

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, March 29, 2016

The Houston City Council convened at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 29, 2016; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Larry Green, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Harlan Heilman, Division Chief, Claims & Subrogation Division; Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director present. Council Member Mike Laster absent on personal business.

At 1:34 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting of City Council to order and recognized Council Member Christie for a point of personal privilege. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Knox, Kubosh and Edwards absent.

Council Member Christie recognized an elite German Delegation from Hanover Germany visiting Council and they were present in the City Houston Community College and he welcomed them to the City of Houston. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Knox, Kubosh and Edwards absent.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Cohen for the first presentation. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos and Edwards absent.

Council Member Cohen invited Members of the Archway Gallery to the podium; and stated one of the things that Houston was known for were Houston Artist, that Houston had a fantastic number of case and they were present to honor Archway Gallery for 40 years in the business in showcasing the local Artist; Archway Gallery was among an elite group of galleries nationwide which were solely governed and run by the resident artists since 1976 and had provided an unparalleled selection of affordable, high quality art to the Houston community and had helped over 100 Artists grow professionally while gaining the confidence and skills necessary to the operation of a successful art business and throughout its 40 years of continuous operation, Archway Gallery had helped preserve and highlight local Artist by encouraging artists to reflect the dynamic diversity of their community and Archway Gallery was an integral part of the Houston community and therefore Mayor Turner proclaimed April 1, 2016 as Archway Gallery Day in Houston Texas. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Knox and Edwards absent.

Council Member Robinson invited the Members of the April Pools Organization to the podium and stated they were celebrating really the awareness of something that was of vital importance for the City in anticipating the month of April, it was for pool awareness and teaching the younger people to swim; there was an abundance of Bayous, Lakes and Rivers in Houston, residents were able to participate in recreations activities including boating and swimming at the City's pools and open bodies of water and the City, County and State tend to be at a higher risk of drowning when water recreation opportunities were plentiful and according to the Centers for Disease Controls and preventions, drowning was the leading cause of unintentional injury death of children ages 1 to 4 and the number of deaths for children and the child of any ages can become a drowning fatalities, the number of drownings fatalities in the City of Houston and Harris County continues to be a concern every year with a total of 60 fatalities between 2011 to 2015, this highlights the fact that water safety education needs to be consistently marketed and investing in water education saves lives and the City of Houston community are encouraged to take greater responsibility of water education and choosing to use Coast Guard approve personal flotation devices and the City of Houston in collaboration with community awareness and education drowning prevention and water safety awareness agencies were committed to changing residents behaviors and risk factors in drowning fatalities and therefore Mayor Turner

proclaimed April 2016 as April Pools Month in Houston Texas. Council Members Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Knox and Edwards absent.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen stated in light of the special event this weekend the Mayor would like to make a special presentation in recognizing the NCAA Final Four Organization Committee and invited the Members of the Committee to join the Mayor at the podium.

Mayor Turner stated that the games would start on Saturday but people were already arriving in the City of Houston; the NCAA was a member of the Nonprofit Association of Colleges and Universities committed to supporting academic and athletic opportunities for more than 460,000 student athletes and more than 1,000 Members Colleges and Universities and each year thousands of student athletes compete in the NCAA Championships and Divisions One, Two, and Three Sports and March 29, 2016 the NCAA Men's Final Four Division One will host Semi-Final and Final games in Houston at the NRG Park with the Final Four teams competing to be crowned as champion and the student athletic participating in the Final Four had shown great dedication to their team through hard work, leadership and good sportsmanship, the hosting institution for this year's NCAA Men's Final Four were the University of Houston, Rice University and Texas Southern University for their support for their student communities and the tournament was appreciated and thousands of Houston fans and visitors and the City of Houston extends best wishes to the NCAA Men's Final Four Teams and the Coaches and all others, involved for a memorable and fun filled basketball tournament and therefore he proclaimed March 29, 2016 as NCAA Men's Final Four Day in Houston Texas. Council Members Martin, Knox and Edwards absent.

Members of Council thanked the NCAA Men's Final Four for being here in Houston.

Council Member Kubosh invited Ms. Debra Veal and her family to the podium and stated each day countless Houstonians were served by City of Houston employees who proudly provide a wide range of services that improve the quality of life in Houston; Debra Veal had served this City well since 1994, she began in the Park and Recreation Department as a Staff Writer, in 1996 she began working with Mayor Bob Lanier as a Public Information Officer and she later served as Program Supervisor for the City of Houston Municipal Channel and served as the Public Information Officer in the Administration of Mayors Lee P. Brown and Bill White, she was completing her service with the City of Houston with the Event and Guest Services Division of Houston and after 22 years of dedicated service she would retire on March 31, 2016 and there would be a special farewell event on March 30, 2016 and they wish her well and good luck and therefore Mayor Turner proclaimed March 30, 2016 as Debra Veal Day in Houston Texas. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Council Member Kubosh stated that today Houston had a native that was present that was local and an international celebrity and she was a resident of District K and invited to the podium Ms. LeToya Luckett and her family; she was a singer, song writer, actress, producer, business woman and she was an original member of Destiny's Child, she was with Destiny's Child for seven years and wrote songs of the groups biggest hits, her first album as a solo artist was released in 2006 and certified platinum and she would release her third album this year and she was now a busy actress and made her film debut in 2010 as the star in Preachers Kid and had appeared in the feature films the Killer's and from The Rough and among others; and was the executive producer of the TV series Lucky Girl and Here We Go Again, a 2006 film that was filmed and shot in Houston and Los Angeles and she also gives back to the community and she was involved in visiting schools to encourage kids to study and further their education after graduation, she also speaks on the subject of violence and domestic abuse and therefore Mayor

Turner proclaimed March 29, 2016 as LeToya Lockett Day in Houston Texas. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Knox absent.

