (10)
	10.13 Withdrawn	Cap Miscellaneous Other Services and Charges allocation to the estimated expenditures in FY 12.	Sullivan (10)
	10.14 Withdrawn	Cap Mail / Delivery Services allocation to the estimated expenditures in FY12.	Sullivan (10)
	10.15 Withdrawn	Cap Temporary Personnel Services allocation to the FY11 proposed budget.	Sullivan (10)
	10.16 Motion 2012-0494 – Tabled for further discussion	Cut Advertising Services allocation by fifty percent.	Sullivan (10)
	10.17 Withdrawn	Cap Computer Hardware and Developed Software purchases to FY11 actual expenditures.	Sullivan (10)
	10.18 Withdrawn	Limit Infrastructure Budget Item under Equipment to estimated FY12 expenditures.	Sullivan (10)

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10.19 Motion 2012-0495 – Failed	Eliminate Funding for Affirmative Action Monitoring.	Sullivan (10)
10.20 Motion 2012-0496 – Tabled for one (1) more week	Conduct a thorough traffic and mobility study in the Clear Lake portion of District E, similar to the Parsons study conducted in December 2004.	Sullivan (10)
10.21 Motion 2012-0497 – Adopt	Maintain Funding for Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership at \$100,000 for FY13.	Sullivan (10)
10.22 Motion 2012-0498 – Tabled	Increase funding to HFD so annual inspection of common attics can be made at all multi-family projects.	Sullivan (10)
10.23 Motion 2012-0499 – Tabled	Purchase and install thirty-one back-up power generators for Kingwood lift stations.	Sullivan (10)
10.24 Motion 2012-0500 – Failed	Discontinue the practice of city departments paying permit fees to other city departments.	Sullivan (10)
10.25 Motion 2012-0501 – Adopt	Review take-home vehicle policy for all non-public safety personnel, and if there have been no after-hours call out within the last 30 days (or pick some other arbitrary period of time) evaluate the need for that employee to continue to take a vehicle home. Consider a vehicle allowance, or reimbursement policy, for any legitimate city business for after hours use as an alternative policy.	Sullivan (10)
10.26 Withdrawn	Restore staffing levels of 3-1-1 service to provide 24/7 services to the public.	Sullivan (10)
10.27 Motion 2012-0502 – Tabled to committee	Provide staffing in Sign Administration Department for 7 days per week enforcement personnel.	Sullivan (10)

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	<p>12.01 Withdrawn</p>	<p>As early as it is practicable during FY2013 and to the extent there are funds available, the Administration shall, with the approval of City Council where necessary, hire one or more experienced private firms to conduct a review and audit of the City's three Pension systems, the City's Health Care benefits, and conduct performance and process improvement audits for each city department.</p> <p>The Pension Systems and Health Care audits shall include information on benefits paid by governmental units and private businesses of similar size and which exist in similar economic conditions such as cost of living, level of education, and training required.</p> <p>The department audits shall include, but not be limited to, reviewing information on the appropriate ratio of management personnel to employees, appropriate salaries for the duties required, the possibility of using volunteers or part time employees to perform duties, determining whether certain city services can be performed more economically through outsourcing, and any other review deemed necessary for the City to perform its duties as efficiently and cost-effectively as possible when the City does not already have that current data. The consultant's work shall include in-person interviews with employees at multiple levels of employment to ascertain the overall attitude of the department personnel regarding efficiency and the appropriateness of pay for a particular position.</p>	<p>Pennington (12)</p>
	<p>12.02 Motion 2012-0503 - Adopt</p>	<p>Reprogram \$2,000,000 to the Parks Department for the buffalo bayou erosion control project near Memorial Park. The Administration shall make a recommendation within 90 days to determine the funding source.</p>	<p>Pennington (12)</p>

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	<p>13.01 Office of Efficiency & Effectiveness <i>Independent Review & Establishment of Performance Measures for All Departments</i> Motion 2012-0504 – Adopt</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> Create an office that will be tasked with the explicit goal of increasing efficiencies and effectiveness within each department. The office will report directly to the mayor and will ensure an unbiased view of the departments where all aspects of operations are quantified and measured. The office will be tasked with: identifying performance measures that will coincide with department objectives; creating a business process to collect performance measures; creating performance targets based on best practices; diagnose and help correct performance issues on an as-needed basis; prediction and planning for 5, 10, and 20 years in the future to ensure that city is prepared for population and geographical growth. This may begin with one (1) FTE and could be done through an empowerment of Director Dowe's Performance Management group.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move to reconfigure at least one (1) FTE from Director Dowe's Performance Management group. This motion will expand their role beyond financial analysis and will allow them to conduct departmental performance evaluations and ensure that departments are meeting performance measures, are operating efficiently, and are planning for the future growth of the City of Houston. No additional funding should be necessary, as the performance management group already exists.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
