

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, December 20, 2016

At 8:33 a.m. Ms. Anna Russell, City Secretary, read the description or captions of the Items on the Agenda.

The Houston City Council convened at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 20, 2016; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Larry Green, Mike Knox, Davis Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Randy Zamora, Legal Department; Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Ms. Stella Ortega Agenda Office present. Council Member Greg Travis absent due to being ill.

At 9:07 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting of City Council to order and recognized Council Member Cisneros for the invocation. Council Member Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Gallegos absent.

Council Member Cisneros invited Reverend Bill Walker to offer the invocation and Council Member Cisneros led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Members Stardig and Gallegos absent.

9:10 a.m. The Roll was Called. Council Members Stardig and Gallegos absent. Council Member Travis absent for being ill.

Council Member Kubosh moved to adopt 12/6-12/7, 2016 minutes and to delay the adopting of the 12/13-12/14, 2016 minutes and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig, Davis and Gallegos absent. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner recognized Council Members for personal privileges.

Council Member Laster stated he would like to recognize Mr. Zack Spivy and his mother that Zack is here for his Citizenship Merit Badge and is with Troop 549 at the St. Paul Presbyterian Church that is located in District J. Council Members Stardig and Gallegos absent.

Council Member Christie stated he would like to recognize group of Boy Scouts from the Copperhead District out in West Houston and they are working on their Communication Merit Badge. Council Members Stardig and Gallegos absent.

Council Member Martin stated he would like to recognize 2 young men from Troop 870 from Clear Lake and requested them to stand up to be recognized. Council Members Stardig and Gallegos absent.

Council Member Kubosh stated he would request that all the Troops stand to be recognized because there are many others that are not in uniform. Council Members Stardig and Gallegos absent.

At 9:13 a.m. Mayor Turner moved to the Mayor's Report.

Mayor Turner stated since taking Office he had been committed to improving accountability, performances and transparency in the City of Houston with growing demands for City Services with fewer resources than we need to be smarter on the way we manage the City and actively work on improving our performances and to help us achieve that goal he is proud to announce that they are moving the City Performance Improvement Team to the Mayor's Office and the

upcoming months they would be launching a Performance Management System called HOUS-STAT and this group would coordinate with Department Leadership and he would have regular discussions about performances and to improve.

Mayor Turner stated he wanted speak on the water problem that he spoke about a few weeks ago and he wanted to give an update; the positive test for lead are tied to specific fixtures which home not been used frequently and all the fixtures will remain turned off until they are permanently removed or replaced, the positive test for bacteria at City Hall and 611 Walker are the results of dead ends of the plumbing to allow bacteria to develop and to address this issue the water tanks at both buildings were cleaned and the entire plumbing systems were flush in both buildings and after the cleaning the test result show that there is no more bacteria in the plumbing system; in additional they had the vendor dispensers in the City Hall and City Hall Annex come out and install reverse osmosis filters and they are also to make sure the ultraviolet lights in the dispensers which kill bacteria are operational and effective, in this instance the UV lights were not operational and those dispensers have been turned off until corrected and all the ice machines have been placed out of service at this time but will be placed back in service when the vendor is able to come and clean the system; moving forward GSD will be testing the water again in three months and six months after that and thereafter they will test annually providing there are no issue, GSD will be cleaning and disinfecting cleaning tanks on annual basis as well as flushing the system.

Mayor Turner stated that the reason he was out last week, he was half-way around the world in Bahrain where the World Petroleum Conference and the Delegates deciding on where the location for the 2020 the World Petroleum Conference, with 71 of the World Delegates votes it was awarded to Houston over Vancouver, this is a big win for Houston and over 10,000 top level International Executives will attend and the event that has been estimated economic impact of \$60-\$80 million, it was Houstons third try to convince WPC to return here after a 30 year absence, the 2014 and the 2017 were lost to Moscow and Istanbul, one of the key factors in Houston's win over Vancouver was a promise to dedicate 100% of the net profit from the Houston event to establish a Global Legacy Program that will benefit the next generation of energy industry young professionals and the funds will be redistributed around the world by the WPC to select Legacy Projects that align with WPC Legacy Committee initiatives, including educating and developing the future of the energy industry.

Mayor Turner stated that lastly the Butterfly Project Exhibit at City Hall, this month in 1941 Nazi Germany declared war on the United States and 1.5 million children lost their lives in the Holocaust, the Holocaust Museum of Houston created the Butterfly Project as a way to connect a new generation of children to the history of the Holocaust by making butterflies in the memory of each child that was lost and he presented examples of the butterflies, there is a display of 100s of these butterflies in the rotunda along with a wishing wall and he encourages every person who stops by City Hall to write a wish for humanity and place it on the wall and the display is on view until January 27, 2017 and it is important for everyone to remember and never forget so such events would not happen again.

At 9:27 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary call the Constant Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 33

MISCELLANEOUS – NUMBER 3

3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Airport System for Extension of Unpaid Leave of Absence of **ROBERT FIERRO, Airport Operations Assistant**, from August 4, 2010 through October 10, 2016- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **MOTION 2016-0609 ADOPTED**

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBERS 6 and 9

6. **CALDWELL COUNTRY AUTOMOTIVE PARTNERS, LLC d/b/a CALDWELL COUNTRY CHEVROLET, LLC** for Purchase of Two Runway Friction Tester Trucks for Houston Airport System - \$379,176.00 - Enterprise Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0610 ADOPTED**
9. **INDUSTRIAL TX CORP** for Replacement of Aeration Basin Ceramic Diffusers to Membrane Type for the Department of Public Works & Engineering - \$154,500.00 and contingencies for a total amount not to exceed \$194,500.00- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0611 ADOPTED**