Council Member Davis stated that it was his honor to invite Dave Lattin to the podium who was a professional athlete and entrepreneur, Dave Lattin was born on December 23, 1943 in Houston Texas, in 1963 he graduated from Evan E. Worthing Senior High School, he was named All State and All American both his Junior year and Senior year and he was the first Texas player to be named on a High School All American Team, he left Tennessee State in 1964, citing the lack of competition and he returned to Houston to play AAU before receiving a full scholarship to attend Texas Western College in 1965 where he played in the Minors, a Division One Team in the NCAA, under the leadership of his Coach; the Minors won the 1966 Division One NCAA Championship with five Black starting players against the Kentucky Wildcats; he was named All American during 1966 and 1967 seasons and left the College after he was drafted as the number one pick by the San Francisco Warriors and went on to play with the Phoenix Suns and ended his professional career with the Harlem Globetrotters, he earned a degree in Business Administration and started many successful business ventures and he was inducted into the Texas Black Sports Hall of Fame in 2007 and today he would be honored on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of winning the 1966 NCAA Championship and that Mr. Lattin was nicknamed "Big Daddy D" and therefore Mayor Turner proclaimed March 29, 2016 as Dave Lattin Day in Houston Texas. Council Member Green absent.

At 2:28 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Robinson for the invocation and he invited Reverend Patrick Hall to the podium for the invocation and Council Member Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Members Davis and Green absent.

At 2:31 p.m. the roll was called. Council Members Davis and Green absent. Council Member Laster absent on personal business.

Council Member Kubosh moved to delay the previous minutes and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Green absent. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Council Member Robinson moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose to hear Mr. Steven Longmire out of order and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Green absent. **MOTION 2016-0117 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

Ms. Florence Coleman, 2404 Caroline, 77044, (832)314-8983 appeared and stated she was present to speak about the tax abatement ordinance, she was a 5<sup>th</sup> Ward resident and currently living in Kashmere Gardens and stated she was the Vice President of the Northeast Concerned Citizens League which was the Kashmere Civic Club and very active in the Super Neighborhood and other things going on in her community, she was very passionate about things in her neighborhood and she believes that Houstonians deserve the most bang for their bucks with the tax incentives that have been given out, if a private developer was to receive a multi-million dollar tax break, she wanted to know how, Houstonians, neighborhoods like 5<sup>th</sup> Ward, Kashmere Gardens and Sunnyside were going to be benefited, she just wanted the Council Members to think about it and how was she going to see benefits coming as a results to those tax incentives. Council Member Cohen, Davis and Green absent.

Council Member Christie moved that the rules to be suspended for the purpose of hearing Mr. Bruce Nichols out of order and seconded by Council Member Cohen, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Green absent. **MOTION 2016-0118 ADOPTED**

Mr. Felton Bonner, 2404 Caroline, 77044, (713)697-7901 appeared and stated he was with the Harris County Council of Organizations, also with the Harris County Leadership Team for the Texas Organization Project and they were present just to make a comment on the tax abatement ordinance, Members of Council received a letter from the Harris County Director of the Texas Organization Project and on behalf of the Texas Organizing Projects Members and supporters, they encourage Members of Council to vote in favor of the proposed amended tax abatements ordinance and to strengthen the language in order to require projects receiving tax abatement to produce a return on investment for fellow Houstonians, while it was an incomplete solution, the amended tax abatements ordinance would for the first time incentivized developers to include benefits to the community as part of their projects, these amendments would give value and weight to community benefits and this was going to hold developers accountable for projects and they had to include living wage in their proposals; permanent and temporary jobs, components of local hire to target, disadvantaged communities of course affordable and workforce housing and workforce development; too often tax abatement had failed to deliver on their promise of equitable development, with one in three Black and Latino families living in poverty in Harris County, they cannot afford to continue subsidizing poverty jobs and gentrification, this ordinance draft serves and clearly indicated demonstrating that the City of Houston was asking the right questions about how their economic development programs can leverage benefits, their members and supporters feel that it still falls short of requiring tax abatements to advance true economic opportunity for fellow Houstonians who need it the most. Council Member Davis and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Mr. Bonner that he would agree that this was the step in the right direction and he was not representing that it was everything they need to do but was a step in the right direction making sure they get a return for the benefits that people were seeking and this was step one and this was something that he spoke to quite a bit last year and had spoken to various organizations about it and wanted to take the initiative to move forward at least in the first three months in this administration.

Council Member Green moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose to hear Ms. Cindy Chapman out of order and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2016-0119 ADOPTED**

Mr. Hany Khalil, 1329 Alexander St., 77008, (281)714-5377 appeared and stated he was the Executive Director of the Texas Gulf Coast Labor Federation and on behalf of them, he was requesting support of Item 44 the tax abatement ordinance, as currently written, the ordinance would move the City's economic development policy in the right direction by expanding the examples of community benefits that developers can commit to in order to receive more favorable consideration for a tax abatement; that it moves them in the direction of greater equitable development and towards greater opportunity for all Houstonians which should be the goal, however, without actual requirements and a mechanism to monitor and enforce compliance they feel the ordinance might fall short of its potential and they would like to work with them over the next year to strengthen the ordinance by adding amendments; amendments such as requiring firms receiving tax abatements to provide families sustaining living wages, like \$15.00 an hour, the local prevailing wage for all construction and permanent employees, to include affordable workforce housing for at least 30% of the units, to deploy Houstonians with barriers to employment of at least 20% of the actual workforce and to provide workforce

development opportunities for employees in the construction phase of the development through the Department of Labor Certified Apprenticeship Programs and they would also like to see a portion of the tax abatement set aside to cover the City's cost of monitoring and enforcing compliance and he believes that they can afford all of this, they can afford moving up minimum wages just like Settle did in 2011, their minimum wage was raised up to \$11.00. Council Members Davis absent.

Mr. Daniel Box, 323 Moose Dr., Crosby, TX, 77532, (832)794-9896 appeared and stated he was present representing the Houston Organization of Public Employees and the AFCIO on ordinance 44, they were rising in support of this ordinance and they think it was the step in the right direction but like all things it was still just a stepping stone, it still falls short of some of the needs that they need in Houston; which one of those was a sustainable living wage of \$15.00 an hour or to at least meet at least the minimum prevailing wage for construction employees, they also need to talk about including workforce housing, at least 30% of the unit as part of the development, employ Houstonians with barriers to employment of at least 20% of the total workforce hours throughout the life of the development and to give some of the people that cannot get these jobs because of the past by giving them a little relief and towards that notion they can work with Members of Council to do that and they want to provide workforce development opportunities for employees in construction phase of development through the Department of Labor Certified Apprenticeship Programs and these programs were wonderful for these men and women that were getting out of incarceration, they were looking for a new skill, new job and a new life; he grew up as a carpenter through the Carpenter's Union and he had worked with a lot of men that had problems in their life, that had gotten out of incarceration, that came, that got a job at the apprenticeship school and was able to make a wonderful life for themselves and their families and this was a wonderful opportunity with this ordinance as a stepping stone to start getting something back from these abatements. Council Members Davis and Gallegos absent.