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	<p>13.02 Development Project Liaison <i>Coordinate information between Super Neighborhoods, the Department of Neighborhoods, the Permitting Center, Developers, and the Public Works and Engineering Department.</i> Motion 2012-0505 – Adopt substitute</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> It appears that there are gaps in coordination between departments during the platting/permitting/building process of new/existing properties. This liaison, one (1) FTE should be involved in communication between the departments, developers, and the community, and their efforts should commence at the point of application. As developers agree to comply with restrictions/guidance from platting/permitting, continued enforcement and oversight is important. This liaison shall be tasked with monitoring projects and their impact on the communities.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move to change/expand the responsibilities of one (1) FTE from within one of the affected city departments to act as a liaison between the Public Works Department, the Permitting Center, the Planning Department, developers, and the community commencing from the point of application of new development projects to the completion of said projects.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
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	<p>13.03 Updating the Department of Neighborhoods Technology for Inspections and Public Service <i>Change the data entry process for inspectors in the field.</i> Motion 2012-0506 – Tabled</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> Currently inspectors in the field manually fill-in (paper and pen method) the form to report property violations under Chapter 10. With today's technology the inspectors should be able to use tablets/mobile devices/iPads and enter all of the data electronically which would then be submitted immediately to a central database. In this way, information would be available more quickly and it would eliminate a second step of data entry. This would free up more FTEs to be out in the field instead of doing clerical data entry in the office. Elimination of paper use and paper processing time should be more than sufficient to offset the cost of purchase of these mobile devices. It would be helpful if the Department of Neighborhoods could also submit this information to individual council offices to help monitor violations in their districts.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move to amend the Department of Neighborhoods' process of manually recording information and direct them towards implementing the use hand-held devices. This will increase their efficiency and save dollars as we transition away from paper-and-pen. Funding for this motion should come from any excess revenue the City of Houston attains beyond the dedicated funding of the FY 2013 adopted budget General Fund and any realized savings from the switch to digital recording of information.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
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<p>13.04 Chronic Consumer Stabilization Initiative <i>Continue to proactively find help for those with frequent need of public services.</i> Motion 2012-0507 – Adopt substitute</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> CCSI commenced in 2009 and is the result of collaboration between the Houston Police Department, the Mental Health Mental Retardation Authority of Harris County (MHMRA) and the City of Houston Health and Human Services Department. This amendment would ask for up to two (2) additional case managers with a total cost of \$121,675. A funding option would be to use funds that were previously allocated to paying for office space for HPD’s Mental Health Unit, prior to the approval of their new office location at the Sobering Center. These two additional case managers could help provide care for another 30-40 frequent users of public services. The results of CCSI have been clear – a decrease in acute care service utilization and fewer contacts with law enforcement.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move to reallocate previously committed office space funds from the HPD Mental Health Unit towards funding two (2) additional case managers for the Chronic Consumer Stabilization Initiative. Additional funding, if needed, should come from any excess revenue the City of Houston attains beyond the dedicated funding of the FY 2013 adopted budget General Fund.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
<p>13.05 Block Permitting of Tax Delinquent Citizens/Developers <i>Ensure all dollars owed to the City of Houston are paid prior to issuance of new permits to a citizen or developer.</i> Motion 2012-0508 – Tabled for further study</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> Operating, construction or occupancy permits should not be granted to citizens or developers who have outstanding (delinquent) property taxes, business property back taxes, fees, and fines owed to the City of Houston. Applicants should be granted an appeal/protest process should they disagree with the city’s finding, but during tough economic times, we must ensure that we are maximizing our revenue generating streams. These include collection of fines and fees; anyone applying for a permit should be an upstanding citizen in good standing with the City of Houston.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move to create a process that only grants construction or occupancy permits to individuals who are up to date with all their property taxes, business property back taxes, fees, and fines owed to the City of Houston. These tasks should be completed by at least one (1) existing FTE within the affected departments. Additional funding, if needed, should come from any excess revenue the City of Houston attains beyond the dedicated funding of the FY 2013 adopted budget General Fund.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>

