

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, June 18, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 18, 2013, Mayor Annise Parker presiding and with Council Members Helena Brown, Jerry Davis, Ellen R. Cohen, Wanda Adams, Dave Martin, Al Hoang, Oliver Pennington, Edward Gonzalez, James G. Rodriguez, Mike Laster, Larry V. Green, Stephen C. Costello, Andrew C. Burks, Jr., C. O. "Brad" Bradford and Jack Christie, D. C.; Mr. Harlan Heilman, Division Chief, Claims & Subrogation Division; Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director, and Ms. Stella Ortega, Agenda office, present. Council Member Melissa Noriega absent on personal business.

At 1:46 p.m. Mayor Parker called the meeting to order and stated they would begin the presentation portion of the City Council meeting, they had three presentations today and recognized Council Member Cohen for the first presentation. Council Member Davis, Martin, Pennington, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Costello absent.

Council Member Cohen stated that she was joined by Ms. Phoebe Tudor, who was being honored today, and stated that Ms. Tudor was a passionate leader who helped Houstonians and visitors to their City realize the importance and value in preserving Houston's historic architecture, buildings and sites, that she lead many initiatives to save historic building resources in Houston, that her leadership for the restoration and expansion of the Julia Ideson Library Building resulted in a new, state of the art, archival wing for the Houston Metropolitan Research Center, an extensive restoration of the historic public rooms to be used and enjoyed by all, that Ms. Tudor was chosen by Mayor Annise Parker as the 2013 recipient of the Mayor's Citizen Award for Historic Preservation for her invaluable service to the City, and Mayor Parker stated that the proclamation could have been a whole lot longer thanking her for her service, and therefore, she, Annise Parker, Mayor of the City of Houston, hereby proclaimed today as Phoebe Tudor Day in Houston, Texas. Council Member Davis, Martin, Pennington, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Costello absent.

Ms. Tudor thanked everyone and stated that she appreciated the honor, and was touched that Mayor Parker had nominated her for preservationist of the year, that historic preservation was something she had been interested in her whole life, that she wanted to acknowledge all of the folks who showed up today and who had been involved themselves one way or another for many years. Council Member Davis, Martin, Pennington, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Costello absent.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez recognized Council Member Brown for the next presentation. Council Members Davis, Martin, Pennington, Rodriguez, Laster and Costello absent.

Council Member Brown invited the Ladies Into Purchasing Stock present in the audience to join her at the podium and stated that in 1992 Ladies Into Purchasing Stock, LIPS, was founded by a group of women aspiring for more involvement in the life of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo beyond what was offered at the time, that every year LIPS hosted charity events in support of the youth of Texas, that in the past 20 years LIPS made considerable donations and had raised over \$2 million in support of it's mission to raise money for Texas youth who were involved in agricultural and artistic endeavors, and Mayor Parker stated they were always glad to support the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and were happy to make this proclamation, therefore, she, Annise Parker, Mayor of the City of Houston, hereby proclaimed today as Ladies Into Purchasing Stock Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Davis, Martin, Pennington, Rodriguez, Laster and Costello absent.

Ms. Susan Terry stated that 20 years ago five women got together and decided they wanted to make ladies presence bigger and better at the rodeo, and 20 years later they were over 100 members strong, 98% of them were all committee volunteers at the rodeo as well as active in

their individual communities, that they wanted to thank Mayor Parker and the City Council for honoring them today. Council Members Davis, Martin, Pennington, Rodriguez, Laster and Costello absent.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez and Council Member Burks thanked the Ladies Into Purchasing Stock for all they did. Council Members Davis, Pennington, Rodriguez, Laster and Costello absent.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez recognized Council Member Hoang for the next presentation. Council Members Davis, Pennington, Rodriguez, Laster and Costello absent.

Council Member Hoang stated that 20 years ago if they traveled west and went to Alief they saw almost all sticks and population about 40,000 maximum, and invited the Alief Community Association Members present in the audience to join him at the podium and stated that the Board was very diversified, that in June 1993 the non-profit Alief Community Association was formed to unite the businesses, volunteers and community to promote the wealth of Alief, and Mayor Parker stated that therefore, she, Annise Parker, Mayor of the City of Houston hereby proclaimed today as Alief Community Association Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Davis, Pennington, Rodriguez and Costello absent.