Mr. Box was questioned by Members of Council about Agenda Item 44.

Mr. Brandon Willis, 2704 Sutherland Dr., 77023, (409)239-9750 appeared and stated he also wanted to encourage Members of Council to vote in support of the Tax Abatement Ordinance, like some of the other guys had said it was in step of the right direction but he believes they can do more to make it a more equitable situation as far as community development and he want to speak to what they can put in place for construction language in the ordinance moving forward, he just want to make sure their work force does not go away if this passes and they need to make sure that some of the construction companies were employing, getting labor from entities that have a federally registered apprenticeship program and talking about creating equitable apprenticeship programs and these programs were for people that may not be college material but this apprenticeship program would do good for them and that he has a friend that makes \$100,000.00 a year because he went through an apprenticeship program and what this can do was to take some of them off the streets and improve their quality of life, it would offer them an opportunity that they would not have and also they want to speak to making sure everything was considered to ensure sustainability far these tax abatements and if they were not receiving anything back, to make sure there was contribution to the local economy and they also need to consider the environmental impact as far as air quality, they were going to have to redo some of the structuring as far as landscaping for some of these tax abatement projects to take place and also they need to consider quality of life impact, what kind of traffic congestion was going to result from these tax abatement projects; was it going to be more difficult or easier for commuters and people to get around these tax abatement projects and was it equitable to current taxpayers, was this project going to block a

roadway or entry way into a business where those business cannot conduct regular business, there needs to be an in-depth cost benefit analysis done to make sure there were steps in place to mitigate some of these adverse effects and he did forget to say that he was representing International Union of Operating Engineers and as well as Building Trade Council. Council Members Davis, Martin and Gallegos absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Willis about Agenda Item 44.

Council Member Boykins moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose to hear Mr. Kyle Kenan out of order and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Gallegos absent. **MOTION 2016-0120 ADOPTED**

Ms. Tasha Jackson, 2404 Caroline, 77004, (832)298-2370 appeared and stated she was the County Director for Texas Organized Projects and she comes before Council on behalf of TOP Members and supporters in support Agenda Item 44 the tax abatement ordinance, as they said last week, they continue to support the tax abatement however, the ordinance was not as strong as it could be if they really want to address economic and income quality in the City of Houston, for example, the proposed ordinance only provides a list of suggestions not actually requirements for developers seeking tax abatement, these tax abatements should include higher minimum wage, local hire and target zip code with higher unemployment and certain percentages on affordable housing, this was an important distinction because they had seen that tax abatements projects in the past had not benefited the community, additionally they need more transparency on these deals whether it was community meetings or regular report backs from the Economic Development Committee and the community and of course City Council needs to be part of this process and lastly they need on going monitoring to make sure that Houstonians were getting the most from these economic deals, they need to continue to ask questions, "are the ordinance enough, was their community benefitting, and how do they make sure they were benefitting and how do they change it" and on that point they would like the Mayor, Members of Council to consider a one year sunset prevision so they can come back and reevaluate the ordinance to see if it was working and were these the right steps in the right direction; that most other cities like Atlanta and Austin that have similar ordinances and they were looking forward with them in the future to strengthen this. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Green absent.

Mayor Turner stated he told Members of Council what they have done, he agrees with the goals and the objectives of the ordinance that he had put forth which was a measure one, it provides an additional list when they were talking about jobs, livable wage, housing and he want to see how, what the return was, whether or not it works and whether they need to go to the second step but if they put too much out front, they can create a disincentive rather than an incentive, it was more described and detailed than it ever had been, it outlines what the goals and objects were and it was intended to be a measured response and then they would see what the benefits were and it was intended to create better jobs throughout the City.

Mr. Lacy Wolf, Jr., no address, (832)494-7063 appeared and stated that he was the Secretary Treasure with the AFL-CIO and he was present to speak on behalf of Item 44 and that they were definitely in support with that, they like the way it was going and they would like to add their two cents; one thing he would like to expand on was Mr. Box was talking about the Walmart and one thing they do want to say was when Walmart hires people, would they rather have a quality company such as a Cosco that pays a starting livable wage to the people that were working then as what Walmart had been accused of and one thing he like to throw down was some thoughts he would like to look at in this ordinance, when they talked about the

Bureau of Apprenticeship Training and one of the issues they have which last year he brought these up to Council, there was language in the Architects Language for Hobby International Terminal and it said that they had to be BAT Certified and they wrote to everyone that needed to be written and did not get a response and he was kinda worried that this ordinance does not have enough teeth and just to sit there and say if they do not follow the ordinance, what were they going to do to make sure that they do, how were they going to make sure that they would comply and Bureau of Apprenticeship Training was not just a Union thing, it was Union or Non-Union and a Non-Union Apprenticeship Training program which they believe was good for the City of Houston and having Apprenticeship Training program they would have better quality of work and what they were looking for and also they would hire from local people. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig and Davis absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mr. Steven Longmire, 603 West Main, 77006, (832)655-5657 appeared and presented a packet to Members of Council and stated he was President of the First Montrose Commons Association Neighborhood and in the handouts there was an executive summary of his comments and the left pocket contains a personal invitation to a guided tour of the First Montrose Commons Association Neighborhood which actually precedes Montrose by 40 years, they would like to have Members of Council come down there, on behalf of the First Montrose Commons, he would like to commend Mayor Turner for his bold and decisive steps that he had taken since becoming Mayor, the no nonsense and get things done approach was a breath of fresh air and he was here to let him know he was the fourth Mayor like he was the fourth President of the First Montrose Commons to be faced with the orphaned, step red headed child with Public Works which was NSR467, today marks the 4,731 day since this project was conceived, this had to be one of the longest labors in history and he was present today to propose to Mayor Turner for he and Mayor Turner to take ownership of this project, the problem with the project was that they been told it was a legacy project, it was an old project which was aged out of the system, nobody had personal ownership of it and they need to take personal ownership, the status of the site, they have a 200 foot long by 25 feet wide by 30 feet deep trench that had been there for six weeks and it had stalled in its tracks because Public Works assumed that they were a regular Montrose neighborhood and they did not account that there was a giant AT&T duct that was supporting a 100 year old water main, now they have to go into a two week permitting process to get the water main moved, so they can safely move that duct, this had been the entire history of this over all these years, they had been to every CIP meeting about this project and yet they were still waiting, so most of them assume that Montrose was a walkable and hip neighborhood and today he wanted them to come and walk the neighborhood. Mayor Turner, Council Members Davis and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen stated as his City Council Member, they had been working on this with him, since the day they took office, the delay that he was referring to right now, was an AT&T delay, it was AT&T that was causing this problem, they were on it and they were working on it and with that said Gary Norman with Public Works was present and would suggest Mr. Longmire speak with him.