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	<p>13.06 Certificate of Compliance for Residential Construction <i>Insure that contractor/builder or developer has all final sign-off on all residential permits when home is ready for sale.</i> Motion 2012-0509 - Tabled</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> Before a single family residence can be sold all red tags, citations and fees must be cleared with a final inspection. The final inspection will ensure everything is in order with the property before it is sold at which time a certificate of compliance would be issued by the city. All mortgage lenders should require that they receive a certificate of compliance before closing on a property.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move that the Administration take to committee and work to implement a process that requires homes that will be sold to disclose all liens, and ensure compliance with city regulations and applicable ordinances. This should be accomplished within one (1) year from the date that this amendment is passed.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
	<p>13.07 Tracking of Permit Violations Red Tag, Citations, Stop Work Orders <i>In order to insure that red tags and other citations are tracked and monitored.</i> Motion 2012-0509 - Tabled</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> Periodically red tags are overlooked and remain in the system until a request for permit is applied for. At this time a red tag must be cleared, but many times this does not happen because the violator has no reason to make the correction. In order to remedy this I suggest that a better online tracking system is created for inspectors to be reminded that the offending party has not come in to get the proper permit. Also, I request that the city institutes a better collection policy for citations to deter violations.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move to implement a system that tracks red tag violators and informs inspectors of offenders who have not corrected their violations within the specified time. I request that this data be added to EGIS using current Planning Department FTEs. Additional funding, if needed, should come from any excess revenue the City of Houston attains beyond the dedicated funding of the FY 2013 adopted budget General Fund.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>

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	<p>13.08 Apprentice Jobs on Major Capital Projects <i>Include apprentice positions for major city capital projects</i> Motion 2012-0509 - Tabled</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> As our city continues to grow, the demand for highly skilled jobs will also expand. In order to continue to have well trained workers and firms, an apprenticeship program (when appropriate) should be created/expanded by contractors who are awarded our major capital projects. This would allow for citizens to learn a skill and will expand the number of qualified workers in our city's job pool. There should be a strong consideration of union apprenticeship programs which are already structured and work well.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move that when major capital project contracts are awarded, the implementation of an apprenticeship program should be created or expanded by the contractor. Current sources of apprentices, like trade unions, should be reviewed for pertinent projects. I request that existing FTEs from the affected departments be used to implement this proposal. Additional funding, if needed, should come from any excess revenue the City of Houston attains beyond the dedicated funding of the FY 2013 adopted budget General Fund.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
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	<p>13.09 Music/Entertainment Office <i>Work within ARA or MOSE to provide services and education to our city's developing music and entertainment scene.</i> Motion 2012-0510 – Adopt substitute</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> There should be specially trained staff to work with music/entertainment businesses; this could be the repurposing of one (1) FTE from either affected department. This FTE should help the entertainment industry work through the permitting process and ensure their understanding of city ordinances and requirements. This FTE should act as a liaison and troubleshooter between the entertainment community and the associated departments. The entertainment industry generates millions of dollars for our city and we should maximize that economic impact. At the same time, we should make sure that businesses, residents, and entertainment guests have the best atmosphere possible. A model to follow in the future would be the San Francisco Entertainment Commission which oversees entertainment related permit applications.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move that one (1) FTE be repurposed from either ARA or MOSE to act as a liaison between music/entertainment businesses and the affected departments. This liaison should help ensure compliance and understanding of city code and ordinances. Additional funding, if needed, should come from any excess revenue the City of Houston attains beyond the dedicated funding of the FY 2013 adopted budget General Fund.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