Mayor Parker further stated that community associations were very the backbone of their community, they did so much work and many Council Members had been involved in their neighborhood associations or community associations. Council Members Davis, Pennington, Rodriguez and Costello absent.

Ms. Marie Lee, stated that she wanted to thank Mayor Parker and the City Council for the proclamation, and she wanted to thank the group, if they did not have these people working in their community association they probably could not get much done. Council Members Davis, Pennington, Rodriguez and Costello absent.

Council Members Burks and Laster thanked the Alief Community for all they did. Council Members Davis, Pennington, Rodriguez and Costello absent.

At 2:05 Mayor Parker recognized Council Member Cohen for the invocation and pledge of allegiance. Council Members Davis, Pennington, Rodriguez and Costello absent.

At 2:07 Mayor Parker requested the City Secretary to call the roll. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Costello absent.

Council Members Gonzalez and Bradford moved that the minutes of the preceding meeting be adopted. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Costello absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Parker recognized Council Member Bradford for a point of personal privilege. Council Members Adams and Costello absent.

Council Member Bradford asked the Public Works Summer Camp students to stand and be recognized and stated they were honored to have present today students from the Public Works Seventh Annual Summer Engineering Camp, that they commended them and thanked them for being present today. Council Members Adams and Costello absent.

Mayor Parker stated that it was great to see them today, that in the past she had an opportunity to visit with their summer groups, but she had not had a chance to talk to them and was glad they were present today, and thanked them for what they were doing, and hoped they

would consider careers in the public sector as they got older. Council Members Adams and Costello absent.

Council Member Green moved to suspend the rules to move Mr. Barry Ward, Ms. Linda Scurlock, Ms. Edna Deauvearo and Ms. Yolanda Benoit to the top of the three minute agenda speakers list, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Members Adams and Costello absent. MOTION 2013-0390 ADOPTED.

Council Member Davis moved to suspend the rules to move Ms. Sandra Flowers to the top of the three minutes non-agenda speakers list, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Members Adams and Costello absent. MOTION 2013-0391 ADOPTED.

Council Member Cohen moved to suspend the rules to add Ms. Sue Lovell to the two minute agenda speakers list after Ms. Minnie Taylor, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Costello absent. MOTION 2013-0392 ADOPTED.

The City Secretary began calling the public speakers. Council Members Davis, Cohen and Laster absent.

Ms. Laurice Brown, 8423 Sterlingshire, Houston, Texas 77078 (713-633-4448) appeared and stated was a resident of District B and as a senior she was in support of the budget amendment to increase the over 65 disabled homestead exemption and was asking her Council Member Davis to represent their district in supporting the amendment by voting yes, and also supported the after school programs. Council Members Cohen, Adams and Costello absent.

Council Member Davis thanked Ms. Brown for representing the Glenshire area, and stated that District B had a lot of constituents over 65 and they would have his support tomorrow. Council Members Cohen, Adams and Costello absent.

Mayor Parker stated that it was probably a good time to remind everyone present about the rules of Council and that was that no public demonstration in the Council Chamber. Council Members Cohen, Adams and Costello absent.

Mr. Cornell Hickman, 7823 Chinon Circle, Houston, Texas 77071 (713-729-4048) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Cohen, Adams and Costello absent.

Ms. Zenae Campbell, (did not wish to give address) (832-321-4011) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Cohen, Adams and Costello absent.

Ms. Minnie J. Taylor, 8603 Ariel, Houston, Texas 77074 (832-978-6864) appeared and stated that she was in support of Budget Amendment 2.01 relative to the over 65 exemption by Council Member Burks. Council Member Costello absent.

Ms. Sue Lovell, appeared and stated that she was asking that they support the exemption for seniors. Council Member Hoang absent.

Mr. Barry Ward, 10401 Stella Link, Houston, Texas 77025 (713-840-8733) appeared and stated that he was in support of the budget amendment that would restore the up to 1% set aside on street projects that would put in trees in the esplanades. Council Members Hoang and

Costello absent.

Upon discussion and questions by Council Members Green and Pennington, Mr. Ward stated that the problem was getting permission to plant trees and Council Member Pennington stated that maybe they ought to consider addressing that issue as well, and Mayor Parker stated that it was not for discussion today, but "Yes". Council Members Hoang and Costello absent.

Ms. Linda Scurlock, 4747 Knotty Oaks Trail, Houston, Texas 77045 (713-433-5737) appeared and stated she was in support Council Member Green amendment to allocate \$3 million to establish the City of Houston Youth Summer Program. Council Members Hoang and Costello absent.