Mr. Bruce Nichols, 12439 Huntingwick Dr., 77024, (9713)984-2544 appeared and stated he was Flood Committee Co-Chair for the Frostwood Subdivision immediately South of TIRZ 17, Frostwood was built in the 1960's and went for decades without serious structural flooding and in 2009 and again last year they saw they saw 50 of their 360 homes taken in by water, causing misery and financial cost to homeowners and many of them were elderly, this flooding was an unintended side effect after a good thing, commercial development inside TIRZ 17 that benefits the whole area, last years the TIRZ 17 recognized the need to confront drainage problems arising from development and approved a plan to alleviate flooding north and south of TIRZ 17,

this plan was one result of having effective neighborhood representation on the board which they hope when Mayor Turner would continue when he names the new Member of the Board, in recent incarnation the Board had gotten friendly to its neighbors, its most recent capital plan would add new pipes called straws to pull floodwater out of neighborhoods that was north of TIRZ 17, but that plan that was submitted to the Mayor's Office, seven months ago had never been brought to City Council for approval, now the City faces a budget problem and they understand that millions would be taken from the TIRZ's to help balance the budget and they understand that all need to sacrifice but every dollar that was taken from TIRZ 17 was a dollar taken in its efforts to protect its residents from the unintended success and TIRZ 17 like many other TIRZ had devised projects inside the boundaries that would benefit the neighborhood and the neighborhood around it and they urge them use a staple and not a meat axe and they hope that City would consider the contribution that TIRZ 17 was trying to make and the destruction of home values that would result if the plan was not carried through. Mayor Turner, Council Members Davis, Martin, Green and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding

Members of Council discussed and questioned Mr. Nichols about TITZ 17 and the drainage issues.

Ms. Cindy Chapman, 5630 Sanford Rd., 77096, (713)305-0432 appeared and stated she was the Co-President of the Westbury Neighborhood and also President of the Non-Profit Westbury Area Improvement Corporation and she was here today on the spur of the moment because something had been bothering her, she had to talk about the continuing chronic crime with a strip club called Foxy's and Foxy's was right next door to a church, within 500 feet of a school and it was known for many criminal activities, there was a lawsuit filed on Foxy's for prostitution and narcotics and the TABC did suspend their license and it was under her understanding that Harris County Attorney's Office intend to file to seek new injunction ongoing criminal activity and about four years ago when she was driving by she saw a permit on Foxy's that there was ongoing remodeling and she called the City and the City said they could not do anything because it still was unlicensed and luckily they were newly annexed into the Brase Oak Management District and so they worked with Harris County to get this injunction but now again there was a sign at Foxy's to replat which there was the original business and they brought the lot next to them so they can do some remodeling and she was just very frustrated that this was a City and this was going on for years with crime and the City had not had a more active role combating the chronic crime that was going on at this location and what was even worse the City was helping this location improve this property to get more business and she was asking for help. Mayor Turner, Council Members Davis, Martin and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Council Member Green stated that they were working with her on this and again they would hold it up to the Planning Commission which they can statutorily do it for two weeks but then after that because it was replat instead of a variance, their hands were tied in trying to do anything to stop them and he agrees with her and they had tried for years, when there was a violation they had sent the Inspectors and HPD out to work with the community on that.

Mr. Kyle Kenan, 11000 Scott St., 77047, (773)398-398-3235 appeared and stated that he was an engineering teacher at KIPP Sunnyside High School and wanted to start by saying thank you to Mayor Turner and to Council Member Edwards for all their support that they had given them about the program that was growing, they had received a grant from the MIT Foundation and he wanted two of his students to come and explain the program. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.



Council Member Green moved to suspend the rules to allow two students from KIPP High School to appear at the podium and Mayor Pro Tem Cohen stated they would make an exception because there were not enough Council Members to make a motion. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

The KIPP Students came to the podium speaking about the grant they received from MIT Foundation and also described a pothole remediation device that was basically a robot that can function on its own that can scan the pothole and fills the right amount of fluid needed for that pothole. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner requested that all of the students present to stand and questioned the students about the pothole device they made and Members of Council discussed with the students about the device and the future trip they were trying to raise money for.

Mr. Donald Burns, 13021 Donegal, 77047, (713)882-0307 appeared presented picture to Members of Council and stated that this was 2004 at 3902 Swingle and the three cover pages that he presented three months in a row, this was State Representative and a Council Member at a City Park using the City to deal with a DBA business conducting business, stopping a business in their neighborhood and now they had moved a junk yard, that was 5 acres of cars, this was the kind of behavior that had been going on in his neighborhood and across the street there was a cement plant, the City resources had been used and there was no drainage plan for 3902 but there was one for 4005 and that was exactly what he was talking about was public integrity and this was going on since 1979. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Green, Edwards and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. John Cieslewicz, 1250 DuBarry, 77018, (713)806-5541 appeared and stated that he had come here numerous times in the last five years to protest the City's illegal requiring new home builders to block the existing established storm water drainage into Oak Forest, over the last five years he came here time after time using City, County, and State records to expose the lies PWE and Legal were using to justify the illegal required blocking of the existing established drainage they had for 70 years in Oak Forest, the City Council and Legal Department had stood behind PWE in their lies; in November 2015 he bought an original city plans showing dirt grade in the easements matching the same slopes as the drainage swales; he had provided pictures of the mosquito infested swamp in his and his neighbors back yards caused by the City's illegal required blocking of the existing established drainage and he had pumped it out several times last summer the standing water which was mixture of storm water and sewerage from a broken sewer line that Center point did not fix properly; the swales in Oak Forest for 70 years were and had been active existing established drainage facilities that fall under a 1987 State Law the City enacted in 2006 and like the other times that he had exposed the lies from PWE and Legal Department, the only thing he will hear was "your time had expired". Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Green, Edwards and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Richard Beecher, 2100 Memorial Dr., 77007, (713)862-0189 appeared and stated that he lived in District H and on March 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, the Houston Chronicle had published articles that sounded like they were praising Metro for the wonderful job that they had done and discussed his experience with the new routes of Metro especially to the Heights residents. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green, Kubosh and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Mayor Turner discussed with Mr. Beecher the routes on Metro.