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	<p>13.10 Plastic Bag Phase Out <i>Follow the example of cities like Austin and Brownsville, which have phased out the use of plastic bags.</i> Motion 2012-0511 – Adopt substitute</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> Plastic bags are littering our bayous, neighborhoods, parks, schools, and our entire city. They are harmful to the natural and man-made environment. In District H, Moody Park has trees that are completely coated in plastic bags due to littering and waste. For a one (1) year period, we would encourage our local businesses to phase out the use of plastic bags and turn to paper and re-usable options. During the one (1) year period, in coordination with businesses, residents, and environmental advocates, staff should begin to gather information for a possible ordinance enforcing this proposed ban, should it be deemed necessary.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move that the Administration work to phase out plastic bags in the City of Houston. This can be accomplished by taking this proposal to the appropriate committee for proper vetting and consideration. A draft ordinance should be prepared within one (1) year of the approval of this amendment. The appropriate committee should include businesses, residents, and environmental advocates in their discussion of this concept. No additional funding should be necessary at this time.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
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	<p>13.11 Innovation and Technology Advisory Board <i>Encourage innovation and technological development in the City of Houston.</i> Motion 2012-0512 - Adopt</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> Put together an Innovation and Technology Advisory Board to consider and make recommendations to the mayor. The long-term goal is to make Houston an international hub for the creative class. The duty of the board will be to consider methods and means to help continue to transform Houston into a thriving "Creative Class" metropolis and making city resources more accessible to innovative entrepreneurs. Official support from the city will give legitimacy to the creative economy and help draw even more entrepreneurs, thought-leaders, and innovators to our city. The board will facilitate better relations among entrepreneurs, service providers, organizations, and others within Houston's Innovation and Technology ecosystem. The board will review and advise on community policies, programs and actions with respect to Innovation and Technology; and will recommend policy, program changes, and new directions as needed. This board shall advise the Administration and serve as advocates/ambassadors for the creative economy.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move that the Administration create an Innovation and Technology Advisory Board. This group of volunteers shall advise the mayor and make recommendations to ensure the growth and development of the creative class in the City of Houston. This advisory board will act as advocates and ambassadors for our city, and help draw in entrepreneurs, thought-leaders, innovators. Their goal will be to help make Houston an international hub for innovation and technology. No additional funding sources should be necessary at this time. This panel will be comprised of volunteers with an expertise in the relevant fields.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
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	<p>13.12 City Contracts Review Process <i>Ensure that all City of Houston contracts are reviewed 6 months before their expiration date.</i> Motion 2012-0513 - Tabled</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> The City of Houston shall review major contracts six (6) months before their expiration date. The review should look at potential added efficiencies and cost-savings during the remaining contract term. It should also assess the contract's success to consider renewing the contract or to lay out a strategy to find a replacement contractor. This amendment is intended to ensure that the city starts planning a course of action on major contracts with plenty of time before their expiration; this should eliminate 'rush' items to City Council.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move that major contracts must be reviewed six (6) months before their expiration date in order to look for efficiencies and cost savings before their conclusion. This mandatory review will help guide the city when considering whether they should renew service contracts or search for a new contractor. This amendment would make contract review mandatory unless a written request for exemption is submitted to the Administration. This amendment should require no additional funding; existing FTEs should be assigned to this task.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
	<p>13.13 Parklet Program <i>Allow adoption of marked parking spaces to convert into small urban parks.</i> Motion 2012-0514 – Tabled to committee</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> Allow the adoption of marked parallel parking spaces to create small urban parks or pocket parks. The city should create an application process for businesses to 'adopt' a small space and turn it into a parklet at their own expense. Parklets are designed to provide a public space for citizens to relax and enjoy the city atmosphere around them. They help 'soften' the concrete and provide incentives for street life activities. Parklets may be designed to be temporary in order to accommodate future changes in parking/roadway needs. Program to be administered by Planning and Development Department; department can assist with basic design.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move that the city adopt a 'Parklet Program' to help create small urban parks when appropriate. Businesses will be able to apply for permission to adopt marked parallel parking spaces and at their own expense, create small green spaces. This amendment should require no additional funding; the program should be administered by existing FTEs within the Planning Department, which may offer basic design assistance when appropriate.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>

