

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, July 19, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 19, 2011, Mayor Annise D. Parker presiding and with Council Members Brenda Stardig Jarvis Johnson, Ann Clutterbuck, Wanda Adams, Oliver Pennington, Edward Gonzalez, James G. Rodriguez, Stephen C. Costello, Sue Lovell, Melissa Noriega; C. O. "Brad" Bradford, Jolanda "Jo" Jones; Ms. Lynette Fons, First Assistant City Attorney, Legal Department; Mr. Xavier Herrera Citizens Assistance Office; and Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director, present. Council Member Mike Sullivan absent on city business. Council Member Al Hoang absent on personal business.

At 1:39 p.m. Mayor Parker stated that Council would begin presentations with Council Member Clutterbuck. Council Member Clutterbuck invited Mr. Glen Urbach and Ms. Jan Redford to the podium and stated that today they were honoring an important day of recognition and remembrance and pursuit of good health with the Bipolar Support Alliance Group of Greater Houston; that the DBSA worked to educate the public on mood disorders and advocate for the rights of those with mental illness; and Mayor Parker thanked the group for what they did and presented a Proclamation to them proclaiming today as "Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance Day" in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig, Johnson, Adams, Rodriguez, Costello, Bradford and Jones absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Mr. Urbach thanked the Mayor and Council for recognition of their organization and stated that they tried to help as many as they could get through depression and bipolar disorder. Council Members Stardig, Johnson, Adams, Rodriguez, Costello, Bradford and Jones absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Member Gonzalez stated that depression impacted many and he advocated to bring more awareness to it; and thanked the group for their work. Council Members Stardig, Johnson, Adams, Rodriguez, Costello, Bradford and Jones absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Member Noriega invited the Women of Rotary to the podium and stated that for over 40 years the Women of Rotary partnered with the City of Houston Department of Health and Human Services Bureau of Oral Health and served as the Project Saving Smiles volunteers for decades and touched the lives of many children; and Mayor Parker thanked the group for their work and presented them a Proclamation saluting the group and wishing them continued success and proclaimed today as "Women of Rotary Day" in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig, Adams, Rodriguez, Bradford and Jones absent.

A Spokesperson for the group thanked the Mayor and Council for the recognition and stated that they had a wonderful time working with Dr. Young and the children of Houston and expressed special thanks to Ms. Pat Walker and Mr. John Stewart their welfare chairmen. Council Members Stardig, Adams, Rodriguez, Bradford and Jones absent.

Council Members Clutterbuck and Costello expressed their thanks and gratitude to the group for their work. Council Members Stardig, Adams, Rodriguez, Lovell, Bradford and Jones absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Member Johnson invited the men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity to the podium and stated that in 1911 the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity was founded and derived from the Greek phrase meaning "friendship is the essence to the soul" and since its inception they remained committed and dedicated to the ideals its founders envisioned which was commitment and service to others; that their new chapter was founded in 1926 and on July 10, 2011, the new chapter celebrated 85 years of service in Houston and they would celebrate their 100 anniversary July 7 through the 31, 2011, and Mayor Parker presented the group a Proclamation

wishing them the best on their celebration and proclaimed today as Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated Day" in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig, Rodriguez, Lovell, Bradford and Jones absent.

Mr. Bertran Simmons, president of the group, thanked the Mayor and Council for the recognition and stated that they did continue to strive to be shining examples of what a man should be and were involved in many community projects. Council Members Stardig, Rodriguez, Lovell, Bradford and Jones absent.

Council Member Adams thanked the group for all their work and commended and congratulated them on their anniversary. Council Members Stardig, Rodriguez, Lovell, Bradford and Jones absent.

At 1:59 p.m. Mayor Parker called on Council Member Gonzalez who invited Pastor Henry Garza with Park Temple Baptist Church to lead all in prayer and Council Member Gonzalez led all in the pledge. Council Members Stardig, Rodriguez, Bradford and Jones absent.

At 1:59 p.m. the City Secretary called the roll. Council Member Sullivan absent on city business. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. Council Members Stardig, Bradford and Jones absent.

Council Members Costello and Gonzales moved that the minutes of the preceding meeting be adopted. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Sullivan absent on city business. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. Council Members Stardig, Bradford and Jones absent. MOTION ADOPTED.

Council Member Noriega moved the rules be suspended for the purpose of adding Mr. Steve Flores to the top of the three minute Speakers List, seconded by Council Member Costello. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Sullivan absent on city business. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. Council Members Stardig, Bradford and Jones absent. MOTION 2011-0570 ADOPTED.

At 2:00 p.m. the City Secretary began calling the public speakers. Council Members Stardig, Bradford and Jones absent.

Mr. Gary Lendennie, 4700 W. Sam Houston Pkwy. #200, Houston, Texas 77041 (281-802-3467) appeared and stated that he was the Public Sector Account Manager with Sprint which handled the Government Vertical in the Houston market and was present to thank the Mayor, her team and Council Members for choosing Sprint in the wireless services RFP and for questions which helped vet out the overall solution of what they brought to the city; that they were extremely excited at the opportunity to potentially partner with the City of Houston and he hoped the city was confident in their capabilities; that they were extremely sound and ranked 67 on the Fortune 1,000 List. Council Members Stardig and Jones absent.

Mr. Brian Hudnet, 4700 W. Sam Houston Pkwy. #200, Houston, Texas 77041 (281-802-3467) appeared and stated that he was a member of the Sprint Emergency Response Team and their value added to the proposal being looked at; that they augmented existing emergency communication plans with a robust and reliable speed; that they had 3,800 deployments since its inception in 2002 and of those had done 35 presidential declared disasters and 11 national security events; that during Hurricane Ike Spring deployed 21 satellite assets simultaneously on air and restored communications to the UTMB Medical Center, etc.; that their team worked closely with the National Network Disaster Recovery Team restoring communications to critical entities the public, hospitals, etc. Council Members Stardig, Johnson, Noriega and Jones absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Adams, Mr. Hudnet stated that Sprint headquarters were in Kansas; that seven of their satellite assets were kept in the Dallas area and could be in the Houston area within four hours; that during Katrina almost all services were lost, but Sprint's Emergency Response Team brought in satellite assets and supported the New Orleans Police Department and their SWAT Team and hospital and at the evacuation center in the Super Dome and they responded within 24 hours of Katrina making landfall. Council Members Stardig, Johnson, Rodriguez, Noriega and Jones absent.

Ms. Betsy Kutach, 12220 Murphy Road, Stafford, Texas 77477 (281-575-8500) appeared and stated that she was the Branch Manager with Premier Wireless and their staff combined had over 150 years of wireless industry experience and the City's account would be in very good hands; that they had one of Sprint's busiest dealer locations in Houston and 80% was commercial accounts, the bottom line was their employees were versed in handling commercial accounts. Council Members Stardig, Rodriguez and Jones absent.

Mayor Parker stated that Premiere Wireless was the proposed minority partner in the Sprint contract and the firm had been in the business a long time and not created for this contract; and Ms. Kutach stated that was correct. Council Members Rodriguez and Jones absent.

Mr. Aaron Williams, 4700 W. Sam Houston Pkwy. #200, Houston, Texas 77041 (281-802-3467) appeared and stated that he was present on behalf of Premier Wireless who he had been with over 12 years; that when Hurricane Rita hit they were deploying phones to churches set up for shelters and still out doing so at midnight; that they went beyond the call of duty. Council Members Rodriguez and Jones absent.

Ms. Lea Bogle, 2100 Willow Lake Drive, Houston, Texas 77077 (281-802-3467) appeared and stated that she was the owner of Premier Wireless and in the industry 28 years, owed Premier for 17 years and a Sprint/Nextel dealer for 14 years; that they supported public sector accounts and with the city their role would be to take care of servicing and repair of devices as they broke and would continue training as necessary; that they would also work with departments to offer solutions to solve challenges and bring efficiencies driving down operating costs; and if awarded the contract would open in Downtown Houston employing six to eight additional people. Council Member Rodriguez absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Adams, Ms. Bogle stated that she was the owner of Premier Wireless, the MWBE; that they did provide 4G services; and Council Member Adams stated that she would be sending a email to Legal to verify pricing on the 4G services within the next five years. Council Members Johnson and Rodriguez absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Jones, Ms. Bogle stated that she was not union. Council Members Johnson and Rodriguez absent.