Dr. Alkebu Motapa, 5022 Cosby, 77021, (713)741-5150 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green, Kubosh and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Steve Barnaba, United States Veteran Center(Homeless), appeared and stated he presented to Members of Council a letter that states "Back on the Streets" and stated that he was a homeless Veteran that was disabled and also TBI which he was injured during his service and he had flashbacks from being in service and like other Veterans he received free coffee, snacks, lunches and computers and also employment assistance, he explained how he passed out and explained his experience of what happen when he passed out. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner requested Mr. Barnaba to speak with Mr. Eichenbaum that was present.

Mr. William Beal, 4718 Boicewood St., 77016, (713)672-7571 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent.

Mr. Steven Williams, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent.

Mr. James Partsch- Galvan, 2705 Terry St., 77009, (713)528-2607 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent.

President Joseph Charles, Post Office Box 524373, 77052-4373, Houston, TX, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent.

Ms. Peggy Pierre, 131 Aldine Bender Rd., 77060, (409)499-6537 appeared and stated she came to give some corrections and she wanted to speak about her creditability and keep it intact and last week she come before this Council and advised it cost her \$10.00 to go and early vote which it did and she believes it had cost her \$5.00 which Metro Left gives them one day for early vote which was on a Saturday and Metro Lift advised what they should not be doing but letting them know that they had a free day to vote should had been out there and she was standing there today correcting her information she received. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent.

Mr. Craig Brown, 2424 Sakowitz, 77020, (979)922-7678 appeared and stated he was an active member of TOP and he was so amazed about what happen on Saturday at the Turn Around, he cried when he got there because for 30 years he was trying to do what the Mayor did and he appreciates it and he was impressed with this Council Meeting and things that were going on and he was from Dallas. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Ms. Berenice Suchilt, 1625 Main St., 77002, (832)277-8087 appeared and stated she was a proud Member of the Texas Organizing Project and she was in solidarity with the tax abatement ordinance and she just wanted to say it was an excellent method and it could bring amazing things to the communities in Houston. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Joseph Omo Omuari, 3939 North Freeway, No.210, 77022, (832)815-7006 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

**Note:** During the public session motions were offered to extend time for questions of various speakers, and votes taken, which were not prepared in written form and may be viewed on HTV Houston or on disc.

At 4:15p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 23, 2016, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. Council Member Mike Laster absent on personal business. **NO QUORUM**

At 8:34 a.m. Ms. Anna Russell, City Secretary, read the description or captions of the items on the Agenda.

The Houston City Council reconvened at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 30, 2016, Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Larry Green, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Ms. Donna Edmundson, City Attorney and Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present. Council Member Mike Laster absent on personal business.

At 9:08 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting order and stated he would start with a Mayor's Report. Council Members Davis, Le and Christie absent.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to highlight what to place on Saturday morning on the South Side at Sunnyside at the Turn Around Houston Event, this was the job resource fair where a number of vendors and non-profits were there to provide assistance to people to put them in the best position to find a job; for example the Franklin Beauty School was there which they been here for 100 years and they were donating their services and in one room they saw people getting a haircut or women getting their hair styled and this was an amazing sight, they had Dress for Success present which were proving people with clothes; and in one room they had a setup of people assisting or coaching them for their interviewing skills which he walked in on that panel and he had one gentlemen that came out of that room and told him that he received an interview by HEB and that his prospects were promising and before he could turn around to the other corner there was a lady who came up to him and stated that she came unemployed and she had an interview and was hired; he was told that before the doors even opened that there were 60 people already in line and he believes the number got up to be about 400 that were there on Saturday and this was so successful; he does want to give a great deal of credit to OBO, to Public Works, to Parks and Recreation, the Library, the Health Department, those that were involved in the Re-entry Program, the Mayor's Staff and taking this and making it into substantive Job Resource Fair and he also wanted to thank the companies that were there, who were actually hiring people, so this was the first of six and they were doing these every other month all over the City and he wanted to thank everyone for their support and that was why for this Summer Youth Program he was really pushing the program in expanding it for the youth that were 16-24 years old.

Mayor Turner stated he also wanted to say that he was very excited about the NCAA Men's Final Four, the players and everyone that were coming here in Houston.

At 9:23 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the Consent Agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 3**

**ACCEPT WORK** – NUMBER 2

2. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$1,485,199.71 and acceptance of work on contract with **MAIN LANE INDUSTRIES, LTD.** for Concrete Panel Replacement Program - 2.05% over the original contract amount and under 5% contingency - **DISTRICTS D - BOYKINS and K – GREEN-** was presented, moved by Council Member Christie and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0121 ADOPTED**

**PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS** - NUMBERS 12 through 15

12. **GOODYEAR COMMERCIAL TIRE & SERVICE CENTERS (Formerly WINGFOOT COMMERCIAL TIRE SYSTEM)** for Tires and Tubes through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) for the Fleet Management Department - 21 Months \$5,000,000.00 - Fleet Management Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Christie, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0122 ADOPTED**
13. **SOUTHERN TIRE MART, LLC** for Tires and Tubes through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) for the Fleet Management Department - 21 Months - \$2,000,000.00 - Fleet Management Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Christie, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0123 ADOPTED**
14. **CALDWELL AUTOMOTIVE PARTNERS, LL C, d/b/a CALDWELL COUNTRY CHEVROLET** - \$379,506.00 and **SILSBEE FORD, INC** - \$795,112.00 for Light Duty Vehicles through the Interlocal Agreements for Cooperative Purchasing with the Houston-Galveston Area Council and the State of Texas Procurement and Support Services for the Houston Police Department Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Christie, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0124 ADOPTED**
15. **NTT ENTERPRISES INC dba TYLER CAMERA SYSTEMS/TYLER TECHNOLOGIES** for External Helicopter Cargo Racks for the Houston Police Department - \$77,200.00 - Grant Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Christie, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0125 ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 17 through 37

17. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of a portion of Oats Street, from Staples Street to Bringhurst Street, as dedicated by Wm. Chapmans Third Addition, out of the D. Gregg Survey, Abstract 283; vacating and

abandoning said street portion to Houston Independent School District ("HISD"), the abutting owner, in consideration of HISD's payment to the City of \$110,487.00 (to be paid partially in cash and partially by the deduction of the balance from the credit account established pursuant to an Interlocal Agreement between the City and HISD) and the conveyance to the City of a full-width utility easement in the same location, and other good and valuable consideration - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0229 ADOPTED**

18. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and the **ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF MEXICAN-AMERICANS**, providing up to \$215,000.00 in Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS ("HOPWA") Funds for the administration and operation of a HOPWA Supportive Services Program- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0230 ADOPTED**
19. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing 2 year contract between the City of Houston and **COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS OF HOUSTON/HARRIS COUNTY** to provide up to \$120,000 (\$60,000 per year) in Housing Opportunity for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Funds for the Operation and Maintenance of a Homeless Management Information System for the HOPWA Program- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0231 ADOPTED**
20. **ORDINANCE** approving submission of Federal Fiscal Year 2017-2019 Area Plan by the Houston Health Department's Harris County Area Agency on Aging ("**HCAAA**") to the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES (DADS)**; accepting the grant and declaring HCAAA's eligibility for the above-mentioned Area Plan Grant Funding; authorizing the Director of the Houston Health Department of the City of Houston ("the Director") to act as the HCAAA's representative for purposes of this DADS Area Plan; authorizing the Director to apply for, accept and expend the DADS Area Plan Funds, and to apply for, accept and expend all subsequent DADS Area Plan awards, if any, pertaining to said area plan- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0232 ADOPTED**
21. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the creation of the **VALLEY RANCH TOWN CENTER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT** in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City- the City Secretary advised that the item had not been received and if received during the meeting, the item would be considered at the end of the agenda.
22. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the creation of the **VALLEY RANCH MEDICAL CENTER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT** in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0233 ADOPTED**
23. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of land to **HARRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, also known as the UPTOWN MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**, for inclusion in its district **DISTRICT G – TRAVIS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0234 ADOPTED**
25. **ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **TIMES CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Asphaltic Pavement Repair Services Citywide for the Department of Public Works & Engineering - 1 Year with four 1 year options - \$20,100,000.00 - Dedicated Drainage Street Renewal Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0235 ADOPTED**

26. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$119,000.00 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for the purchase of Professional Services for Application Enhancements for the Houston Information Technology Department- the City secretary advised that Item 26 had been pulled by the administration and would not be considered.
27. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Advanced Funding Agreement between the City of Houston and **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for an Off-System Railway-Highway Crossing Hazard Elimination In High Speed Rail Corridors Project (Approved by Ordinance No. 2012-0883) - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0236 ADOPTED**
28. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$3,500,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; approving and authorizing payments for land acquisition costs, appraisal fees, title services, relocation expenses and other services for various water projects; finding a public necessity for such projects- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0237 ADOPTED**
29. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining public convenience and necessity for the acquisition of real property interests in connection with the public improvement project known as the Neighborhood Street Reconstruction Project 454; authorizing the acquisition of Fee Simple Title Interest in or easement to five parcels of land required for the project and situated in the Charles Sage Survey, Abstract No. 697, Harris, County, Texas, said parcels of land being located along Tanglewood Road between the southerly line of Sugar Hill Drive and the northerly line of Cranbrook Road in Houston, Harris County, Texas, by gift, dedication, purchase and the use of eminent domain and further authorizing payment of the costs of such purchases and/or eminent domain proceedings and associated costs for relocation assistance, Appraisal Fees, Title Policies/Services, Recording Fees, Court Costs, and Expert Witness Fees in connection with the acquisition of Fee Simple Title Interest in or easement to the five parcels of land required for the project - **DISTRICT G – TRAVIS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0238 ADOPTED**
30. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,000,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; approving and authorizing first amendment to Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **BROWN & GAY ENGINEERS, INC** for Engineering Services associated with the Design of Southeast Water Purification Plant (SEWPP) Treatment Modules Rehabilitation, Thickener and Clarifier Addition, Transfer Pump Station Improvements and Electrical Substation Assessment and Upgrades (Approved by Ordinance No. 2014-0584); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; providing a maximum contract amount - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0239 ADOPTED**
31. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$604,800.00 out of Metro Construction - Other Fund as an additional appropriation to the local match funds between the City of Houston and **UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS** for Construction of Sims Bayou Recreation Plan Project (Approved by Ordinance No. 2012-0028, as amended) - **DISTRICTS D - BOYKINS; I - GALLEGOS and K – GREEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0240 ADOPTED**
32. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$356,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation; approving and authorizing third amendment to

Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **AECOM USA, INC dba AECOM USA GROUP, INC** for services associated with the East Water Purification Plant: Installation of Scum Removal, Fire Loop Upgrades and Flocculator Gates (Approved by Ordinance No. 2009-1334, as amended); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0241 ADOPTED**

34. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,459,620.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP INC** for Facilities Consolidation: Flow Diversion from Tidwell Timber Wastewater Treatment Plant to FWSD #23 Wastewater Treatment Plant; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0242 ADOPTED**
36. **ORDINANCE** granting to **STERICYCLE ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS, INC, a Delaware corporation**, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions **FIRST READING**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0243 FIRST READING IN FULL**
37. **ORDINANCE** NO. 2016-212, passed first reading on March 23, 2016  
**ORDINANCE** granting to **HOUSTON GREASE LLC, A Texas Limited Liability Company**, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions; and making certain findings related thereto - **SECOND READING**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0212 SECOND READING IN FULL**

The City Secretary advised that Item 21 had been received.

21. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the creation of the **VALLEY RANCH TOWN CENTER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT** in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0247 ADOPTED**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director General Services Department for approval of final construction amount of \$8,838,858.81 and acceptance of work on contract with **PEPPER-LAWSON CONSTRUCTION, L.P.** for Traffic and Transportation Maintenance Facility Replacement - 4.99% over the original construction amount and under the 5% contingency **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0126 ADOPTED**

3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$3,360,054.64 and acceptance of work on contract with **PM CONSTRUCTION & REHAB, LLC**, for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Sliplining and Pipe Bursting Methods - 0.83% over the original contract amount and under 5% contingency amount (4257-121) - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; F - LE; H - CISNEROS and K - GREEN**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0127 ADOPTED**
4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$3,173,443.26 and acceptance of work on contract with **PORTLAND UTILITIES CONSTRUCTION CO., LLC** for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Sliplining and Pipe Bursting Methods - 0.19% under the original contract amount (4257-122) - **DISTRICTS C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; H - CISNEROS and J - LASTER**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0128 ADOPTED**
5. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$3,566,514.68 and acceptance of work on contract with **PORTLAND UTILITIES CONSTRUCTION CO., LLC** for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Sliplining and Pipe Bursting Methods - 0.16% under the original contract amount (4257-123) - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; D - BOYKINS; G - TRAVIS and K - GREEN**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0129 ADOPTED**
6. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$5,384,012.70 and acceptance of work on contract with **PM CONSTRUCTION & REHAB, LLC**, for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Sliplining and Pipe Bursting Methods - 3.21% under the original contract amount (4257-127) - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; H - CISNEROS; I - GALLEGOS and J - LASTER**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0130 ADOPTED**
7. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$3,594,881.50 and acceptance of work on contract with **REPIPE CONSTRUCTION, LTD** for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Cured-In-Place Pipe Method - 1.39% under the original contract amount (4258-48) - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; F - LE; G - TRAVIS; H - CISNEROS and K - GREEN**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0131 ADOPTED**
8. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$2,515,542.88 and acceptance of work on contract with **CALCO CONTRACTING, LTD.**, for Neighborhood Sewer System Improvements for II-P24, II-117 and II-186 - 26.97% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICTS C - COHEN and H - CISNEROS**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0132 ADOPTED**
9. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering to purchase Parcel AY15-059, located at 3600 West Alabama Street, owned by T/H Land Holdings, Ltd., a



Texas limited partnership [Thompson/Hanson, Inc., a Texas corporation (Gregg Thompson, Vice President) General Partner], for the **WEST ALABAMA PAVING AND DRAINAGE PROJECT from Wesleyan Street to Buffalo Speedway - DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0133 ADOPTED**

10. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$198,000.00 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for Purchase and Installation of eDiscovery Software for Various Departments- was presented and tagged by Council Members Stardig and Kubosh.
11. **TEQSYS, INC** for Purchase and Installation of eDiscovery Software through the Texas Department of Information Resources for Various Departments  
**This item should only be considered after passage of Item 10 above-** was presented and tagged by Council Members Stardig and Kubosh.
16. **RESOLUTION** adopting the recommendation of the Account Assignment Committee to assign accounts overlapping with Humble, Clear Creek, Spring Branch, Pasadena and Alief Independent School Districts (Collectively Perdue assigned accounts) to **PERDUE, BRANDON, FIELDER, COLLINS & MOTT, LLP and GREENBERG TRAUIG, LLP**, functioning as a joint venture and to assign to **LINEBARGER GOGGAN BLAIR & SAMPSON, LLP ACCOUNTS** overlapping all other areas of the City except for the Perdue assigned accounts under the City's respective contract with each law firm for the collection of delinquent ad valorem taxes- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2016-0010 ADOPTED**
24. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2015-249 to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and **SER JOBS FOR PROGRESS OF THE TEXAS GULF COAST, INC** for Summer Jobs Program for the Human Resources Department - \$3,000,000.00 General Fund- was presented  
After a lengthy discussion, a vote was called and all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0244 ADOPTED**
33. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$212,500.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation; approving and authorizing second amendment to Professional Engineering Services Agreement between the City of Houston and **HUITT-ZOLLARS, INC** for Building Improvements for Water Facilities at EWPP, NEWPP, SEWPP, and Ardmore (as approved by Ordinance No. 2013- 0592, as amended); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0245 ADOPTED**
35. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,781,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **KALLURI GROUP, INC** for Engineering Services associated with the Chlorine System Improvements at East Water Purification Plant; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0246 ADOPTED**

The City Secretary advised that Item 21 had been received.

21. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the creation of the **VALLEY RANCH TOWN CENTER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT** in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0247 ADOPTED**

**NON CONSENT AGENDA** - NUMBER 38

**MISCELLANEOUS**

38. **SET A PUBLIC HEARING DATE** to provide Multi-Family Properties Resolutions of No Objection to the 4% Housing Tax Credit applications of the following for two affordable housing communities:

**PADDOCK AT SUNNYSIDE**

**4410 Reed Rd.**

**DISTRICT D - BOYKINS**

**POINTE AT CRESTMONT**

**5602 Selinsky Rd.**

**DISTRICT D - BOYKINS**

**HEARING DATE - 9:00 A. M. - WEDNESDAY - APRIL 6, 2016-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0134 ADOPTED**

**MATTERS HELD** - NUMBERS 39 through 45

39. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$2,000,000.00 out of TIRZ Affordable Housing Fund and approving and authorizing Repair Agency Agreement between the City of Houston and **REBUILDING TOGETHER HOUSTON**, as Repair Agency, for performance of minor critical emergency repairs to homes owned by qualified households; establishing a maximum contract amount; approving the second amended and restated administrative guidelines for the Minor Critical Emergency Home Repair Program - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BOYKINS**

This was Item 18 on Agenda of March 23, 2016- was presented

Council Member Boykins submitted a written motion to amend Item 39 as follows:

**I move to amend the Ordinance in Item 39 as follows:**

**The Fifth Recital of the Ordinance is amended to read as follows:**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that HCDD, pursuant to applicable City, State and federal laws, rules and regulations, has selected Rebuild Together Houston, a Texas nonprofit corporation, ("RTH") to implement certain aspects of the MCEHRP pursuant to the Repair Agency Agreement attached hereto as Attachment "II" (the "RTH Agreement"), which provides, without limitation, that (i) the cost of repairs to an eligible residence shall not exceed \$10,000.00, unless HCDD grants a waiver for necessary structural repairs or unforeseen damage, in which event the costs of such repairs may be increased to not more than \$25,000.00; (ii) the cost of permits, materials and labor to repair all homes pursuant thereto shall not exceed \$1,763,750.00, (iii) the administrative fee to be paid to RTH shall equal 17.647058% of invoiced repair work, not to exceed a total of \$311,250.00 for administrative and site inspection fees, (iv) the maximum total contract amount shall not exceed \$2,075,000.00; and (v) the owner of each home to be repaired shall agree, in writing, to continue to own and

occupy the home for at least 2 years following the completion of repairs, shall authorize RTH to determine the scope of repairs and shall consent to the performance of the repairs; and

