

## SUMMARY OF FY2019 CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS

ORDINANCE NUMBER	DATE ADOPTED	SUMMARY
Motion. #2018-0274	May 30, 2018	This amendment allocates \$275,000.00 from the General Fund Unassigned Ending Fund Balance to the Council District Service Fund (No. 10005500 Commit Item 550002) in the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget for a total of \$2,750,000.00 from the general fund portion of the Council District Service Fund (CDSF); this amendment also affirms an allocation of \$5,500,000.00 from the Intergovernmental Revenue-Metro (GL Account 422150) for the Council District Service Fund (No. 1000/5500 Commit Item 550002) in the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget for a total of \$8,250,000.00 overall for CDSF. Funding Source: General Fund - Unassigned Ending Fund Balance
Motion. #2018-0275	May 30, 2018	By October 1, 2018 the Administration will direct the Finance Department to add, as part of the Monthly Financial Report, the structurally imbalanced amounts of the City's Budget. The Budget and Finance Committee shall define what should be reported as part of the structurally imbalanced budget prior to it being implemented by the Finance Department. At a minimum the structural imbalance report should include Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) underfunding and deferred maintenance.
Motion #2018-0277	May 30, 2018	Within 60 days the Administration will establish a Health Benefits Subcommittee of Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee. Members of the subcommittee will meet monthly for six months to hear expert testimony, review comparative data, and produce recommendations to control rising active and retiree health care costs.
Motion #2018-0278	May 30, 2018	The Houston Public Works Department shall explore the creation of a water conservation program with the goal of capturing and reusing water released through the regular maintenance process of fire hydrant flushings. Captured water shall be made available to other city departments, governmental entities or their contractors for the sole purpose of watering public landscaping. Cost savings shall be maintained within the Houston Water Fund (No. 8300/200004). An update shall be presented to the Regulation & Neighborhood Affairs Committee within 90 days of the approval of the amendment.
Motion #2018-0279	May 30, 2018	Within 90 days of the passage of this budget, the Administration shall present a report and recommendations to City Council concerning the use and implementation of the formula used to determine municipal service fees imposed upon tax increment reinvestment zones.
Motion #2018-0280	May 30, 2018	Houston was ranked by a study commissioned by Dell Computers as 27 <sup>th</sup> in the nation for women entrepreneurs. The study looked at access to capital, talent, technology and markets and found that financial, cultural and political barriers still limit the success of women-owned firms.

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		<p>Although an Expert Market study ranked Houston as 1<sup>st</sup> in the nation overall for minority entrepreneurs in 2017, minority-owned business are still denied loans at three times the rate of non-minority firms, according to the Minority Owned Business Development Agency.</p> <p>In an effort to make Houston THE Leader in the country for both women-owned businesses and minority-owned businesses, the City of Houston shall establish a Women &amp; Minority-Owned Business Task Force to further support, attract and retain women and minority businesses.</p> <p>The Task Force will make policy recommendations as well as analyze best practices from other cities. The Task Force will examine how to foster an atmosphere of growth for women &amp; minority businesses, including but not limited to, examining ways to (1) increase access to capital for minority &amp; women owned businesses and (s) "scale up" businesses to allow them to expand, grow, and find for higher yield returns.</p> <p>The Task Force shall be comprised of members, including but not limited to representation from the Office of Business Opportunity, community business leaders, as well as representation from various ethics and gender based chambers of commerce.</p>
Motion #2018-0281	May 30, 2018	<p>Within 90 days the administration shall report to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee an analysis of the creation of a Central Grant Writing Office for all departments in the City of Houston. Many cities have centralized grant-writing functions to augment individual departments grant-seeking efforts. This office can serve to increase grant revenue across all sectors of the City. The report should include a recommendation on the appropriate number of FTEs, ensuring that grant revenue generated exceeds expenditures at a rate commensurate with leading offices nationally.</p> <p>Funding Source: None at present.</p>
Motion #2018-0282	May 30, 2018	<p>In future annual reports, the Office of Business Opportunity shall include information about the additional cost (if any) of the Hire Houston First preferential program.</p>