Mayor Parker stated that she understood they had done other government contracts; and upon questions, Ms. Bogle stated that was correct, Premier Wireless in partnership with Sprint was the face to face day in and day out for Ft. Bend County; that they worked with Brazoria and Wharton County and other small cities, etc. Council Members Johnson and Rodriguez absent.

Council Member Adams stated that who ever came up next for Sprint she would like them to address the pricing analysis for 4G through the next five years and she discussed the pricing between AT&T and Sprint on data and voice services; that she wanted to know where the significant savings were and she would show pricing to Legal as what was sent to AT&T was different than what the Mayor's Office presented her, she wanted correct answers and she

thought Sprint provided good service, but if they got the contract she hoped to see them more in the community vs. giving back to the community and not just because they got the contract, it should have been something they were doing prior to getting the contract. Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez and Lovell absent.

Mr. Jim Choate, 4700 W. Sam Houston Pkwy. #200, Houston, Texas 77041 (281-802-3467) appeared and stated that he was Sales Director for Sprint Business in South Texas; and he would try and answer as many of the questions as he could in his two minutes; that they had approximately 400 employees in Houston and 30 retail locations, corporate headquarters was in Kansas City, Missouri, their South Texas headquarters were located in Houston where he and many of his colleagues were located; that they were present regarding the wireless solutions as the city determined their services were superior to their competitors and it was reported they were \$3million lower than their competition and similar processes positioned them as the lead wireless provider to the City of New York, Los Angeles, Chicago and hopefully Houston along with many other municipality and governmental agencies. Council Members Johnson and Lovell absent.

Ms. Laurette Canizares, 1401 Richmond Avenue #290, Houston, Texas 77067 (713-790-1083) appeared and stated that she was the new Executive Director of the Houston Museum District Association; that the Museum District was a major attraction to tourist, each year 8,000,000 came to Houston to enjoy the museums; that many received city HOT funds and she wanted to thank the Council for continually supporting the district and their efforts through those funds and she looked forward to working with them in her new role with the Museum District. Council Members Johnson and Lovell absent.

Mr. Steve Flores, who was previously added to the Speakers List, appeared and stated that people had heard about one company vs. the other and who could provide better service, etc., that in Market Square they were the ones who provided the service and to his heart he knew they provided the better service and to the others they provided the better service, but AT&T had 5,450 current workers and about 4,000 retirees who worked for AT&T or SW Bell and retired and Sprint had not been around 30 years. Council Members Johnson and Lovell absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Adams, Mr. Flores stated that if the city went with the other company it would affect employees; that AT&T had been doing business in the city well over 100 years and they had 4,000 union members in the area; and Council Member Adams stated and probably a strong possibility of those may lose their jobs based on how they move forward; and Mr. Flores stated probably a couple hundred lived outside the city. Council Members Johnson and Lovell absent.

Mayor Parker stated that she was sorry she did not know she saw any representation that anyone would lose their jobs if the contract was let; and upon questions, Mr. Flores stated that he was saying they could lose jobs; that he was not present because they were being threatened; that he did not know of any, but it was a possibility. Council Members Johnson and Lovell absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Jones, Mr. Flores stated that they were union; and Mayor Parker stated that Mr. Flores was the new president of the local. Council Members Johnson and Lovell absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Noriega, Mr. Flores stated that 4G was the near future of the wireless business, 3G was not even advertised anymore, 4G was faster and better and they would give it to the city at 3G prices. Council Members Johnson and Lovell absent.

Mr. Mauricio Campos, 1122 E. 11th, Houston, Texas 77009 (713-557-8022) appeared,

presented information and stated that he was the founder and Executive Director for the Brazilian Arts Foundation and present regarding HOT funds; that they were nonprofit and dedicated to providing cultural education and performance offerings; that last year they provided 550 classes for youth, 65 performances with 35 in the school system and 750 classes in dance and music for adults, etc., that the HOT funds allowed them to do much and last year they served 17,000 people and they were vital to them. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Adams, Lovell and Jones absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Council Member Noriega thanked Mr. Campos for coming and upon questions, Mr. Campos stated that Capoeira was a mix of dance and martial arts developed by the African people when they were brought to Brazil as workers for the Portuguese. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Adams and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales stated that he had been inside his place and thanked him for being in District H. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Adams and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Cissy Segall Davis, 6000 Hermann Park Drive, Houston, Texas 77030 (281-619-8132) appeared and stated that she was present regarding HOT funds for the Arts; that she was with the Miller Outdoor Theater and represented the Advisory Board, they were stewards of the city's public dollars, specifically to provide professional caliber performances and always free of charge; that their programs were the largest of their kind in the country and it was because of the city's help and support; that the last year they had 431,000 who came to the performances and this year they were on target to exceed their number last year; and thanked all for their support. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Adams and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Council Member Stardig thanked Ms. Davis for all she did; that she went out and there were so many there enjoying a great venue. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Adams and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Andrew Huang, 1221 McKinney #3434, Houston, Texas 77010 (713-658-8938) appeared and stated that it was an honor to represent the Houston Theater District and he was present to thank all for their continued support of the performing arts through the HOT funds which was an extremely important source of revenue for the groups to do the work that they did; that last year they had almost 2.1 million people attend in the theater district and it was a district all could be proud of and contributed to everyone's quality of life. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Adams, Pennington, Rodriguez and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Members Noriega and Jones agreed the arts were very important and thanked all for coming and for their work. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Pennington, Rodriguez and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Linder Gatterson, 5628 Tuskegee, Houston, Texas 77091 (832-883-4556) appeared and stated that her issue was with the layoff she received from HPD after 10-1/2 years; that she had an open injury on duty case in the appeal process, an unfair EPE rated on hearsay and not what was known; that she had been sent to Internal Affairs three times and two were exonerated for lack of evidence and the third was a written reprimand; that she was accused of a lot and no one ever would listen to her, her supervisor put her under a lot of stress and the Chief would not talk to anyone laid off; that she spoke with Executive Chief Munden and he listened but went on to tell her what a Lieutenant told him; that she had trouble with her supervisor for years and did all she could to secure her job by being placed somewhere else and she did want to be reinstated because if a supervisor did not like you your EPE would be

bad. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Pennington and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez stated that Ms. Gatterson had been through appeal processes available; and Ms. Gatterson stated that she went through it and it was denied, but she had been exercising the process; and Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez stated that Mr. Roland Bienvenu with Human Resources was present and he could visit with her at this time. Mayor Parker, Council Members Pennington, Bradford and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Upon questions by Council Member Jones, Ms. Gatterson stated that she thought when a decision was going to be made it should be thoroughly investigated and heard from both sides to come up with your own conclusions; that she did not like hearsay and that was all her EPE was about; that she went through the appeal process but had no hearing, they said she did not even have to come they were just reviewing it, she had no hearing, no chance to speak; and Council Member Jones stated that she heard that a lot from people and if their jobs were being taken and there was a process in place she did not understand why they would not be able to speak on their own behalf and that troubled her; and Ms. Gatterson stated that she had three captains who knew of her situation and one so upset and went to grievance with it and then he pulled her from under her supervisor, but when they transferred him out they wiggled her back under him. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Pennington, Rodriguez, Bradford and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Ms. Sharon Ballard, P. O. Box 75331, Houston, Texas 77234 (713-444-2124) appeared and stated that prior to July 1, 2011, she was employed by the Houston Airport System for 19 years and 10 months; that she was present today in support of all her coworkers who appeared before Council, especially Mr. Richard Arnold and Mr. Denise Adjay, she could relate to their stories because of her problems with airport management which was too much to discuss at this time; that she had been subjected to discrimination, harassment and retaliation and she believed her layoff was retaliation and she found it problematic when management was the perpetrators and decision makers in layoffs; that her combined three year EPE score was 12.39 and the relationship between management and employee needed to be improved at the Airport, issues were rarely resolved and when employees spoke out there were consequences; that she met with every level of management and no one ever got back with her; that economics were important but so were employees. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Pennington, Rodriguez, Bradford and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Member Jones stated that this was directed to the Administration; that this weekend she was somewhere Director Reed spoke and there were questions on people with the city a long time being laid off, there was a statement made if you were within a year of retirement you were given the option to retire, but when you had employees 18 to 20 years and they were laid off and it was too late because of age to be able to go somewhere else and put in enough years for a pension then you had affected their retirement and she would like to know from the Administration what the policy was for those midrange employees in the honeymoon part of their employment and what they were doing as people were being put in a very difficult spot; that she was incredibly concerned with those who were up in age and could not go somewhere long enough to retire; and Ms. Ballard's story concerned her and she would try and look into it. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Clutterbuck, Pennington, Rodriguez, Bradford, Lovell and Noriega absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez stated that they would request a written response for her from the Director and he was sorry they did not have all the details about Ms. Ballard's particular