Council Members Green stated that hopefully he would get the support of his colleagues to make this happen, and Council Member Burks stated that he was for the amendment. Council Members Hoang and Costello absent.

Ms. Zena Campbell, (did not wish to give address) (832-321-4011) appeared and stated that she was in support of the After School Programs. Council Members Hoang and Costello absent.

Mayor Parker stated that it was worth noting that they already spend \$7.4 million a year on After School Programs, so it was not a new idea. Council Member Hoang absent.

Ms. Edna Deauvearo, 3731 Tiffany Dr., Houston, Texas 77045 (713-433-4849) appeared and stated she was in support of the budget amendment to incorporate the Street Lighting Program within the moderate to low income areas. Council Member Adams absent.

Council Member Green thanked Ms. Deauvearo for being present and expressing her concerns and to let everyone know that it was an issue. Council Member Adams absent.

Ms. Yolanda Benoit, 8888 W. Bellfort, Houston, Texas 77031 (713-929-1905) appeared and stated she was present in support of an amendment allocating money toward summer youth programs. Council Member Adams absent.

Council Members Laster and Green thanked Ms. Benoit for being present and for the work she did for the community. Council Member Adams absent.

Council Member Green moved to suspend the rules to add Reverend Terry Mackie to the three minute speakers list after Mr. Ben Rose, seconded by Council Member Laster. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Members Adams and Pennington absent. MOTION 2013-0393 ADOPTED.

Mr. Ben Rose, 1050 N. Post Oak Rd., No. 210, Houston, Texas 77055 (281-733-8555) appeared and stated that he was in support of the amendment for the Positive Coaching Alliance. Council Members Brown, Adams, Martin, Pennington and Laster.

Council Member Davis thanked Mr. Rose for being present and stated that he supported Positive Coaching Alliance. Council Members Brown, Adams, Martin, Pennington and Laster.

Council Member Rodriguez moved to suspend the rules to add Ms. Lynn Rodriguez to the three minute speakers list after Mr. Patrick Castillo, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Members Brown, Adams, Martin, Pennington and Laster. MOTION 2013-0394 ADOPTED.

Reverend Terry Mackie, appeared and stated that he was in support of the Summer Jobs Program. Council Member Davis thanked Mr. Rose for being present and stated that he supported Positive Coaching Alliance. Council Members Davis, Adams, Martin, Hoang, Pennington and Laster absent.

Council Members Green, Bradford and Burks thanked Reverend Mackie for being present and thanked him for all he does for the community. Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Martin, Hoang, Pennington, Gonzalez, Rodriguez and Laster absent. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mr. Michael Sam, 7600 Kirby, Houston, Texas 77030 (832-334-1458) appeared and stated that he was present in support of Positive Coaching Alliance Houston and also a current student at Rice University. Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Pennington, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Laster and Green absent. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mayor Parker stated that there were a number of organizations that taught on a similar philosophy, many of whom were involved already with the City of Houston Youth Sports Programs. Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Adams, Pennington, Gonzalez, Rodriguez and Laster absent. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Council Member Christi stated this was a perfect example why for few thousand dollars there would be a lot more Michael Sam's in the world, so help him tomorrow with that amendment. Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Adams, Pennington, Gonzalez, Rodriguez and Laster absent. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Ms. Ericka Swanson, 11706 Mill Valley, Houston, Texas 77048 (832-340-5128) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Adams, Pennington, Gonzalez, Rodriguez and Laster absent. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Ms. Lorraine Decker, 10655 Memorial, Houston, Texas 77024 (713-296-8643) appeared and stated that she was in support of after school programming and a summer youth program. Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Pennington, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Laster and Burks absent. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Ms. Linda Willis, 3033 Bear Creek Dr., Houston, Texas 77083 (281-855-5600) appeared and stated that she was in support of after school programs. Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Hoang and Gonzalez absent.