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 12 through 33

12. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of a 10-foot-wide water line easement and two 10-foot-wide sanitary sewer easements in the 1410 Richmond Avenue Subdivision, Houston, Texas; abandoning the easements to the **RICHMONT CORPORATION and MENIL FOUNDATION, INC**, in exchange for payment to the City of \$771,900.00 and other consideration - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0988 ADOPTED**
13. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas, Seller, and **ALLIANCE REALTY PARTNERS, LLC, Purchaser**, for the sale of 3.88 acres of land located at Nicholson Street and West 19th and 20th Streets, being a part of the John Austin 2 League Grant, Abstract Number 1, Harris County, Texas, for \$15,205,664.00; approving and authorizing a Special Warranty Deed - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0989 ADOPTED**
18. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2013-1013, as amended, to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and **BAKER WOTRING LLP f/k/a CONNELLY BAKER WOTRING LLP** for Legal Services for Representation of the City in Negotiations with the United States Environmental Protection Agency - \$1,900,000.00 Enterprise Fund- the City Secretary advised that Item 18 had not been received and if received, would be considered at the end of the Agenda.

- 19. ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2015-0849 (Passed on September 9, 2015) to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and **HOV SERVICES, INC** for Mail Processing Services for Utility Water Bills for the Department of Public Works & Engineering - \$548,662.50 - Enterprise Fund- the City Secretary advised that Item 19 had not been received and if received, would be considered at the end of the Agenda.
- 20. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing second amendment to Contract 4600012920 between the City of Houston and **MAIN LANE INDUSTRIES, LTD.** to increase the maximum contract amount for Concrete Panel Replacement for residential streets for the Department of Public Works & Engineering- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0990 ADOPTED**
- 21. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **KNOWVINE, INC, d/b/a SIGN-UPS AND BANNERS**, for administration of an Aviation Pole Banner Program at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston, William P. Hobby Airport, and Ellington Airport; providing a maximum contract amount - 5 Years with two one-year options - \$1,925,000.00 Enterprise Fund - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; E - MARTIN and I – GALLEGOS**- the City Secretary advised that Item 21 had not been received and if received, would be considered at the end of the Agenda.
- 22. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$4,000,000.00 out of Airports Improvement Fund and approving and authorizing Reimbursable Agreement between the City of Houston and **SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO.** for Pre-Conditioned Air Equipment Replacement at William P. Hobby Airport - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS-** - the City Secretary advised that Item 22 had not been received and if received, would be considered at the end of the Agenda.
- 23. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$9,137,292.00 out of Airports Improvement Fund and approving and authorizing Amendment No. 8 to Construction Management At Risk Agreement between the City of Houston and **MANHATTAN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY** for Terminal D Phase 6 Construction Services at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston (Project No. 500N; Contract No. 4600010038) - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0991 ADOPTED**
- 24. ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **THE PRUITT COMPANY, INC** for Heavy-Duty Front-End Repair Services for Fleet Management Department; providing a maximum contract amount 3 Years with two one-year options - \$502,500.00 - Fleet Management Fund- the City Secretary advised that Item 24 had not been received and if received, would be considered at the end of the Agenda.
- 25. ORDINANCE** establishing the east and west sides of the 1300 block of Caywood Lane within the City of Houston as a special minimum building line block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0992 ADOPTED**

26. **ORDINANCE** establishing the east and west sides of the 1300 block of Caywood Lane within the City of Houston as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0993 ADOPTED**
27. **ORDINANCE** establishing the east side of the 600 block of North Everton and North York Streets, within the City of Houston as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0994 ADOPTED**
28. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to Single Phase Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **PARSONS WATER & INFRASTRUCTURE, INC** for Support at Southwest Wastewater Treatment Plant for an extreme rain event (as approved by Ordinance No. 2015-1256) - **DISTRICT C- COHEN-** the City Secretary advised that Item 28 had not been received and if received, would be considered at the end of the Agenda.
29. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$603,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation; approving and authorizing first amendment to Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES, INC** for Engineering Services associated with the Northeast Water Purification Plant Improvements (Approved by Ordinance No. 2015-0606); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN-** the City Secretary advised that Item 29 had not been received and if received, would be considered at the end of the Agenda.
30. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,009,474.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **SEWER AND STORM MAINTENANCE, LLC** for Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Television Inspection in Support of Rehabilitation; 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 contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund (WW 4277-94)- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0995 ADOPTED**
31. **ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **BROOKLYN SWEEPS, INC** for Street Sweeping Services for Southeast/Southwest Quadrants for the Department of Public Works & Engineering; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$4,695,936.00 - Stormwater Fund - **DISTRICTS C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; E - MARTIN; F - LE; G - TRAVIS; H - GONZALEZ; I - GALLEGOS; J - LASTER and K – GREEN-** the City Secretary advised that Item 31 had not been received and if received, would be considered at the end of the Agenda.
32. **ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **REYTEC CONSTRUCTION RESOURCES, INC** for Waterline Wrap Repairs; 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 and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Operating Fund- the City Secretary advised that Item 32 had not been received and if received, would be considered at the end of the Agenda.

- 33. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$51,593.72 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF as an additional appropriation to an Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Houston and the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for services related to Segment Two of the White Heather Street and Storm Sewer Improvements Project (Approved by Ordinance No. 2007- 0510, as amended) - **DISTRICT K – GREEN-** - the City Secretary advised that Item 33 had not been received and if received, would be considered at the end of the Agenda.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

1. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HOUSTON DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**, for terms to expire June 1, 2020:

Position One - **ELIZABETH UNGER**, appointment
Position Two - **JOHN MOOZ**, reappointment
Position Three - **ANGUS HUGHES**, reappointment
Position Four - **KAREN MULVILLE**, appointment
Position Five - **LESLIE GARCIA ASHBY**, reappointment
Position Six - **VALERIE D. WILLIAMS**, reappointment
Position Seven - **STEWART O. ROBINSON**, reappointment-

was presented, moved by Council Member Laster and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0612 ADOPTED**

2. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BRAYS OAKS MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (Harris County Improvement District No. 5)** , for terms to expire June 1, 2019:

Position Seven - **RALPH RIEGER**, appointment
Position Eight - **MARSHA GEE FISK**, appointment
Position Nine - **JULIO RAMIREZ**, appointment
Position Ten - **MICHAEL D. WHITE**, appointment
Position Eleven - **GEORGE O. NWANGUMA**, reappointment-

was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0613 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner invited to the podium Ralph Rieger and Marsha Gee Fisk from the Board of Directors of the Brays Oak Management District and thanked them for their wiliness to serve.