**The following recital is added immediately following the Twelfth Recital of the Ordinance:**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that Dwight Boykins, District Council Member for District D, desires to allocate \$75,000.00 (the "District D Supplement") from the portion of the Fund allocated to District D to supplement the work to be performed within District D pursuant to the RTH Agreement and administrative procedures to be developed by HCDD so that the District D Supplement will be spent for the repair of homes located in District D and so that additional work will be performed in District D as a result thereof, and that such work meets a neighborhood need within District D; and

**2) I move to amend the Agreement attached to the Ordinance in Item 39 as follows:**

**A.**

**Section 2.2 of the Repair Agency Agreement is amended to read as follows:**

2.2. Payments. Within thirty (30) days after receipt and approval of the documentation in 2.1, the City will make payment to the Repair Agency the amount of each such invoice (not to exceed a grand total of \$2,075,000.00, including (a) no more than \$1,763,750.00 for permits, materials and labor on all Home Repair Contracts and (b) no more than \$311,250.00 for Site Inspection Fees and the Repair Agency Administration Fee which is equal to 17.647058% of the Repair Contractors' statement for its direct completed-invoiced Repair Work, whose amount is subject to the limitations of this Agreement).

**B.**

**Section 14.2 of the Additional Terms and Conditions attached to the Repair Agency Agreement as Exhibit "H" is amended to read as follows:**

14.2 In order to comply with Article II, Sections 19 and 19a of the City's Charter and Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution, the City has appropriated and allocated the sum of **\$2,075,000.00** to pay money due under this Agreement (the "Original Allocation"). The executive and legislative officers of the City, in their discretion, may allocate supplemental funds for this Agreement, but they are not obligated to do so. Therefore, the parties have agreed to the following procedures and remedies:

After discussion, Council Member Kubosh tagged Council Member Boykins motion to amend Item 39.

Council Member Kubosh moved to delay Item 39 for one week and seconded by Council Member Boykins, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0135 ADOPTED**

40. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **CHILD CARE COUNCIL OF GREATER HOUSTON**, providing up to \$410,000 in additional

Community Development Block Grant Funds for the continuing administration and operation of a Juvenile Delinquency Program - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DAVIS**

This was Item 19 on Agenda of March 23, 2016- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
**ORDINANCE 2016-0248 ADOPTED**

41. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **CHILD CARE COUNCIL OF GREATER HOUSTON**, providing up to \$410,000 in additional Community Development Block Grant Funds for the continuing administration and operation of a Child Care Program - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DAVIS**

This was Item 20 on Agenda of March 23, 2016 - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
**ORDINANCE 2016-0249 ADOPTED**

42. **ORDINANCE** accepting the individual proposals from **WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, UNDERWRITERS AT LLOYDS, HOUSTON CASUALTY COMPANY, AXIS SURPLUS INSURANCE COMPANY, ARCH SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, RSUI INDEMNITY COMPANY, ESSEX INSURANCE COMPANY, WESTPORT INSURANCE CORPORATION, FAIR AMERICAN SELECT INSURANCE COMPANY, ENDURANCE AMERICAN SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY, TOKIO MARINE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, LEXINGTON INSURANCE COMPANY, STARR SURPLUS LINES INSURANCE COMPANY, CHUBB CUSTOM INSURANCE COMPANY, and GENERAL SECURITY INDEMNITY COMPANY OF ARIZONA**, which are participating in the Layered Property Insurance Program, and approving and authorizing the purchase of a General City Property Insurance Policy \$9,605,990.90 - Property and Casualty Fund

**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GREEN**

This was Item 29 on Agenda of March 23, 2016 - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
**ORDINANCE 2016-0250 ADOPTED**

43. **ORDINANCE** accepting the proposal from **UNDERWRITERS AT LLOYDS**, approving and authorizing the purchase of Terrorism Insurance for the proposed City-wide Insurance Policy for all scheduled City of Houston locations - \$512,894.00 - Property and Casualty Fund

**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GREEN**

This was Item 30 on Agenda of March 23, 2016- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
**ORDINANCE 2016-0251 ADOPTED**

44. **ORDINANCE** adopting guidelines and criteria, making certain elections regarding eligibility, and amending Article IV of Chapter 44 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas, relating to tax abatements - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STARDIG**

This was Item 32 on Agenda of March 23, 2016- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
**ORDINANCE 2016-0252 ADOPTED**

45. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining public convenience and necessity for the acquisition of real property interests in connection with the public improvement project known as the Emancipation Park Expansion Project; authorizing the acquisition of fee simple interest in two parcels of land required for the project and situated in the J. Holman Survey, Abstract No. 323, in Harris County, Texas, said parcels of land being located along and off the northerly side of Tuam Street, between Dowling and Hutchins in Houston, Harris County, Texas, by gift, dedication, purchase and the use of eminent domain and further authorizing payment of the costs of such purchases and/or eminent domain proceedings and associated costs for relocation assistance, appraisal fees, title policies/services, recording fees, court costs, and expert witness fees in connection with the

acquisition of fee simple interest in two parcels of land required for the project - **DISTRICT D - BOYKINS** - TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARDS

This was Item 34 on Agenda of March 23, 2016- was presented, Council Member Edwards moved to delay Item 45 for one week and seconded by Council Member Boykins, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0136 ADOPTED**

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE FOR AGENDA OF MARCH 29 AND 30, 2016**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Houston at its regular meeting Wednesday, March 30, 2016, which will convene at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chamber, Second Floor, City Hall, 901 Bagby, Houston, Texas, will consider the following item:

46. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment of **TAKASHA L. FRANCIS** as Director of the **Department of Neighborhoods** DATED this 25th day of MARCH, 2016- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Boykins, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **MOTION 2016-0137 ADOPTED**

**MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS** - Council Member Kubosh first

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 11:15 a.m. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Green, Knox, Kubosh and Edwards absent.

**DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY**

**MINUTES READ AND APPROVED**

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Anna Russell, City Secretary