incident but Mr. Roland Bienvenu with Human Resources was outside and someone with the Mayor's Citizens Assistance Office could connect her with him. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Clutterbuck, Pennington, Rodriguez, Bradford, Lovell and Noriega absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Mr. Joseph Omo Omuari, 3939 N. Frwy #210, Houston, Texas 77022 (832-696-9204) appeared, presented information and stated that he wanted to address the homeless civility ordinance, he felt it was another intrusion of civil rights, human rights and individual rights such as the law against panhandling; that panhandling was a job, people even tried selling water and would be stopped by police; that homelessness was a very diverse community and he would like them to look at a comprehensive 20 year master plan; and to really address homelessness you needed to address the low and moderate income housing levels; that there was a wasteland of residential and commercial properties and probably tax delinquent and it should be adjudicated property and do something with it. Council Members Stardig, Clutterbuck, Pennington, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Mr. William Beal, no address (no phone) had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Clutterbuck, Pennington, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Mr. Mark Gonzales, 4351 Telephone #113, Houston, Texas 77087 (281-787-9838) had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Clutterbuck, Pennington, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Mr. Craig Stewart, 1269 W. 17th, Houston, Texas 77008 (281-736-6706) had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Clutterbuck, Pennington, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Mr. Santos Martinez, 209 South 74th, Houston, Texas 77011 (832-723-4147) had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Clutterbuck, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Mr. Herman Craft, 10526 Bretton, Houston, Texas 77016 (713-633-2151) appeared and stated that an alarm system was in his home with a keypad to turn off and on; that this year he was out working in the yard and he triggered the alarm with the keys that were in his pocket and police showed up and he was surprised, he did not know what was happening; that the second time his wife came in with a lot of books and he tried calling the 800 number of the security company to deactivate it as it was not an emergency but he was kept on hold with all lines busy and meanwhile HPD showed up in less than 10 minutes; that the third time was when it triggered when they were pulling suitcases and they called Central Security again and again lines were busy and again HPD showed up; that he received a letter and the city was charging him \$360.00 for false alarms and he did trigger them, but he was not able to cancel so it was not his fault and he was a senior on a fixed income and it was \$360.00 for something he could not correct. Council Members Stardig, Clutterbuck, Adams, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Upon questions by Mayor Parker, Mr. Craft stated that he contacted the alarm company and they said if the alarm triggered again they would call him first for a code; and Mayor Parker stated that there was an ordinance and when there were so many false alarms the person was charged and they could not get around that, but she did not know how many; and Mr. Craft stated that today he had a hearing set for July 29th. Council Members Stardig, Clutterbuck, Adams, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Member Jones stated that Mr. Craft should speak with his alarm company, but her larger concern was public policy and if you called your alarm company and they were busy or you called the city and they were busy, but you caught it before HPD arrived it seemed the ordinance could be revised, maybe call 311 within a reasonable time and then cancel the alarm; and Mayor Parker stated that there were multi options with the alarm company and he probably signed up to have immediate dispatch so his first step would be communication with the alarm company; and Council Member Jones stated that her question was why could they not use 311 in the process and could they discuss it at committee or something; and Mayor Parker stated that it was entirely up to the committee chair. Council Members Stardig, Clutterbuck, Adams, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Mr. Michael Tavera, 4311 Kinloch Drive, Houston, Texas 77084 (713-732-4088) appeared, presented information to Council Member Stardig and stated that he lived in the area of Glen Caren and approximately 2,700 homeowners desperately needed Council's help; that several homeowners left their homes due to the association and management and he may have to do the same thing; that he had proof they were not abiding to the bylaws but they were governing the area with an iron fist and shoving the bylaws to the others; that the homeowners were afraid to fight the association and he went to the members and got yelled at with his question; that they were being forced out of their home, he was wanting to do something on his property; that the information to Council Member Stardig had to do with the board members. Council Members Clutterbuck, Adams, Lovell and Noriega absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Pennington, Mr. Tavera stated that they were not to have a fence higher than six feet, but board members had a fence seven feet and two inches; that a shed could not be higher than seven feet and he was trying to build one nine feet, but a board member built hers ten to eleven feet high and it was to be covered and hers was open; that all fences were to be wood, but a board member had cement one foot high and then the fence; that board members did not leave and people who tried to go in could not be voted in, they would not show you your votes, they just said you did not get enough; and upon questions by Council Member Pennington, Mayor Parker stated that the city had no jurisdiction over the operation of homeowner associations and Mr. Tavera knew that and though they felt great sympathy it was private agreements when the home was purchased. Council Members Clutterbuck, Lovell and Noriega absent.

Council Member Jones stated that associations were regulated by the state and the city body could not make them do anything; that their other alternative would be to sue them or they could lobby the legislature and have them change things. Council Members Lovell and Noriega absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Stardig, Mr. Tavera stated that he was in the city limits. Council Members Lovell and Noriega absent.

Council Member Clutterbuck moved the rules be suspended for the purpose of extending the time for questions of Mr. Michael Tavera, seconded by Council Member Stardig. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Sullivan absent on city business. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. Council Members Lovell and Noriega absent. MOTION 2011-0571 ADOPTED.

Upon questions by Council Member Stardig, Mr. Tavera stated that it was Glen Caren; and Council Member Stardig stated that she knew where that was, but she would need more information and would meet with him at this time. Council Members Lovell and Noriega absent.

Mr. Joseph Moore, 7126 Round Rock Park Lane, Richmond, Texas 77407 (713-384-3853)

appeared and stated that he was present on behalf of a customer Ms. Lorie Solis whose son was involved in an accident on January 7th on 290 and 34th; that she believed she should be able to take possession of her car at the scene of an accident as long as her son was not taken in for intoxication, etc., she had asked for her car to be paid for at the scene and he sent a driver with adequate funds but he was asked to leave the scene and the officer did not give him opportunity to identify himself or say why he was there and at this point her car was still sitting in storage and had been and racking up charges; that the officer had ordered the wrecker driver to take the car to storage and he was present to see if they could intervene and get this resolved; that she was unable to come and asked if he would on her behalf. Council Members Lovell and Noriega absent.

Mayor Parker stated that Sergeant Baltazar...; and Mr. Moore stated that Sergeant Baltazar stated that his hands were tied; and Mayor Parker stated that the question was if someone was responsible at the scene of an accident and the car was drivable and someone could prove they by right should have the car was it appropriate for officers to allow the car to be taken or was it mandatory...; that she did not know the rules and she would like the Sergeant to walk Mr. Moore through that and provide information to her and the Council as well; and Mr. Moore stated that this was on the freeway and Ms. Solis and her son were present and he was not taken to the hospital or arrested and she should have been able to pay the wrecker and take her car; and Mayor Parker stated that if an officer did not follow rules there maybe an opportunity to resolve it and that was why she asked he speak with Sergeant Baltazar. Council Members Stardig, Lovell and Noriega absent.