At 9:38 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

Ms. Kate Engler, 8405 Wednesday Ln., 77074, (713)363-1917 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called.

Mr. Santiago Leyva, 9109 Fondren Rd., Apt. No. 1807, 77074, (832)359-7223 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Mr. Doug Smith, 11542 Sands Point Dr., 77072, (832)723-1652 appeared and stated that he would like to address 2 comments that was made by Council Member Le from last week when he was present to speak about the sign controversy in the Alief neighborhood, first , he said that his favorite Cajun restaurant was in the historic section of Alief, Bellaire Blvd, he wanders if he asked the owner of that restaurant or the many non-Vietnamese restaurants that are in the area on how they would feel on having their business district be designated as Little Saigon, they currently have an International restaurant district and the proposed designation could kill that diversity and might have the non-Vietnamese businesses leaving this area and in discussion in the foreign language signs he said that the International Management Business District placed the foreign signs but that was not correct, in fact the International District and the Alief Super Neighborhood Council are working to try to have them removed and they do not know who approved and paid for these signs because there was no public input but this has caused problems that never existed until the proposal and they hope that the signs are removed soon. Council Members Boykins and Laster absent.

Mr. Steven Wiley, 4660 Beechnut, Apt. No. 214, 77096, (713)660-9202 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins and Laster absent.

Mr. Otis Myles, 5606 Yorkwood St., 77016, (713)633-8067 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins and Laster absent.

Ms. Deborah Allen, P.O. Box 263252, 77027, (713)264-0127 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Boykins and Laster absent.

Ms. Theresa Keese, 907 Woodcrest Dr., 77018, (832)433-3570 appeared and stated that she lives in District C and is present today because she wanted policies in place that would protect refugees, immigrants and she is appalled that she can come home from school and find that one or both of their parents are gone because of their deportation processes, this is just one example of how they need to fix these issues, she thinks that we can put our heads and hearts together and come up with a humane solution and expressed her feelings for needing better policies to allow refugees, immigrants and marginalized communities to feel safe and looks forward to working with them to making this City a compassionate City. Council Member Boykins absent.

Mr. Hany Khalil, no address, (713)923-9473 appeared and stated that he is the Executive Director of the Texas Gulf Coast AFL CIO, the Federation of the 78 Unions advocating for working families across the Gulf Coast and in the 9 years before this job he worked as a Social Studies teacher in the Southwest Houston Public Schools, with schools that have high numbers of immigrants and many of them undocumented, Houston was home to these students and as Public School Educators it was their job to teach every student that walked through their doors, it was their responsibility to meet their needs without ever having enough resources to push and assist all of their students to get a higher education whether they were citizens or permeant legal residents, documented or not, they were all their students, those were the values that all Public School Teachers at their best learned and embodied everyday likewise Unions are their best and opened doors for economic opportunity for all working

families, to be pro-family means to support living wages, to make sure that all have access to health insurance and retirement with dignity, it also means to keep families together in their homes in this City and those are the values that Mayor Turner spoke about 8 days ago when he sent a powerful message about what Houston would be in the era of Trump he said that immigrants, refugees and other communities at risk that are being targeted that they are welcomed here and will be protected; now the task for the City is to be a leader and adopting policies to protect immigrants, to provide legal services for immigrant communities that are at risk from round up and deportation and this year they look forward to working with Mayor Turner and the City Council. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Khalil.

Ms. Pat Grany, P.O. Box 33410, 77051, (713)965-4634 0127 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent.

Mr. Jonathan C.C. Day, 624 Highland St., 77009, (832)673-0220 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent.

Ms. Debbie Moran, 5615 Grape St., 77096, (713)774-0924 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent.

Ms. Cara Rosenthal, 1271 Bonner St. Unit B, 77007, (281)734-7870 appeared and stated that she was a Member of United We Dream Houston, the largest immigrant youth led organization with offices in Houston and Washington D.C., she join the organization one month ago in the mist of the November election, she teaches in the Charter School Network and many of her students are immigrants, after the election her students and their families came to her with questions regarding their future in the United States and since Trump was elected they are fearful and concern, she speaks on behalf of her students in the last 11 years of their lives to complete their academic requirements to go to college and to graduate and she is here to ensure the City of Houston remains a safe place for our undocumented, immigrant, LGBT, Muslim, Black and Brown communities, right now DACA protects 800,000 undocumented people that are across the Country and it protects 23,000 people in Harris County, she urges them to look at these faces realizing that DACA protects them, their family and friends and because of DACA these students are able to go to college and to feel the needs for their communities, on December 12th Mayor Turner announced he would like to make sure Houston is a welcoming City and that immigrant residents are safe in spite of President Elect Trump nasty vow on deportation and after Mayor Turners announcement they hope he keeps his promise and hopes that the City Council can pressure to block City funds and resources in assisting in forcing Federal Immigration Laws, prohibiting dangerous racial profiling practices and they would like to include the term immigration status in the definition of a Hate Crime. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent.

Mayor Turner stated that he would like to remind everyone during the public that no clapping is allowed but if they agree, they can raise their hand or they can stand up.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Stardig for a personal privilege; Council Member Stardig stated she wanted to recognize Gabby who is the niece of Liz Miranda that works in the District A Office and she is so proud that Gabby is present and she is studying to be a doctor.