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	<p>13.14 Complete Streets <i>Houston should commit to build 'complete streets' when possible and appropriate.</i> Motion 2012-0515 - Tabled</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> As we rebuild our streets and infrastructure, the City of Houston should commit to implement a 'complete streets' policy, where appropriate. Streets that are welcoming and safe to multiple modes of transportation for all users are good for our communities and improve the quality of life. The City of Houston should consider wider sidewalks, bike lanes, safe crossing opportunities, median islands, curb extensions, roundabouts, and more.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move that the City of Houston adopt a 'complete streets' policy, where appropriate. Streets that create the ability for safe transportation for all users should be encouraged and considered as we move forward in the replacement of our infrastructure. This amendment should require no additional funding; the adoption of a 'complete streets' policy, where appropriate, can be administered by existing FTEs.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
	<p>13.15 Implement Regulation of Group Homes <i>Ensure oversight of 'group homes' to protect disadvantaged populations.</i> Motion 2012-0516 – Tabled for further discussion within the next six (6) months</p>	<p><i>Explanation:</i> Currently, the City of Houston does not track or regulate group homes. These group homes can host any number of people and currently do not have any standards or regulations to govern the quality of life in these facilities. The population of group homes tends to be elderly, mentally ill, disabled, or recovering addicts. This population is vulnerable and often victimized. We should outline types of housing and health standards group homes must meet. We should also allow for residents to report abuses, and ensure that they have a way to file complaints.</p> <p><i>Motion:</i> I move that we amend the code of ordinances to include the regulation of group homes in the City of Houston. The city should craft a policy that allows these homes to be identified and create a set of standards which must be met. This amendment should require no additional funding as it can be administered by existing FTEs in the appropriate departments.</p>	<p>Gonzalez (13)</p>
	<p>14.01 Motion 2012-0517 – Adopt substitute</p>	<p>Increase funding to HFD FY 2013 Budget to include replacement of 7 ambulance units back in service that were taken out in December 2010 due to budget shortfall. As mentioned in the FD 2013 budget report, the cost of this amendment is \$240,000.00 per unit per year.</p>	<p>Rodriguez (14)</p>

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	<p>15.01 Motion 2012-0518 - Tabled</p>	<p>Allocate \$300,000 from Chiefs Command, Fund 1000/100001, to Investigative Operations, Fund 1000/100005, for the training of FTEs to conduct investigations regarding vice related crimes, including, but not limited to, Sexually Oriented Businesses (SOB). Currently there are no FTE's dedicated to enforcing SOBs as those officers involved in that program do not have the expertise or knowledge to conduct investigations regarding Sexually Oriented Businesses. This amendment shall not impact the employment status of classified officers of the Houston Police Department.</p>	<p>Laster (15)</p>
	<p>15.02</p>		<p>Laster (15)</p>
	<p>15.03</p>		<p>Laster (15)</p>
	<p>16.01 Motion 2012-0519 – Tabled</p>	<p>Respectfully correct the impaired Hiram Clarke Multi-Service Center. The needed repairs are more important than bringing the Hiram Clarke MSC up to LEED certification.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.02 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully outline the 30 new projects for street and drainage improvements valued at approximately \$250 million for FY13</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.03 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully use funds from the Mobility Response Team Fund that's transferred to the General Fund to hire civilian staff for the various Houston Police Dept. storefronts.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.04 Motion 2012-0520 – Adopt</p>	<p>Respectfully maintain the current tax rate for the City of Houston at 63.875 cents per \$100 of taxable value.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.05 Motion 2012-0521 – Tabled</p>	<p>Respectfully coordinate with Public Works Dept. to reinstate the 1% funding allocation for planting trees from CIP street and bridge projects.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.06 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully incorporate additional senior programming during the summer months. A departmental collaborative effort of the Parks, Health, and Library Depts.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.07 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully incorporate Public Works Dept. fleet of vehicles within the newly created Fleet Management Dept.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.08 Motion 2012-0522 – Adopt with change</p>	<p>Respectfully limit purchasing of the number of non-gas efficient vehicles (i.e. Ford Explorers); especially for one department over another department.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.09 Motion 2012-0523 - Adopt</p>	<p>Respectfully increase game-room fees from its current rate.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.10 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully revise Fire Dept. FY2013 objective from four (4) "fast track" training classes to include two (2) "fast track" training classes and two (2) standard training classes.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>