Council Member Jones stated that for her and the public edification she would like to know what their rights were and whatever was said it needed to be said here; that storage facilities routinely sold cars because people could not afford to pay; and Mayor Parker stated that under the SafeClear Ordinance you did have 48 hours to retrieve your car without having to pay storage fees and she would ask the Sergeant to be sure all at the table were educated on what the rules were. Council Members Stardig, Johnson and Lovell absent.

Mr. Gary Noble, 863 Myrtle Lane, Houston, Texas 77079 (713-826-8773) appeared, presented information and stated that he had a problem now about six months with Public Works with a water main break February 6th; that a backhoe was placed in the middle of his front yard and tore it up rather than doing it from the street and they had emails to Krueger and assurances from Ms. Stephanie Williams, the supervisor, it would be fixed correctly and a crew came and fixed the grass, but it was dead and never corrected, then another crew came to fix the sprinkler and did not do it correctly and he had taken off work three times and called the Mayor's Office and Mr. Medina, Chief of Staff, had Mr. Harold Tate call him and he said he was the guy who got things fixed and he went to his house and checked and called him back and he said he could get reimbursed and get his own contractor and took forms to him the next day; that he got three bids like he was told, had it fixed and sent the request to him and then received a letter from Legal wanting information and on the 6th they received a letter from Legal the claim was denied because it was an easement and Council Member Pennington's office when contacted said no one could do anything once Legal was involved. Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent.

Council Member Jones stated if someone from the city told him to fix it and to get quotes and he did what was told then why would he not get paid, it reeked unfairness; and was there a rule nothing could be done once Legal was involved and she would like to know from the Administration. Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent.

Council Member Pennington stated that the argument made was a technical argument and maybe improvements were in the easement, but he knew the city replaced grass in easements and he was told to go ahead and it did not seem to be consistent with city policy or

fairness; and Mayor Parker stated that she agreed and stated to Mr. Medina to fix this. Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent.

Mr./Coach R. J. (Bobby) Taylor, 3107 Sumpter, Houston, Texas 77026 (FA#-4511) had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez, Lovell, Noriega and Jones absent.

Mr. Ali Muhammad, 5012 Winetka, Houston, Texas 77021 (713-747-8363) appeared and stated that he was present to urge the Mayor and Council to act immediately with the civilian review board with subpoena power and prosecutorial power and proper funding; that they just recently witnessed a female officer punching a suspect in the mouth and that to him said she felt nothing would happen to her and she was correct, she would be suspended with pay and then get her job back and then she would sue for back pay and that was shameful; that he knew the city had lobbyist and they needed to lobby to not have their citizens beat by officers; that in the early 1900's his Grandfather told him he witnessed officers beating Black men and this was now. Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Pennington, Mr. Muhammad stated that he wanted a citizen review board; that right now Internal Affairs investigated police and that was the fox guarding the hen house, 90% on the panel knew that, when incidents and murder came up they needed to be investigated by an independent board; that if such a board was made it would be supported by all not just the minorities. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez, Lovell and Noriega absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Council Member Jones stated to Council Member Pennington that the police, mayor and Council would have unified support if they did a civilian review committee with subpoena power, it had been going on since before she was born; that was the impasse, people wanted to stand with the police and help them solve crimes, but they would not do it as long as they were going to be targets, no one would believe them and there was no oversight. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

President Joseph Charles, P. O. Box 524373, Houston, Texas 77052-4373 (713-928-2871) had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Reverend Joe Angel Lopez, 13334 Wells River Drive, Houston, Texas 77041 (832-891-2724) had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Clyde Bryan, 10802 Pepper Lane, Houston, Texas 77079 (713-545-4878) had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. James Partsch-Galvan, 1611 Holman, Houston, Texas 77004 (713-528-2607) had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

At 3:30 p.m. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez stated that City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 20, 2011. Council Member Sullivan absent on city business. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. Mayor Parker, Council Members Johnson, Rodriguez and Lovell absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

The Houston City Council reconvened at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 20, 2011, Mayor Annise D. Parker presiding and with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jarvis Johnson, Anne Clutterbuck, Wanda Adams, Mike Sullivan, Oliver Pennington, Edward Gonzalez, James G. Rodriguez, Stephen C. Costello, Sue Lovell, Melissa Noriega, C. O. "Brad" Bradford and Jolanda "Jo" Jones; Mr. David Feldman, City Attorney, Legal Department; Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office, present. Council Member Al Hoang absent on personal business.

At 8:27 a.m. the City Secretary read the descriptions or captions of items on the Agenda.

At 9:21 a.m. Mayor Parker called the meeting to order. Council Members Lovell and Noriega absent.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

### **CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 32**

#### **ACCEPT WORK** - NUMBER 4

4. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$3,825,027.79 and acceptance of work on contract with **METRO CITY CONSTRUCTION, L.P.** for Concrete Pavement Management and Improvement Program (Kashmere Project) - 3.05% over the original contract amount - **DISTRICT B – JOHNSON** - was presented, moved by Council Member Lovell, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. MOTION 2011-0572 ADOPTED.

#### **PROPERTY** - NUMBER 5

5. RECOMMENDATION from Director General Services Department to authorize the sealed bid sale of Parcel SY11-110, the former HPD Property Room, located at 1300 Morin and to appoint Michael Urban and David Ambrose independent appraisers and Andrea Fahrenthold alternate appraiser to establish the value - **DISTRICT H – GONZALEZ** - had been pulled from the Agenda by the Administration, and was not considered.

#### **ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 8 through 32

8. ORDINANCE finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued of a sewer, pipe and conduit easement; vacating and abandoning said easement to John P. and Theresa A. Havens owners in consideration of their dedication of an alternate easement, all within Tract E, River Oaks Homewoods Addition, payment to the City of \$2,100.00, and other consideration; approving an easement conveyance - **DISTRICT G - PENNINGTON** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-610 ADOPTED.
10. ORDINANCE approving the issuance of bonds and notes by the **UPPER KIRBY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY** - **DISTRICTS C - CLUTTERBUCK and G - PENNINGTON** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-611 ADOPTED.
12. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the submission of application to the **UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** for grant assistance

from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the Affordable Care Act - Building Epidemiology Lab and Health Info Systems Capacity for Infectious Disease Grant; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Director of the Houston Department of Health and Human Services or his designee to act as the City's representative in the application process, with the authority to approve, accept, reject, alter or terminate such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the program - \$2,179,893.00 - Grant Fund - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-612 ADOPTED.

13. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the submission of application to the **UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES** for grant assistance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for the Emerging Infections Sentinel Network Project; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Director of the Houston Department of Health and Human Services or his designee to act as the City's representative in the application process, with the authority to approve, accept, reject, alter or terminate such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the program - \$2,250,000.00 Grant Fund - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-613 ADOPTED.
14. Omitted
15. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Performance Based Loan Agreement between the City of Houston and **THE MEN'S CENTER, INCORPORATED, as borrower**, to provide \$3,000,000 of Federal "HOME" Funds to assist with the construction of a 64 unit Transitional Housing Facility to be located at 1108 Alabama and San Jacinto in Houston, Texas, that will provide affordable housing to low and moderate income persons - **DISTRICT I - RODRIGUEZ** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-614 ADOPTED.
16. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Performance Based Loan Agreement between the City of Houston and **VN TEAMWORK, INC, as borrower**, and **GOLDEN BAMBOO III, LTD, as owner**, to provide \$828,450 of Federal "HOME" Funds (CHDO set aside) to assist with the land acquisition and related costs for a 130 unit Senior Housing Community to be located at Synott Road and Bellaire Boulevard in Houston, Texas, that will provide affordable housing to low and moderate income persons - **DISTRICT F - HOANG** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-615 ADOPTED.
17. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Performance Based Loan Agreement between the City of Houston and **RE-WARD THIRD WARD, as borrower**, and **ZION GARDENS, LTD, as owner**, to provide \$1,398,750 of Federal "HOME" Funds to assist with the construction of a 70 unit Multifamily Development to be located at 2500 Webster in Houston, Texas, that will provide affordable housing to low and moderate income persons - **DISTRICT I - RODRIGUEZ** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-616 ADOPTED.
19. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing amendments to the 1993 and 1994 Final Statement of Community Development objectives and projected use of funds and the 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005 and 2008 Consolidated Plans, including the grant applications for the Community Development Block Grant Program, submitted to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended - was

presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-617 ADOPTED.

20. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the submission of a joint application for grant assistance from the Bureau of Justice Assistance to fund the FY2011 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program and approving an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and **HARRIS COUNTY** as joint applicants for such grant; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Mayor to act as the City's representative in the application process; authorizing the Chief of the Houston Police Department, or Acting Chief, or any designated Assistant Chief of the Police Department, to accept such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the application - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-618 ADOPTED.
25. ORDINANCE appropriating \$48,840.00 out of Parks Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation for Professional Architectural Services Contract between the City of Houston and **HARRISON KORNBERG ARCHITECTS, LLC** for Renovation to the Parks and Recreation Department Campus and Park (Approved by Ordinance No. 2006-0086) - **DISTRICT I - RODRIGUEZ** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-619 ADOPTED.
26. ORDINANCE appropriating \$98,485.00 out of Airports Improvement Fund and approving and ratifying the Manual Purchase Order No. SPD-MLK-051111-002 issued to **BURNS & MCDONNELL** for Professional Consulting Services related to Design and Construction of Bypass Chilled Water Lines at George Bush Intercontinental Airport (Project No. 622) - **DISTRICT B - JOHNSON** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-620 ADOPTED.
27. ORDINANCE appropriating \$2,600,000.00 out of Airports Improvement Fund and approving and supplemental allocation to contract for Professional Consulting Services by and between the City of Houston and **JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC** for Airport Spatial Information System Development and Management Services for the Houston Airport System (Project No. 584A); Contract No. 4600007373) - **DISTRICTS B - JOHNSON; E - SULLIVAN and I - RODRIGUEZ** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-621 ADOPTED.
28. ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,562,860.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund for the Chelford City MUD Regional Treatment Facility Improvement Project **DISTRICTS F - HOANG and G - PENNINGTON** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-622 ADOPTED
29. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 12.54 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL & IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 155**, for inclusion in its district - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-623 ADOPTED.
30. ORDINANCE granting to **FCC ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC A Texas Limited Liability 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. Council

Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-624 PASSED FIRST READING IN FULL.

31. ORDINANCE No. 2011-586, passed second reading July 13, 2011  
ORDINANCE granting to **ROBERT E. JENKO, INC d/b/a RELIABLE PIPE CLEANING, A Texas 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 **THIRD AND FINAL READING** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-586 ADOPTED THIRD AND FINAL READING IN FULL.
32. ORDINANCE No. 2011-587, passed second reading July 13, 2011  
ORDINANCE granting to **THE DUMPSTER GUYS, LLC A Texas Limited Liability 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 **THIRD AND FINAL READING** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-587 ADOPTED THIRD AND FINAL READING IN FULL.

**MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA WERE CONSIDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

1. RECOMMENDATION from Director Finance Department for approval of FY2012 Budgets submitted by the **HOUSTON ARTS ALLIANCE, THE HOUSTON MUSEUM DISTRICT ASSOCIATION, MILLER THEATRE ADVISORY BOARD, INC, and THEATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT, INC** for the support, advancement and promotion of the Arts – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Bradford.
2. RECOMMENDATION from Director Finance Department for approval of Supplemental Budgets submitted by the **HOUSTON ARTS ALLIANCE, MILLER THEATRE ADVISORY BOARD, INC, THE MUSEUM DISTRICT ASSOCIATION, and the THEATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT, INC** for the promotion of the Arts – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Bradford.

**ACCEPT WORK** - NUMBER 4

3. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$7,566,523.50 and acceptance of work on contract with **TRIPLE B SERVICES, L.L.P.** for Trinity Houston Gardens Drainage Improvements - 0.08% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT B - JOHNSON** – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Jones.

**PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS**

6. **HEWLETT PACKARD COMPANY** for Technology Hardware through the City's Master Agreement with the Texas Department of Information Resources for the Information Technology Department - \$720,668.67 - Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Jones.

7. **S & S WORLDWIDE, INC** for Recreational, Educational and Miscellaneous Supplies for the Parks & Recreation Department - 5 Years - \$380,000.00 - General Fund – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Pennington. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. MOTION 2011-0573 ADOPTED.

## **ORDINANCES**

9. ORDINANCE amending Exhibit “A” of City of Houston Ordinance No. 2011-88 by adding four Engineer/Operator Positions and one Deputy Chief Position and by deleting one Shop Supervisor Position; substituting the amended exhibit as part of the current Fire Department Classified Personnel Ordinance - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-625 ADOPTED.
11. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing second amendment to contract (Approved by Ordinance No. 2002-0952) between the City of Houston and **ACS STATE AND LOCAL SOLUTIONS, INC** for EMS Ambulance Fee Collection Services - 5 Years - Revenue – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Bradford.
18. ORDINANCE establishing the City-YMCA Joint Homeless Housing Fund in the Housing Special Revenue Fund; establishing the sources and uses of the Fund therein for Homeless Housing Programs funded jointly by the City and the YMCA; authorizing the deposit into the fund under the Fund of the \$285,293 reimbursed by the YMCA pursuant to the grant agreement approved by Ordinance No. 98-476; approving and amendment to the grant agreement approved by Ordinance No. 98-476 – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Jones.
21. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the submission of an application for grant assistance to the **NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE** to fund the FY11 Forensic DNA Backlog Reduction Program; declaring the City’s eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Chief of the Houston Police Department 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. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-626 ADOPTED.
22. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY** for Research Services pertaining to a National Institute of Justice Grant Award for a project titled Action Research to enhance investigations and prosecutions of sexual assaults in Houston; establishing a maximum contract amount \$80,890.03 - Grant Fund – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Jones.
23. ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2009-1359, as amended, to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and **RON SMITH & ASSOCIATES, INC** (Contract #4600009345) for Latent Print Support Services - \$2,832,036.00 - General Fund – was presented, and tagged by Council Members Jones and Bradford.
24. ORDINANCE awarding ten Job Order Contracts between the City of Houston and **VANCE INSULATION, LLC, DSW HOMES, LLC, CBIC CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT, LLC, GREAT AMERICAN INSULATION, INC, BROWN STERLING BUILDERS, INC, TLC ENGINEERING, INC, HORIZON INTERNATIONAL GROUP, LLC, PEDRAZA**

**HVAC, INC, EXCELSIOR DEVELOPMENT, INC, and LONE STAR ROOFING HOME REPAIR SERVICES, INC** for the General Services Department Residential Energy Efficiency Program, contingent on contractor's submission of all required contract documents; providing a maximum contract amount 1 Year - \$5,000,000.00 per contract – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Jones.

Council Member Costello requested Council Member Jones to remove her tag for a brief discussion, and Council Member Jones agreed.

Council Member Costello stated that he was puzzled about the request because of the fact that they had about \$10 million left to be spent but yet the request for the RCA they wanted to retain 10 companies with the maximum contract amount of \$5 million, which was \$50 million, that he would like to have that modified slightly, that obviously he was puzzled why they were authorizing \$50 million when they had to only spend \$12 million, and Mayor Parker stated that it was noted and the item was going to be tagged and she would make sure that he would get the answer, that it was actually \$5 million not \$50 million, and Council Member Costello stated that it was \$5 million per contract and 10 contracts was \$50 million.

After further discussion by Council Member Sullivan, Mayor Parker stated that they were limited by the total allocation of money, which was the \$10 million, but each individual contractor could take up to half of that, but they had the total cap on it that could not be exceeded, that any of these contractors could be called upon for the work and any of the contractors could reach up to half of the total amount available if they did that much of the work, and Council Member Sullivan asked that they add his tag to the item.

Council Member Jones asked if she could put her tag back on Item No. 24, and Mayor Parker stated that Item No. 24 was tagged by Council Members Jones and Sullivan.

### **NON CONSENT AGENDA - NUMBER 33**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

33. **SET A HEARING DATE** regarding amendments to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NO. 17 (MEMORIAL CITY ZONE) - DISTRICTS A - STARDIG and G – PENNINGTON - HEARING DATE - 9:00 A.M. - WEDNESDAY - AUGUST 3, 2011** – was presented.