Ms. Jasmine Escamilla, 7101 Bellerive Dr. Apt. No. 924, 77036, (832)646-9949 appeared and stated that she comes from a family of immigrants and her mom and dad's family are from Mexico, she is a Junior, Houston is home to her not only because she was born here but also

Houston is a safe place for her, she wants to make sure that Houston continues to be safe especially the upcoming inauguration, she is worried since Trump has become the President elect and she fears after he is President all of the targeted people during his campaign will be discriminated against even more, she is requesting that City Council to protect the safety and rights of immigrants, LGBT and those who were targeted President Elect Trump and she is also requesting that immigration status to be included in the definition of a Hate Crime and doing that the discrimination in Harris County would be reduced. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin and Edwards absent.

Ms. Kelly Sanchez, 6550 Bellaire Blvd, Apt. No. 503A, 77074, (832)858-6735 appeared and stated that she was a student and she came to advocate for all of the communities students in Harris County and wants to provide for her family and to have a bright future, she is a citizen but she speaks for those who are undocumented and she is a daughter of undocumented parents and her fear after when Trump becomes President is that her parents get deported and if they get deported that means that her family is separated and since she is the oldest she would have to take care of her younger siblings and which would be hard because she wants to finish high school and go to college, she is requesting that Mayor Turner and City Council to create policies to protect her communities and to prevent profiling practices, questions, stopping or detaining individuals based on skin color, religious practices, immigrant status and she hopes that Houston becomes better by fulfilling this request. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Martin absent.

Mayor Turner stated what he said before the same City that existed in Houston prior to the election and is the same City now after the election; Houston is not doing anymore in terms of enforcement after the election than it did before the election but what he wanted to tell everyone that is here, the same City, Houston prior to November is the same City that exists today.

Council Member Stardig moved to suspend the rules to add Mr. Noel Ramiez to the speaker list and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Martin absent. **MOTION 2016-0614 ADOPTED**

Ms. Rachel Hassell, no address, (832)862-0863 appeared and stated that she is a graduate student and Assistant at the University of Houston, she works one on one with students especially undocumented and DACA students and read a story from one of her students in his words about his family and after she read the letter she felt she and her student are similar because she also watch her parents struggle and she wanted to help them and they both fought to receive a higher education, she is requesting that they use their power to make Houston a sanctuary City and safe for her students regardless of their status. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Martin absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mr. Brendan Laws, no address, (832)582-4676 appeared and stated that he been a resident of Houston for just over 9 years, he had worked in many industries and currently a public school teacher, a proud Union Member and workers right advocate, people already spoke about the importance assurance of safety for immigrants and undocumented people in Houston especially students and he wanted to express his opinion of prioritizing this when it comes to workers because Mayor Turner said that this was the same City it was before the elections but unfortunately has the highest rate of deportation in the entire Country and it also resides in an area where they have far too much poverty and far too many workers to stand up for their rights, there are limitation for what the City can do but we do not know what the National Policy is going to be but it is important that Houston is proactive at this point because these are very,

very high stakes and if the Federal level threatens even more it is the duty of this Council for the safety for all workers and for all undocumented people and to pass policies for Houston to where we do not take on the Federal responsibilities and for them to insure the safety and wellbeing for residents of Houston. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Martin absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Lina Guedvara, 4299 San Felipe St., 77027 (713)550-6752 appeared with a **TRANSLATOR** and stated that she had lived in Houston for 18 years and she is proud to call the Southwest area her home, she is a janitor and a Member of the SAU Texas Labor Union, they are here today as workers, family, students, immigrants and citizens to support Mayor Turner in making not only in making our City a welcoming place for immigrants, people of color and minorities and a City that actively shows support for a diverse community, the education of their youth, the rights of students on DACA, ending racism and promoting a culture of respect are also important to them, they need a measure that protects immigrant communities, Latinos, African Americans, the Gay community, Muslims, refugees and many other communities, to be clear they are just asking for pronouncements, they are asking the recommendation of United We Dream, their community is in the state of emergency and they need to act before the inauguration on January 20th, they need something before the end of the year, they have fought hard to empower their communities and it time to take firm actions that the City that they love continues to be a place where everyone can live safely and not the worry of being deported and attack for who they are. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Martin absent.

Ms. Caitlin Macintyre, 9310 Leader St., 77036, (908)319-3565 appeared and stated that she and her family to move to Houston because it was a City of diversity and a place she wanted to raise her child, she feels lucky when she takes her child to the park, he hears different languages and plays with children of all types of backgrounds, all of these families like her have chosen Houston to be their home; she is heartbroken and angry that some of her neighbors, some of these parents that are constantly fearful in this City and it pains her that some of these family are fearful from becoming separated from their children and some children do not have their parents or caregivers this holiday season because they are in detention, it upset her that there are people in the City who fear for their actually safety because of the way they look, their immigration status or the language that they speak, Houston needs to be better than this; Mayor Turner and Council Members Houston have the opportunity to be a leader and demonstrate with action right now before a new Administration takes place where Houston is a place that all families are protected, they need clear policies that protect immigrant families not just verbal assurances, they need clear policies that HPD and other City Officials would not work with ICE and inquire about the immigration status of anyone that they encounter and just saying that the City Service Employees would treat all people equally, they need clear policies that everyone have equal accesses to City Services regardless of their immigration status and color, policies that no City money will be spent in forcing Federal Immigration Laws, instead of waiting on what is going to happen in January, the City of Houston has the responsibility to act now and proactively protect all its people by creating policies that make it clear that this City would refuse to incorporate with any Federal Policies that threaten the safety of Houstonians and asked to tear apart any Houston family. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Gallegos absent.

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to point out again where Houston stands and again he will repeat to her and to everyone else that there had been no change in Houston policy, that the Houston prior to the Election is the same Houston after the Election and when they look at the Police Department and the Fire Department and the City Attorney and many of the Directors

that are around the table in decision making, those people reflect the diversity of this City and that is through action and he does not want to give anyone the impression to anyone out there that the policies have changed, the same City that was welcoming before is the same City that is welcoming now.