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	<p>16.11 Motion 2012-0519 – Tabled (see 16.01)</p>	<p>Respectfully include the Hiram Clarke Multi-Service Center as <u>one</u> of the seven (7) renovated City facilities for maintenance totaling 171,119 square feet scheduled for FY13 totaling \$625,000.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.12 Motion 2012-0524 – Tabled to committee</p>	<p>Respectfully combine the real estate section of the Public Works Dept. and General Services Dept. <u>under</u> the General Services Dept. to efficiently track progress and perfect the appraisal selection process for sale of City land/interest.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.13 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully further outreach efforts of the Houston Library Department for youth and adults in school support, literacy advancement, technology, access and instruction and workforce development among Houston area schools districts and area community colleges and other paraprofessional institutions.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.14 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully provide FREE staff development courses via the E.B Cape Center without being charged back to the respective department (such as diversity and cultural sensitivity training, business grammar, business writing, etc.).</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.15 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully increase three (3) FTEs for contract compliance officer positions within the Office for Business Opportunity.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.16 Motion 2012-0525 – Tabled</p>	<p>Respectfully strengthen City's enforcement to maintain compliance with Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) permits for wastewater collection systems operations and industrial wastewater treatment (i.e. better enforcement TCEQ control at existing Almeda-Sims Wastewater Treatment Plant).</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.17 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully increase the maintenance, mowing and desilting of off-road and esplanade ditches, drainage easements and for mowing and herbicide application in the City's right-of-ways via the Storm Water Fund. The Combined Utility System transfer funds to the Storm water Fund to support storm water drainage operation and maintenance activities.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.18 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully offset expenditure through the BARC Special Revenue Fund to the General Fund relating to animal assistance provided to the Houston Police Dept. to expedite the round-up of stray animals continually roaming neighborhoods.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>

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	<p>16.19 Motion 2012-0526 – Adopt</p>	<p>Respectfully create a stand-alone Department for the Office of Business Opportunity. Afford this separate entity the opportunity to introduce their own budget (set-aside from the Mayor's Office) and justify their assistance separate from the authority of the Mayor's Office.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.20 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully further expand the WeCAN Digital Inclusion (DI) network <u>beyond</u> the launch of three (3) super neighborhoods.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.21 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully expand City's recycling program to include multi-family dwellings. Coordinate this initiative via the Solid Waste Dept. with area TIRZs, management districts, and the Houston Apartment Association. This will forge a new partnership with multi-family owners to divert waste from landfills and further implement recycling programs.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.22 Motion 2012-0527 – Tabled</p>	<p>Respectfully increase recruitment efforts for the Houston Fire Dept. to include graduating high school seniors, community colleges, and vocational institutions throughout the Houston metropolitan area.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.23 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully increase penalty and fine for operators of illegal food vendors.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.24 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully further expand project Saving Smiles to other area school district within the Houston city limits other than the Houston Independent School District (i.e. Aldine, North Forest, Klein, Alief, Spring Branch, Clear Creek, Pasadena, Channelview, Galena Park, Katy, Fort Bend, and Cy-Fair ISDs).</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.25 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully reorganize the Dept. of Neighborhoods to include the Education Initiatives and Volunteer Initiatives under the umbrella of the Citizens Assistance Office.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>
	<p>16.26 Withdrawn</p>	<p>Respectfully add Five (5) FTEs to the Administration and Regulatory Affairs Purchasing Division to deal with the consolidation of the Fleet Management Dept. and Information Technology Dept. to purchasing. The five (5) FTEs will consist of two (2) FTEs for Fleet Management Dept. purchasing and three (3) for Information Technology Dept. purchasing.</p>	<p>Green (16)</p>