Council Member Stardig moved to set Wednesday, August 3, 2011, regarding amendments to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for Reinvestment Zone No. 17 (Memorial City Zone), seconded by Council Member Pennington. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. MOTION 2011-0574 ADOPTED.

#### **MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 34 through 40**

34. WRITTEN Motion by Council Member Costello to amend Item 28A below to amend Section 4 of the ordinance to reduce the maximum contract amount from \$20 million to \$13.5 million – **(This was Item 28 on Agenda of July 6, 2011, POSTPONED BY MOTION #2011-550)** - was presented.

After discussion by Council Members, Council Member Johnson moved to postpone Item No. 34 for two weeks, seconded by Council Member Jones, and a roll call vote was called.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Parker voting aye	Council Member Gonzalez voting no
Council Member Stardig voting no	Council Member Rodriguez voting no
Council Member Johnson voting aye	Council Member Costello voting no
Council Member Clutterbuck voting no	Council Member Lovell voting no
Council Member Adams voting aye	Council Member Noriega voting no
Council Member Sullivan voting no	Council Member Bradford voting aye
Council Member Hoang absent on personal business.	Council Member Jones voting aye
Council Member Pennington voting no	MOTION 2011-0575 FAILED.

A roll call vote was called on Item No. 34.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Parker voting aye	Council Member Gonzalez voting aye
Council Member Stardig voting aye	Council Member Rodriguez voting aye
Council Member Johnson voting aye	Council Member Costello voting aye
Council Member Clutterbuck voting aye	Council Member Lovell voting aye
Council Member Adams voting aye	Council Member Noriega voting aye
Council Member Sullivan voting aye	Council Member Bradford voting aye
Council Member Hoang absent on personal business.	Council Member Jones voting no
Council Member Pennington voting aye	MOTION 2011-0576 ADOPTED.

- 34a. ORDINANCE awarding contract to **SPRINT SOLUTIONS, INC** for Next Generation Wireless Devices and Services for the Information Technology Department; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$20,000,000.00 - Central Service Revolving Fund – **(This was Item 28A on Agenda of July 6, 2011, POSTPONED BY MOTION #2011-551)** – was presented.

Council Member Costello stated that he had submitted an amendment in writing and moved to amend Item No. 34a as follows:

“I move to amend Section 12 of Exhibit A-1 Basic Services; Attachment A – Wireless Services Term and Volume Discount and Section 2.11 of Exhibit A-1; Attachment A-2 – Nationwide Sprint Network Custom Business Plans and Policies of the Contract between the City and Sprint Solutions, Inc. to provide Wireless Communications Equipment and Services for various City of Houston Departments, Item 34a on the July 20, 2011 Agenda, by substituting the document attached to this Motion, Exhibit A-1 Basic Services; Attachment A – Wireless Services Term and Volume Discount and Exhibit A-1; Attachment A-2 – Nationwide Sprint Network Custom Business Plans and Policies for the contract submitted to Council as Item 14 on the June 28, 2011 Agenda.”

Mayor Parker stated that this was in response to the questions raised during the three week delay that they had on the item, an attempt to nail down the questions asked by Council Members and insert that into the main contract, that the administration urged the adoption of the amendment before the consideration of Item No. 34a, that she would oppose any further delay on the item once the amendment was adopted.

After further discussion by Council Members, Mayor Parker stated that this particular motion simply codified the answers that were received through the three week additional process, it did not change anything in the basic parameters of the contract, but did place those items that Council Members were most concerned about into focus and tied down the numbers on those.

A vote was called on Council Member Costello's motion to amend Item No. 34a. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. MOTION 2011-0577 ADOPTED.

Council Member Johnson moved to postpone Item No. 34a for two weeks, seconded by Council Member Adams. Council Members Johnson and Adams voting yes, balance voting no. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. MOTION 2011-0578 FAILED.

A roll call vote was called on Item No. 34a as amended.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Parker voting aye	Council Member Gonzalez voting no
Council Member Stardig voting aye	Council Member Rodriguez voting aye
Council Member Johnson voting no	Council Member Costello voting aye
Council Member Clutterbuck voting aye	Council Member Lovell voting aye
Council Member Adams voting no	Council Member Noriega voting no
Council Member Sullivan voting aye	Council Member Bradford voting no
Council Member Hoang absent on personal business.	Council Member Jones voting no
Council Member Pennington voting aye	ORDINANCE 2011-0627 ADOPTED.

35. RECOMMENDATION from Director Planning & Development Department to designate an Honorary Street Marker for **MS. HAZEL MAE TATE** located at the intersection of Memel Street and West Huntington Street - **DISTRICT B – JOHNSON – (This was Item 4 on Agenda of July 13, 2011, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER JONES)** – was presented, moved by Council Member Lovell, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. MOTION 2011-0579 ADOPTED.
36. ORDINANCE appropriating \$12,069,827.00 out of Airports Improvement Fund; amending Manual Purchase Order No. SPR-SRD-040511-001 to **COMFORT SYSTEMS USA, SOUTH CENTRAL, INC** for Construction of Chilled Water Lines at George Bush Intercontinental Airport (ratified by Ordinance No. 2011-588) to increase the maximum spending authority to \$17,068,827.00 and to incorporate the construction addendum thereto as on file in the Houston Airport System **DISTRICT B - JOHNSON – (This was Item 12 on Agenda of July 13, 2011, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS JOHNSON and HOANG)** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-0628 ADOPTED.
37. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Lease Agreement between the City of Houston and **SUMMIT SEAFOOD SUPPLY, INC** for certain premises at William P. Hobby Airport - **DISTRICT I - RODRIGUEZ – (This was Item 13 on Agenda of July 13, 2011, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HOANG)** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-0629 ADOPTED.
38. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City and the **GREATER HOUSTON CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU** for the enhancement of Protocol Services and mutual coordination efforts in the promotion of tourism and the solicitation of Convention business - \$420,000.00 - General Fund – **(This was Item 18 on Agenda of July 13, 2011, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS JOHNSON, CLUTTERBUCK and STARDIG)** – was presented.

After discussion by Council Members, Mayor Parker stated that this was a part of an overall effort to clarify and tighten up their responsibilities, vis-à-vis, the Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau, that with the creation of the new LGC, Houston First, the Convention and Visitors Bureau contract was now under Houston First, but there had long been tension over where the protocol responsibilities should be, that many of them had worked with the Protocol Office within the Convention and Visitors Bureau but their primary responsibilities had been to deal with visiting elected officials to work with City officials as they interacted with their counterparts around the world, that her belief was that responsibility, the protocol interactions, needed to be under the public body and public officials rather than as an afterthought in the Convention and Visitors Bureau, that these discussions with the Convention and Visitors Bureau had been ongoing for some time, they consider it to be an ancillary service that they had been providing not in their core business and she believed that it was in the City's core business, that the General Fund would bill Houston First quarterly first for the Hot Tax Funds to fund this service just as this service had been funded over time, but this put it squarely where it belonged; that Mr. O'Neal and the entire Protocol Office would be reported through Saba Abashawl at the Houston Airport System.

A vote was called on Item No. 38. Council Members Clutterbuck and Jones voting no, balance voting yes. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2011-0630 ADOPTED.

39. MUNICIPAL Setting Designation Ordinance prohibiting the use of designated groundwater beneath one tract of land containing 6.5040 acres commonly known as 18310 Market Street Houston, Harris County, Texas; and supporting issuance of a Municipal Setting Designation by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality – **(This was Item 23 on Agenda of July 13, 2011, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SULLIVAN)** – was presented.