Ms. Christina Sisk, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that she is a Associated Professor at the University of Houston, she comes here as a concerned citizen and she is a scholar of immigration and she is currently writing about the City of Houston in her manuscript, she explained briefly what she writing about Houston, an installation called Detention Nation that was exhibited in early 2015 at the Station Museum and from there it became a platform where different stories were told in terms of immigration policies and the effects in this Houston area she presented copies but did not have enough copies for everyone which she would e-mail everyone a copy of her story and one of the stories included in this installation was about Israel Torres which he was an immigration activist and he was present at the Installation but since then he had been deported and his crime was buying a Social Security and using it but he was deported as a terrorist and was tagged as a terrorist, the story that she presented was published in the Dallas news, she is looking at segregation in Houston both the old ways and the new ways and how they overlap, she believes in the people behind her and the reason she stands here is because of the urgency, they are not talking about anything new like Mayor Turner said this is the Houston we had before the Election is the Houston after the Election but we need to change that and she understands they do not have sway over in terms of 287 G because it is a County issue but there are measures they can take to change this. Council Members Stardig, Davis and Boykins absent.

Mr. Noel Ramiez, no address, no phone, appeared **WITH A TRANSLATOR** and stated that he is representing an organization of handicapped people, their organization formed about 10 years ago when the Harris County stopped providing them with medical services and what they did instead of separating they united more in serving and helping many other people and organizations that are in the same situation, more than 50 people get assists from this organization on a monthly basis and he is saying this because the people that they are supporting are good people that have come to work in this Country and his daughter came to this Country, she is a dreamer and she is studying here in this Country and just like everyone in this room they have a dream to be someone in this life and that is why they are here to ask this Council for help and not only promises but a lot of Politicians promise a lot of things and they do not come through with the promise, they are very happy that Mayor Turner is giving them his support to their community and all of these communities, there had been a lot of suffering in the past for all these people that have been deported just because they committed a traffic violation and they end up being deported and if the Police are not going to work with ICE and they would like all Members of Council to support the new Chief of Police. Council Members Davis, Martin and Laster absent.

Ms. Anitra Carter, P.O. BOX 451265, 77245, (713)384-2338 appeared and presented information and stated that Bayou City Production would like to do a Super Bowl Event in our great City of Houston for next year, Houston is a great City with great visions, they would like to honor the NFL with a parade, it had not been done and she thinks that Houston can bring this forward, they are also requesting a parade permit, a street permit because they would like to do a party, a block style, Texas style and she is here this morning as she had been given clearance to have Parking Lots B and C which is located across the street from the BBVA Stadium which is owned by the Astros; however, she tried to come couple months ago to receive a street permit as well as a parking lot permit but she was told that she was located in a fail zone and that she would need permission which she presented a letter that Council

Members had received and she also sent out letter to the Super Bowl Committee asking them to, one, allow a mini carnival in Parking Lot C, they would also like to have a taste of Texas Cuisine and line dancing in Parking Lots B and C, she was requesting an application for all events, permits to use Parking Lots B and C, Downtown Parade permits along with Police protection and EMS Services, Street Closure permits; there is approximately 1.5 million people coming here and they would love to be part of welcoming people to this great City of Houston and having a great event. Council Members Davis and Martin absent.

Mayor Turner stated that they wish they could help on that but he hated to tell her that all of those areas have already been dedicated and committed, he questioned Ms. Carter and advised her to speak with Mayor Citizens Assistant Office.

Members of Council also questioned Ms. Carter.

Ms. Cheryl Armitigh, 2706 Barbee St., 77004, (713)775-3366 appeared and stated that she is the President of the Washington Terrace Civic Association and they have a list of concerns, there was an article in the OutSmart Magazine Company in the November 2016 issue and the first concern was that the topic reads the Montrose Center Hopes to open an LGBT Senior Housing Facility in 2018 and the other concern is that the building outside having rainbow colors, their properties were built in the 1940s and they met with them and requested that the property would look like the homes in the neighborhood and another thing was a marking of a bus line that would be across the street from the facility but that bus line had been moved and lastly the concern that they had it states "although the housing project is not limited to the LGBT community, the Montrose Center would place a strong emphasis on marking the facility throughout the LGBT community", the neighbors are working are creating a family oriented environment in the Third Ward Neighborhood, they believe the low-income senior project with 100 plus rental units is not in the highest best use for this property and they believe the highest and best use would be a residential housing with a down payment assistances, they have single and multi-family units in their neighborhood and they would like their neighborhood remain that way. Council Members Davis and Martin absent.

Ms. Gladys House-EI, 1605 Andrews St., 77019, (832)781-9724 appeared and stated that she wanted to congratulate Mayor Turner on the work that he had done this year and presented information to the Mayor she wanted to thank the Mayor for the decorum and having Council Members present at the sessions because this is something she really had never seen happen and what she wants to say, she had watched him and listened to his presentations, the meetings and each time that he gives a directive to a Department head or one of his staff members it's never met as it relates to the Historical Freeman's Town, she knows that the Mayor has a lot on his plate and this is why he has to delegate duties to different people but they have fallen short, they are constantly being the last to know about any decisions made on their community and another group that was next to his ears making the wrong decision for their community. Council Members Martin and Le absent.

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to ensure that no decision had been made regarding Freedman's Town or what he said at the conference as it relates to the future; they are in the process of putting a task force to implement the Historic Cultural District but that committee had not been formally put together but it is in the process of being put together and the measures that the City Council took a week or so ago and that was naming the rental properties over there.

Mr. Justin Me, 4410 Deer Lodge, 77018, (713)688-4161 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Martin and Le absent.

Ms. Robin Harrison, 910 Cypress Station, Apt.No.503, 77090, (281)408-5505 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Martin and Le absent.

Ms. Molly Oshman, 116 Cosmos, 77009, 9713)703-2164 appeared and stated that she was here again to request the Mayor and City Council to really hear them and all the neighborhoods that are fighting for peace and quiet against White Oak Music Hall, they recently filed a lawsuit and received a temporary restraining order because they felt like they had no choice, they are committed to making their voices heard, they are asking to have all amplified noise moved inside, they are not unreasonable, they have the right to do business but they have the right for peace and quiet, there is a difference between development and reasonable development, they have raised the funds to start the process and will continue to raise the funds if needed, they are receiving support from all over the City, from those who understand the problem and once again she is here on behalf of her Historic Neighborhood, for those who want silent nights. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Le, Robinson and Edwards absent.

Mr. Beth Louseteau, 316 Goldenrod St., 77009, (713)806-0762 appeared and stated that she was here along with her neighbor to discuss the White Oak Music Hall or rather update them, Ms. Oshman did a great job as Council knows that they have been coming up here for months by the dozens, they have reached out to numerous City Officials in the course of many months, they have done everything humanly possible, far more than should be expected of any group of citizens to get attention of the leaders who they elected to protect them and they were left with no choice and it is very unfortunate that people in a working class neighborhood would not be protected and they are forced to file a lawsuit against developers who have ignored their plead for help, they have not reached out to them to try to come up with any type of solution and she would like to get the position of the Mayor and City Council regarding the TRO and thank heaven they were successful on getting it, it took a judge less than 2 hours to hear what they been saying for months and writing for months and appreciate what they are going through and she would like to comments from the Council. Council Members Boykins, Le, Green and Edwards absent.

Mayor Turner stated that the City is not a party in that lawsuit and that they have every right to pursue on whatever legal claim they may have and he respects that as Mayor of the City of Houston and it is a lawsuit that is now in court and both parties have lawyers and they have gone in and gotten a temporary restraining order and he does not intend to intervene and as it relates to the City of Houston as long as the people are operating in accordance to the agreements that have been reached, the rules and guidelines of the City of Houston, they will proceed, they have tried to strike a balance as much as one can, they all are neighbors now and hopefully they do what they need to do to be respectful but as long as they are obeying the rules and agreements that had been reached then they would proceed and in terms of the legal action, he respects that because he had been a lawyer for 36 years and they are not part of the lawsuit and he would allow the legal process run it course.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Louseteau at length.

Mr. Ceasar Espinosa, 610 Harwin, No. 214, 77036, (832)512-3733 appeared and stated that he lives in District F, his office is in District J, he does work in District A and he is an undocumented immigrant and is semi-undocumented under DACA who lives in the City of Houston and who helps to build Houston, the reason that Houston is so diverse is because of immigrants and not only immigrants who are coming from other Countries, Cities and even part of Texas to call Houston home and he had called Houston home for the last 26 years and he is

very troubled to hear some comments at some of the Council Member offices as far as immigrants are criminals, that immigrants are here to steal, to take what is not theirs when in fact are contributing every single day, not only in cultural but also economically to the City of Houston and he can guarantee that the Super Bowl would not ever have a place in Houston and not go on if it was not in the hands of immigrants that are putting in every single day to make Houston great, he thanks the Mayor on what he said last week and saying that Houston is a very welcoming City but they do want to see more action as to what is going to keep them here and he can become undocumented in 31 days with a single status and that is very frightening to him and even more frightening for people who have children here and who raising their families here and they hope that Houston moves forward in adopting real life policies to not only make immigrants feel more welcome but help continue for them to stay here and continue to make Houston grow, just downstairs they had a few people that came here and had a hard time getting in here because of a lack of ID and one of the things that they have been pushing was Municipal IDs to make every single person that lives in Houston by having a single piece of plastic to say "hey, this is who I am and this is where I belong" but this is a big deal for those who had fled their Countries. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Green and Kubosh absent.

Mr. Mario Salinas, 7500 Bellaire, 77036, (713)828-4512 appeared and stated has a proud 4th generation Houstonian and for the past several years he had worked very hard to register thousands of high school and college students to vote, with a person with a severe stutter, he had always made it clear to them that no matter what they face, that everyone has a voice, that everyone has a story and those stories deserve to be heard and they have heard so of those stories today, Mayor, he wanted to thank him for his press conference from last week, they are glad it is not the same City that they were born into, they have made tremendous strides since that time and under his leadership, they are about to enter into a time that they cannot be the same City, they want the City to be a better City for all and they are about to enter into a time where our Public Institutions are going to be challenged like never before and it's up to everyone around this horseshoe to stand up to show these students that he urge to get out and vote and why they should look toward them and tell them what is going on with them and their family. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Green absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Salinas.

The City Secretary advised that a few speakers that were on the list but was not present at the time when their names were called are now present and she will call them speak at this time.

Mr. Samuel Smith, 16803 Imperial Valley Dr. Apt. No. 86, 77060, (832)652-1876 appeared and stated that he was present last Tuesday and he did not get the chance to address the Mayor himself and the issue he wanted to speak on was the lack of employment and the issue was because he as a background that is more than 30 years old but it still being used to deny him of employment and he wanted to list some of his grievances and he would like to thank Council Member Boykins input because he brought the issue up he got right on it for him, he not getting a lot of need help, his unemployment still had not be resolved, he had spoken to someone and that someone told him that she would speak to some of her contacts about any jobs that are available, he understands that no one has to do anything for him, so he is grateful if someone does anything for him, it is really not about him, its more about his daughter and his grandchildren, they have been affected by his failures and the cycle of poverty is being passed on to them because he cannot contribute to their welfare, he came up in the streets of 5th Ward in the 50s, he was working last Christmas but he was fired and his job was given to a White man and without a job he cannot afford his bills or get anything for Christmas, that is why he

brought an example of some of his artwork that he had created from prison and he hopes that someone would like it and purchase it as a gift and he held up his artwork. Council Members Cohen, Davis, Cisneros and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner advised Mr. Smith to give it to the Mayor's Citizen Assistance Office and for him to turn the picture around and let everyone else see the painting, Mayor Turner and Council Member Boykins questioned Mr. Smith.