Council Member Sullivan stated that there had been a long time superfund site within probably 100 yards of where this MSD was going to be, that Congressman Gene Green had worked hard to insure that site was cleaned up and County Attorney Vince Ryan had also been involved in it, but just this past week there were media reports that he thought highlighted the importance of the item and he wanted to bring it up because they had public speakers from Baytown a few weeks ago talking about water quality and their concern about contaminated groundwater, and read a paragraph “there is concern now that there is a second waste site, testing in the area around the existing waste pits had discovered an additional site which may be toxic, according to Ryan, a three to five acre site south of the I-10 bridge has shown levels of toxicity and will require further monitoring, this location is on the property of several shipyards in the area approximately where the Old Market Street dead ends there at the San Jacinto River”, that he had spent an unusual amount of time on the item, Public Works had been very responsive and came over yesterday in a follow up meeting, that nobody usually noticed this type of stuff but since it was next to the other Super Fund site he just wanted to make sure they were all aware of it, that the MSD would serve a very important function and that was his purpose of bringing attention to it. Council Member Rodriguez absent.

A vote was called on Item No. 39. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. Council Member Rodriguez absent. ORDINANCE 2011-631 ADOPTED.

40. MOTION by Council Member Lovell/Seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the recommendation from the Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of the Municipal Drainage Utility System Appeal Process – **(This was Item 26 on Agenda of July 13, 2011, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CLUTTERBUCK)** – was presented.

Council Member Pennington stated that Mayor Parker had asked him to work as the Chairman of the Flooding and Drainage Committee and to work with her staff to interact with several of the Council Members who had an issue on this, as well as several trade groups and constituents, that he appreciated the effort that the administration had made and noted the memo that Mayor Parker had circulated today, which incorporated several changes that had been requested, giving property owners an unlimited time to appeal, if they had not appealed before, to allow appeal upon the change of ownership and also to set up a second level of hearing examiners, that one of the most important things they were doing right now with this program was to set up a procedure that would ensure fair hearings and would give credibility to the program over a long period of time, that he thought that all of the changes that were included in the motion, and also Mayor Parker's memo, were well needed and appreciated Mayor Parker proposing those, and Mayor Parker stated that actually it was Council Member Sullivan that first raised the issue of an appeal and knew that Council Member Bradford did as well and she wanted to thank Council Member Pennington for working to codify all of these items.

After discussion by Council Members, Mayor Parker stated that yes, the people on the Appeals Board were appointed by the Director of Public Works; that to clarify Hearing Examiners were specially trained and hired to hear the appeals, they were not City employees, they were paid on a contract basis for the number of appeals that they hear; that for this initial process they could appeal until the end of the year and it would be retroactively applied, that going forward it would be available in the year in which they make the appeal but not going back, if they waited five years they were not going back to the previous four years to recapture, and Mr. Feldman stated that it was effective for the year in which the appeal was made and then going forward.

After further questions by Council Members, Mayor Parker stated that any future Mayor or City Council's could bring an item back up in ordinance form and amend it, that generally for ordinances the actual application included a set of administrative procedures, so this followed their normal practice where there were administrative procedures to give direction to staff that had to implement the ordinance that Council passed. Council Member Rodriguez absent.

Mr. Feldman stated that because of the Pennington amendment to the original ordinance the process could not be changed without Council's approval because the director had to submit the process to Council for its approval; that the ordinance provided that the Director of Public Works establishes a process that Council approves, that when he referred to the Pennington amendment, as a lawyer, that was how he referred to the change to the original ordinance, that at the time the ordinance was adopted Council Member Pennington offered an amendment which required that the director secure the approval of Council for the appeal process, that was part of the ordinance as it existed and as it was passed in March, so any time in the process if the director or the Mayor were to attempt to change the process Council's approval would be required, and what they were acting on was the approval of the process, that did not require an ordinance change, it just required the approval of Council for the process, that what Council Member Pennington was referring to earlier would be if the Council wanted to change the ordinance in terms of, say for example, how hearing examiners were appointed then that would require an ordinance change, that was not the process. Council Members Rodriguez and Noriega absent.

Mayor Parker stated that the public would hear about this because it would be posted on the Rebuild Houston website as part of "This are your rights under the ordinance." Council Members Rodriguez and Noriega absent.

After further questions by Council Members, Mr. Feldman stated that as to the appeals process versus just a hearing, there were actually three steps, if a property owner disputed the

calculation of their impervious surface upon which the drainage fee was based, first they would seek verification, if they disagreed with the verification made by PWE the matter would go to a hearing examiner where evidence was actually presented by the property owner and the record was made, that the hearing examiner makes a decision and that in and of itself was an appeal, the hearing examiner makes a decision on that appeal, that if the property owner was dissatisfied with the decision of the hearing examiner then the record, at the property owners request, was submitted to a three person panel of different hearing examiners to review the decision of the hearing examiner below who heard the matter and if they agreed then it was affirmed or they had the authority to disagree and change the decision; that after the issue was raised a couple of weeks ago he found 18 instances in their ordinances where directors actually appoint the individuals who review their decisions; that the director does not select a hearing examiner for a particular matter, the hearing examiners were hired from an agency, how they were selected was random, there was a pool of hearing examiners that had been trained, they were selected for an individual case or for an individual appeal on a random basis, that the director does not engage in a interview process where he had selected some and eliminated others, that qualifications were established and an agency furnished individuals with the qualifications necessary to hear the appeals. Council Members Costello, Lovell and Noriega absent.

Mayor Parker stated that “no” the Public Works Director did not hire or fire these hearing examiners, they did not work directly for the Public Works Director, that he oversees the contract under which they were hired. Council Members Costello, Lovell and Noriega absent.

After further discussion by Council Members, Mr. Feldman stated that he furnished a memo that he believed Mr. Thomas distributed to Council, that some quick examples were for example if they wanted to appeal their water or sewer bill that person who heard that was appointed by the Director of Public Works, that if they applied for a Taxi or Pedi Cab Permit, there were any number of permits where if they were denied the permit by the Director of ARA, and they wanted to appeal the denial of the permit, it was heard by a hearings officer that was appointed by the Director of ARA. Council Members Costello, Lovell and Noriega absent.

A vote was called on Item No. 40. Council Members Jones and Bradford voting no, balance voting yes. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. Council Members Costello, Lovell and Noriega absent. MOTION 2011-0580 ADOPTED.

### **MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Council Member Clutterbuck stated that received an email this week from Joanna Drennan, who lived in Braeburn Valley in Fondren Southwest, that she lost her dog last week, it was hit by a car and the body was removed by the City of Houston Animal Disposal Team, that she was distraught and called their office and Barbara Hite was compassionate and helpful with her, she was able to help track down the animal and have it returned to Ms. Drennan, the officer that found the dog returned personally the collar to her home, that she wanted to thank Barbara Hite, the officers at the Braeburn HPD Storefront, the hard working people at the Animal Disposal Facility, the people at BARC who helped in this matter as well; that they had been getting a lot of phone calls in her office about people’s exorbitantly high water bills, that they knew there had been a drought, but once the heat kicked in, April, May and June, people’s water bills had been consistent, that they saw at the end of June and beginning of July people’s water bills doubling and tripling and in some cases people who were monitoring their water calculation by reading their water meter daily and seeing that the numbers did not match what the bill happened to say, that she brought this to the Mayor’s attention and was not sure if she was getting a similar number of phone calls, but it begged the question of whether or not people were using the same amount of water, that each of these cases that they were receiving complaints from were single widows or widowers, that she hoped that the people who worked in

the Public Works Department would take a look at that as well and make sure that they were accurately billing for water consumed or that there might be a water main break nearby to examine; that she wanted to say Happy Birthday to Catherine Murphy of her office. Council Members Johnson, Sullivan, Costello, Lovell and Noriega absent.

Council Member Stardig stated that she wanted to congratulate Council Member Pennington and his wife for celebrating 43 years of marriage; that the Northwest Division of the Houston Police Department held a great meeting with a positive interaction program, the Citizens on Patrol Group, that it was at the Faith Center Sanctuary located on Long Point; that she wanted to thank Brian Hall, the Loss Prevention Director at HEB, who was part of the Greater Houston Loss Prevention Alliance for attending last night and presenting information about the different programs that WalMart, HEB and others had come together to work together to address the crime issues that they all faced; that on Monday she did a ride along with the Houston Police Department and the Hot Spot Unit out of the Northwest Division; that on Saturday, July 30, 2011, there would be a ground breaking ceremony for the I-610 and Highway 290 Interchange, that the event would mark the start of the construction of the new interchange and the first major construction contract for the US 290 Program. Council Members Johnson, Sullivan, Rodriguez, Costello, Lovell and Noriega absent.