Mr. Craig Brown, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Cohen, Davis, Cisneros and Knox absent.

Mr. Jonathan C.C. Day, 624 Highland St., 77009, (832)673-0220 appeared and stated that it is sometimes very hard to sit through some of these meeting because of the severe issue that people have and he comes here to talk about the street lights but this is a situation where the City can save millions of dollars if they use a lower wattage street light and currently there is no studying going on in Public Works, at CenterPoint, at the City of Houston, no one is studying and from his understanding there are Officials in ARA who are researching it but the idea that there is a serious motive to lower the wattage on the streets and he is getting the feeling, he has not been coming down here because he has nothing new to tell them; that Los Angeles and Phoenix are using as a lower wattage for their street lights and he thinks that they should be studying for not only to save money but it is also about the quality of life and that he thinks that the Public Works should designate someone to study this and who is very serious about it. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Gallegos, Knox and Kubosh absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Day.

Ms. Debbie Moran, 5615 Grape St., 77096, (713)774-0924 appeared and presented information and stated that since they have been bring them some numbers, she would like to pass around a few pictures which matches to the numbers they had been presenting and why they have been requesting this in a timely matter that started 2 years ago and the reason a lot of Cities are changing because they have found that the white lighting that they have been putting in is inadequate but the cities that test the warmer lighting find that the entire environment is more visible and now they have at least 2 Cities which are New York City and Los Angeles which they have installed over 100,000 white street lights and both of them are now are on warm street lights from now on, a huge part of Houston had not been done and a lot of neighborhoods can benefits from it and the other part it the driving, there is a huge glare while they are driving and continue to express her opinion about changing to a warmer watt lighting for Houston and she can send Council CenterPoint installation map because there is still a huge part of Houston that had not been done and again there is a lot of neighborhoods that can benefit from it. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Green and Kubosh absent.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Moran.

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 Davis, Boykins, Travis, Green and Kubosh absent.

Mr. Joshua De La Cerda, 4902 Sabrina Dr., 77066, (832)439-6575 appeared and stated that he is here to argue the wide uses of industrial hemp and decriminalization of marijuana, he is aware that this may not be the correct forum for discussion, however these topics need to be brought up and changes are needed, hemp is a plant that has been around thousands of years and it is used to create rope, paper and many other materials and had been resistant to

pesticides it is been restricted due to corporate lobbying. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Le, Green and Kubosh absent.

Ms. Alice Serna-McDougald, no address, (713)254-5211 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Le, Green and Kubosh absent.

Ms. Noreen Smith, 11135 Bell Spring Dr., 77072, (281)933-0378 appeared and stated she wanted to thank everyone for their support and last week she believes it was a profitable meeting and about the issue in Alief and expressed her views on why she was against the signs and again this week she is still against it and she was hoping that they will give them a New Year's present on being a community that is diverse which they are, that they will not favor any one group over another, they do not need to be a China Town or a Little Saigon and they do not need to have this kind of thing going on, they are international and that is what their Management District is called and they do want the street signs to be corrected. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Green absent.

Ms. Barbara Quattro, 11007 Bandlon Dr., 77072, (281)787-8827 appeared and stated that she is here once again on behalf of the Alief Super Neighborhood to oppose the signs on Bellaire and naming a section of Bellaire to Little Saigon, the Alief community would be better served if Council Member Le worked with the International Management District, they are overly opposed by the Alief community and the signs are a waste of taxpayer money and they request Council not to approve these signs. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Green absent.

Mr. Stevens Orozco, 5023 Redwing Brook Trail, Katy, TX, 77449, (281)943-9500 appeared and stated that he only has a minute but let him go down the list of things that have been occurring, at Texas University have had flyers that is threatening the diverse community on campus and Mayor Turner had stated that he has no control what happens in D.C. but D.C. what's to control what happens here. Council Members Boykins and Green absent.

President Joseph Charles, Post Office Box 524373, 77052-4373, Houston, TX, appeared and requested more time and stated his subject was absolute Marshal Law, Salaries, Revoked, H/City, Texas/State, and Government Systems and continued to voice his personal experiences until his time expired. Council Members Boykins and Green absent.

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 11:54 a.m. Mayor Turner requested that the City Secretary return to the Agenda.

Council Member Knox moved that the rules be suspend to remain in session beyond the 12 noon schedule and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Le absent. **MOTION 2016-0615 ADOPTED**

- 4. RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$11,096,907.78 and acceptance of work on contract with **STERLING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC** for Pleasantville Drainage and Paving (Sub-Project 1) 1.74% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS**- was presented, moved by Council Member Knox and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all

voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Le absent. **MOTION 2016-0616 ADOPTED**

5. **RECOMMENDATION** from City Attorney to deposit the amount of the Award of Special Commissioners into the Registry of the Court and pay the costs of court and settle the case in connection with eminent domain proceedings styled City of Houston v. FPL Real Estate, Ltd., a Texas limited partnership, et al, Cause No. 1071452; for acquisition of Parcel LY15-008; for the **GELLHORN DRIVE PAVING & DRAINAGE PROJECT (IH610 - Wallisville) - DISTRICT B – DAVIS-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Le absent. **MOTION 2016-0617 ADOPTED**

7. **CONTRACT RESOURCE GROUP** for Office Furniture and Installation Services from the General Services Administration Schedule 71 Contract through the Cooperative Purchasing Program for the Houston Emergency Center - \$367,730.79 - Grant Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Le absent. **MOTION 2016-0618 ADOPTED**