Council Member Pennington stated that he wanted to thank Council Member Stardig for noting his anniversary, that he wanted to thank his wife for her love and dedication to their marriage for 43 years; that last Thursday he attended a national conference they had in Houston, "Building Cities, Building Futures", that the keynote speaker was former Governor Ed Rendell of Pennsylvania, who had also been a Mayor, that the conference dealt with the importance of building additional infrastructure, and thought that livable cities was an important thing that they ought to consider; that he met with Catherine Flowers, the new Director of the proposed Department of Neighborhoods, that they discussed the various services which made up her department and he was very encouraged by the organization and by her abilities and the people that she brought along and he looked forward to working with that group; that last night he attended the Briar Forest Super Neighborhood and had a second opportunity to interact with State Representative Jim Murphy and got a little summary of what happened in the Legislature, that the neighborhood was concerned about the Flood Control District study to locate additional linear detention ponds along Buffalo Bayou and they wanted to be sure they had input on that, that he knew the City had tried to facilitate that. Council Members Johnson, Sullivan, Rodriguez, Costello, Lovell, Noriega and Bradford absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Member Jones stated that he wanted to give a shout out to Greater Great Outreach Church, they had a health fair and she and Council Member Adams were present; the she went to a softball park off of North Main and Post Oak, for the Second Lone Star Veterans Association where they were supporting veterans who served in Iraq and Afghanistan, that she presented a proclamation from the Mayor; that she participated with Pancho Claus and celebrated Christmas in July; that tomorrow they would have a Housing and Community Development Committee meeting at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber; that on Saturday, July 22, 2011 there would be a TSU rally for education and talk about the importance of education; that she wanted to offer her condolences to Pastor Caldwell and family for the loss of their Dad; that Comcast was launching a groundbreaking new service in their service area beginning with this school year, it was called "Internet Essentials", that it was intended to be a high speed internet service for low income families that would bridge the digital divide and gets who qualified for free lunch, their homes were eligible and would receive high speed internet service for \$9.99 per month and there was no price for activation or equipment rental and the computers for these families would cost \$100, that they had access to online and in person training courses on how to use the internet; that she wanted to congratulate her sister, who just got accepted to medical school, that she lost her first child, Ujana, and then her sister became committed to stopping child death and wanted to figure out a cure for SIDS, Sudden Infant

Death Syndrome, that she was extremely proud of her, that she would be starting medical school at age 39. Council Members Johnson, Clutterbuck, Sullivan, Pennington, Rodriguez, Costello, Noriega and Bradford absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Member Lovell stated that there would be a meeting of the Development and Regulatory Affairs Committee on Thursday, July 21, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. in Council Chamber; that on Thursday there would be a City of Houston Planning Commission public hearing to proposed additions to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, which related to high density development, that the hearing would be held at 2:30 p.m. in the City Hall Annex at 900 Bagby; that she wanted to congratulate M.D. Anderson, who for the fifth year in a row was US News and World Report number one spot as the best Cancer Hospital in the National, that Methodist Hospital also made the list for most specialty's than any other Texas Hospital and ranked among the top 50 hospitals in the Nation in eleven areas of specialized care, that in addition 25 of the 99 hospitals in the metropolitan area made the list of best regional hospitals, that three local children's hospitals, Texas Children, Children's Cancer Hospital at MD Anderson and Children's Memorial Hermann were also ranked among the top regional hospitals for kids; that as to the wireless contract today, today her loyalties were to the City employees, the \$3.5 million that they could save would save some jobs, that she understood that \$3.5 million was about 56 jobs in the City of Houston. Council Members Stardig, Johnson, Clutterbuck, Sullivan, Pennington, Rodriguez, Costello, Noriega, Bradford and Jones absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Member Gonzalez stated that he wanted to offer prayers and condolences on the passing of Father Rick DeLio, that he passed away at the young age of 58 and had left them mourning, that he was dedicated to sharing his concern for others, to being available to people and being a part of their lives; that SNAP and BARC were partnering once more this Sunday, July 24, 2011, for another community spay and neuter day. Council Members Stardig, Johnson, Clutterbuck, Sullivan, Pennington, Rodriguez, Costello, Lovell, Noriega, Bradford and Jones absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Member Adams stated that she wanted to give condolences to Pastor Kirbyjon Caldwell and his family for the passing of Booker T. Caldwell, that many of them knew that he clothed many people in the City of Houston with dynamic suits; that last week she drove around the district along with Mr. Bob Bradford and Mr. Steve Tinnermon of the Housing Department, that they looked at areas where economic development could be improved, and also included in those visits they had the opportunity to drive around and look at the number of blue roofs that continued to be in the community, that she wanted to continue to work with the Housing Department to see exactly how they could move on that and spend the dollars they had to try to help those families because now it was three years later, that she would continue to work with Housing on the issue; that next week would be the 2011 Houston Kickoff Breakfast at the Federal Reserve Bank at 8:30 a.m.; that on August 13, 2011 would be the Sunnyside Health Fair and Back to School Event at the Sunnyside Park, 3502 Bellfort, that she wanted to thank her staff and the Parks Department for a job well done; that recently they had been talking about the Civility Ordinance and she just wanted to make sure they brought the Feeding Ordinance to the table so they could look at that and see how they could move forward because she thought both of them worked hand in hand; that she knew they had come within the sixty days to make sure they look at the Game Room Permits, that she brought an amendment forward to look at those particular fees and knew that Mr. Newport in ARA had been working with her office to look at those particular fees so she wanted to make sure that they did not forget this and to make sure they cover the cost that ARA was doing cause right now they were falling far short of what it cost them every day to produce these permits. Council Members Stardig, Johnson, Clutterbuck, Sullivan, Rodriguez, Lovell, Noriega, Bradford and Jones absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Member Costello stated the Saving the Green Project was a volunteer project in City parks in each one of the districts that they had throughout the City, they currently had completed two projects in Districts F and G, this announcement was for one that was being co-sponsored with Council Member Johnson in District B and was Tidwell Park cleanup and would occur July 30, 2011, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Tidwell Community Park, 9720 Spalding Street, that the project was to promote volunteerism in City parks by pitching in to beautify and maintain neighborhood parks. Council Members Stardig, Johnson, Clutterbuck, Sullivan, Rodriguez, Lovell, Noriega, Bradford and Jones absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

Council Member Adams stated that she shared in her interview yesterday was how Mayor Parker's vision was for neighborhoods and how she looked at quality of life and how she wanted to make sure that neighborhoods stayed strong and that people wanted to continue to move into their neighborhoods, that she thought that was the vision that Mayor Parker had for the department, to make sure there was a best service for the community when it came to response, whether it was 3-1-1, Citizens Assistance, Mayor's Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs, that she saw the vision and they needed to make sure that Council was comfortable, that she wanted to sit down and talk to make sure that the Mayor's vision was explained in a way that they all understood so they would know how to best explain it to the community, that she would recommend that they be able to go back to the Neighborhood Protection and Quality of Life Committee to get that; that she wanted to commend the Cambridge Village Community, they really utilized Cambridge Village Park and a lot of the seniors walk in the park every day and there had been several attempts of rapes in Cambridge Village due to lighting and brush and some of the seniors were becoming afraid to park in the park, that she would publicly ask Mr. Turner to clear the brush along the walking trail in Cambridge Village, that she knew that the lighting was a Capitol Improvement Project and hopefully they would be able to put it on so they could get lighting in the community, that it was a public safety issue for her. Council Members Stardig, Johnson, Clutterbuck, Sullivan, Rodriguez, Lovell, Noriega, Bradford and Jones absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

There being no further business before Council, the City Council adjourned at 10:52 a.m. Council Member Hoang absent on personal business. Council Members Stardig, Johnson, Clutterbuck, Sullivan, Rodriguez, Lovell, Noriega, Bradford and Jones absent. (NO QUORUM PRESENT)

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MINUTES READ AND APPROVED

/S/Anna Russell

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Anna Russell, City Secretary