8. **ASSOCIATED SUPPLY COMPANY, INC (ASCO) - \$3,953,606.90 and MENZI USA SALES, INC - \$542,163.30** for 12 Excavators through the Houston-Galveston Area Council for the Department of Public Works & Engineering - Stormwater and Dedicated Drainage & Street Renewal Funds- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Le absent. **MOTION 2016-0619 ADOPTED**

10. **RESOLUTION** designating the **Max and Helen Rosenbaum House** located at 5219 South Braeswood Boulevard, within the City of Houston as a landmark - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2016-0050 ADOPTED**

11. **RESOLUTION** designating **Saint Elizabeth Hospital** located at 4514 Lyons Avenue, within the City of Houston as a landmark - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2016-0051 ADOPTED**

14. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing second amendments to contracts between the City of Houston and **THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON** and **HARRIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT, d/b/a HARRIS HEALTH SYSTEM**, respectively, for Routine HIV Screening Services- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0996 ADOPTED**

15. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing submission of an application for grant assistance from the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for the FY17 Statewide Transportation Enhancement Program Impaired Driving Mobilization Grant; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Chief of the Houston Police Department or his designee to act as the City's representative in the application process, to accept such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the program- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0997 ADOPTED**

- 16. ORDINANCE** amending the City's Master Classification Ordinance (City of Houston Ordinance No. 90-1292, as most recently amended by City of Houston Ordinance No. 2016-853); providing a repealer; providing for severability- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0998 ADOPTED**
- 17. ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2016-0274 to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and **ADAMS AND REESE, LLP** for Legal Services in connection with utility matters - \$1,100,000.00 - General Fund- was presented and tagged by Council Member Green and he released the tag later in the meeting.

The City Secretary advised that a number of Items had come in and will go to them after Matters Held.

MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 34 and 35

- 34. MOTION** by Council Member Stardig/Seconded by Council Member Robinson to adopt recommendation from the Mayor's Office for renewal of membership in the **HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL** - \$83,978.04 - General Fund
TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER TRAVIS
This was Item 2 on Agenda of December 14, 2016- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0620 ADOPTED**
- 35. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **CYPRESS CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT** for Fire Protection Services to extend the term and amend the equipment requirement; amending Ordinance No. 2011-1183 to increase the maximum contract amount - \$463,000.00 - General Fund
TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARDS
This was Item 25 on Agenda of December 14, 2016- was presented,
After discussion and questions by Council Member Martin of volunteer fire protection services, Mayor Turner advised that the subject was under review and called for a vote, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0999 ADOPTED**

The City Secretary advised that all Items that were previously listed as not received have been received except Item 21.

- 18. ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2013-1013, as amended, to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and **BAKER WOTRING LLP f/k/a CONNELLY BAKER WOTRING LLP** for Legal Services for Representation of the City in Negotiations with the United States Environmental Protection Agency - \$1,900,000.00 Enterprise Fund- was presented and tagged by Council Member Green.
- 19. ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2015-0849 (Passed on September 9, 2015) to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and **HOV SERVICES, INC** for Mail Processing Services for Utility Water Bills for the Department of Public Works & Engineering - \$548,662.50 - Enterprise Fund- was presented and tagged by Council Member Gallegos.

- 22. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$4,000,000.00 out of Airports Improvement Fund and approving and authorizing Reimbursable Agreement between the City of Houston and **SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO.** for Pre-Conditioned Air Equipment Replacement at William P. Hobby Airport - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-1000 ADOPTED**
- 24. ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **THE PRUITT COMPANY, INC** for Heavy-Duty Front-End Repair Services for Fleet Management Department; providing a maximum contract amount 3 Years with two one-year options - \$502,500.00 - Fleet Management Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-1001 ADOPTED**
- 28. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to Single Phase Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **PARSONS WATER & INFRASTRUCTURE, INC** for Support at Southwest Wastewater Treatment Plant for an extreme rain event (as approved by Ordinance No. 2015-1256) - **DISTRICT C- COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-1002 ADOPTED**
- 29. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$603,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation; approving and authorizing first amendment to Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **AECOM TECHNICAL SERVICES, INC** for Engineering Services associated with the Northeast Water Purification Plant Improvements (Approved by Ordinance No. 2015-0606); 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 2016-1003 ADOPTED**
- 31. ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **BROOKLYN SWEEPS, INC** for Street Sweeping Services for Southeast/Southwest Quadrants for the Department of Public Works & Engineering; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$4,695,936.00 - Stormwater Fund - **DISTRICTS C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; E - MARTIN; F - LE; G - TRAVIS; H - GONZALEZ; I - GALLEGOS; J - LASTER and K – GREEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-1004 ADOPTED**
- 32. ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **REYTEC CONSTRUCTION RESOURCES, INC** for Waterline Wrap Repairs; 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 and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Operating Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-1005 ADOPTED**
- 33. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$51,593.72 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF as an additional appropriation to an Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Houston and the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for services related to Segment Two of the White Heather Street and Storm Sewer Improvements Project (Approved by Ordinance No. 2007- 0510, as amended) - **DISTRICT**

K – GREEN- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-1006 ADOPTED**

Council Member Green stated that he would like to remove his tag on Item 18.

18. ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2013-1013, as amended, to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and **BAKER WOTRING LLP f/k/a CONNELLY BAKER WOTRING LLP** for Legal Services for Representation of the City in Negotiations with the United States Environmental Protection Agency - \$1,900,000.00 Enterprise Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Christie absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-1007 ADOPTED**

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

Council Member Green stated that he would release his tag on Item 17.

17. ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2016-0274 to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and **ADAMS AND REESE, LLP** for Legal Services in connection with utility matters - \$1,100,000.00 - General Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Cohen, Knox and Christie absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-1008 ADOPTED**

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 12:42 p.m. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Le, Green, Knox, Kubosh and Christie absent. **DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY**

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED

Anna Russell, City Secretary