Council Member Burks stated that he was for the after school program. Mayor Parker, Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez and Council Members Brown, Adams and Hoang absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Ms. Kat White, 405 Hawthorne St., Houston, Texas 77007 (650-575-3994) appeared and stated she was in support of after school programs. Mayor Parker, Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez and Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams and Hoang absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Ms. Jennifer Hughes, 19826 Landon Brook, Katy, Texas 77450 (713-702-6554) appeared and stated she was in support of after school programs. Mayor Parker, Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez and Council Members Brown, Adams and Hoang absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Council Members Green, Bradford and Pennington thanked Ms. Hughes for being present

in support of after school programs. Mayor Parker, Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez and Council Members Brown, Adams, Martin and Hoang absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Dr. Valerie Jackson, 2711 Shallow Fall Court, Pearland, Texas 77584 (281-236-3989) appeared and stated that she was in support of after school programs. Mayor Parker, Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez and Council Members Brown, Hoang and Costello absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Council Members Davis, Adams and Rodriguez thanked Dr. Jackson for being present in support of after school programs. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Hoang and Costello absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Ms. Lisa Thompson Caruthers, 6300 Irvington Blvd., Houston, Texas 77022 (713-696-1336) appeared and stated she was in support of after school programs. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Hoang, Pennington and Costello absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Council Member Bradford thanked Ms. Caruthers for being present in support of after school programs. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Adams, Hoang, Pennington, Costello and Christi absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Ashley Lu, 430 Sikes, Houston, Texas 77018 (713-560-2399) appeared and stated that was present in support of the summer jobs program and also for increased after school funding. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Hoang, Pennington, Costello and Christi absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mr. Derrick Jibril Craft, 12503 Tracelyn, Houston, Texas 77066 (832-540-8160) appeared and stated that he was present in support of after school programs. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Martin, Hoang and Pennington absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Barbara Horton, 5870 Thrush Dr., Houston, Texas 77033 (832-370-4455) appeared and stated she was present in support of the senior homestead exemption. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Adams, Martin and Hoang absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Patrick Castillo, 302 Cottage, Houston, Texas 77009 (832-265-4064) appeared and stated he was support of the budget amendment for immigration service providers. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Martin, Hoang and Costello absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez and Council Members Rodriguez and Laster thanked Mr. Castillo for being present in support of the amendment for immigration service providers. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Martin, Hoang and Costello absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Lynn Rodriguez appeared and stated that she was in support of budget Amendments 14.02 and 14.03, which related to animal over population in Houston. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Martin, Hoang and Gonzalez absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Council Member Rodriguez thanked Ms. Rodriguez for being present and thanked her for all she did. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Martin, Hoang and Gonzalez absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Mr. Riley Blocker, Post Office Box 91435, Houston, Texas 77291-9135 (713-876-3347) appeared and stated that he was in support of Youth Summer Job Programs. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang and Gonzalez absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Mr. Pete Garza, 7777 Katy Frwy, Houston, Texas 77024 (361-726-3202) appeared and stated that he was present in support of after school programs and some areas were not being served because of lack of funding. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang and Gonzalez absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Mr. Douglas Caddy, 239 Emerson St., No. 1, Houston, Texas 77006 (713-867-3476) appeared and stated that he was present on behalf of the ducks and geese at Hermann Park who were fast disappearing, that he had been going to Hermann Park in the morning around 6:00 a.m. with birdseed and fed the ducks and geese, that on Memorial Day weekend they starting disappearing, that he had talked to a homeless person who was present in the park and observed what happened, a gang of three had been coming into the park in the early morning hours and stealing the ducks, that he had emailed the Executive Director of the Hermann Park Conservancy and policeman on horseback and told them about this and they indicated they would get this under observation but they were still disappearing, that he was present to ask that attention be given to this problem. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang and Gonzalez absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Council Member Burks stated that many Council Members had requested cameras to go for illegal dumping of that nature and what they needed were cameras once again. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Martin, Hoang and Gonzalez absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Ms. Sandra Flowers, 4712 Coke St., Houston, Texas 77020 (281-763-3133) appeared and stated that she lived in the Fifth Ward and brought some pictures and concerns, and asked that they get the folder and her concerns to Council Member Davis; that she was pleased that the Council Members were present to advocate for after school programs, that after school providers were needed and vital, that she hoped then Council would take this into consideration, and asked that in their programs they have a reading initiative, not just literacy, but actual reading skills because that was the biggest gap they had in education today. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang and Gonzalez absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Council Member Green stated that Council Member Davis had asked that he respond to Ms. Flowers, that they appreciated her being present and would make sure a response would get back to her. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang, Gonzalez, Laster and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Council Members Rodriguez and Burks thanked Ms. Flowers for being present. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang, Gonzalez, Laster and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mr. Gianni Bonanno, Homeless, (832-305-4473) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang, Gonzalez, Laster and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Ms. Anna Martin, 3114 Airport Blvd., Houston, Texas 77051 (713-733-1904) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Parker and Council

Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Ms. Yolanda Broussard, 11835 Murr Way, Houston, Texas 77048 (281-780-4746) appeared and stated that she was a lifelong resident of Precinct 7, that she was present today representing all of those in her community who did not have the resources or for whatever reason could not be present to voice their opinions, that there were some serious civil issues and concerns within the community that they needed to be aware of, that she hoped to launch a non-profit organization called PEP, People Empowerment Program, that would deal with the civil issues within the community and bring resources and different things like that, that she was present last time and reported some concerns in the community that dealt with the Houston Police Department, that they were still having the same problems. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Pastor Robert Valyan, 4631 Maggie, Houston, Texas 77051 (713-738-5784) appeared and stated that he was pastor of Living Rock Community Church located in Sunnyside, he was present concerning a property that was located next to his church and really needed to be condemned, that it had been sitting there for many years and the front had been boarded up, but the back was not boarded up and people went behind to the inside of the home where they do drugs and prostitution, that it was ongoing, that when he sees people going behind the house he asks them why and they give him excuses and he tells them they were next door to the House of God, why would they want to go into that house when it needed to be torn down, that they normally leave, that it was a problem not only to the church but to the people in the community, that he found out when they went out to witness there was a drive by, that when he was in Louisiana there was a young man killed. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Council Member Adams stated that they were two members of the City of Houston staff present in the Chamber who could assist him, Mr. Landon Taylor, Department of Neighborhoods and Ms. Shavonda Johnson, a member of her staff, so if he could talk to them and share more of the issue he was dealing with. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford stated that he had a note that stated that the property was on a list to be referred to a demolition assessment panel. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mr. Mark Gonzales, 15225 N. Durham, Houston, Texas 77008 (281-787-9838) appeared and voiced his experiences with the CIA, the Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation until his time expired. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Ms. Jean Wiley, 6311 Gulf Freeway No. 1211, Houston, Texas 77023 (713-409-1346) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Ms. Rose Mourning, 6818 Kassarine Pass, Houston, Texas 77033 (713-254-5574) had

reserved time to speak, but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mr. Stephen Williams, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mr. Robert Segovia, 570 Kemwood Ln., Houston, Texas 77013 (713-445-7043) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mr. David Smolensky, 8110 Wateka Dr., Houston, Texas 77074 (832-282-9262) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mr. Lonnie Allsbrooks, 200 Northpines Dr., Unit 829, Kingwood, Texas 77339 (832-921-4052) appeared and reviewed the history and voiced his opinion about the only dry area they had in the City of Houston, the historic Heights until his time expired. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mr. Randall Ellis, 401 Teetshorn St., Houston, Texas (832-797-6416) appeared and stated that he was a resident of Woodland Heights and was present to talk about the destruction of a City park and the Harris County Floodway, that as they were aware three fourths of an acre was stripped of trees and land was pushed down into the bayou to improve the area for the townhomes being built there, and continued to voice his personal opinions until his time expired. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez thanked Mr. Ellis for being present and giving voice to the issue, that both Director Turner and City Attorney Feldman were working diligently to find a resolution going forward. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Ms. Emily Nghiem, 1620 Robin St., Houston, Texas 77019 (713-820-5130) appeared and stated she was with the Harris County Historic Commission and also a member of the Community of Freedman's Town and read from a handout she presented to Council Members regarding the Juneteenth celebrations and Freedman's Town until her time expired. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mr. James Patsch-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 and Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

President Joseph Charles, P. O. Box 524373, Houston, Texas 77052-73 (713-928-2800) appeared and stated that he was the official U. S. President; and continued expressing his personal opinions until his time expired. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis,

Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

Mr. Rodney Underwood, 2221 Woodworth, Houston, Texas 77004 (832-868-7219) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

At 4:16 p. m. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez stated that City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 19, 2013. Mayor Parker and Council Members Brown, Davis, Martin, Hoang, Rodriguez, Laster, Green and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding. NO QUORUM PRESENT

The Houston City Council reconvened at 9:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 19, 2013, with Mayor Annise D. Parker presiding and Council Members Helena Brown, Jerry Davis, Ellen R. Cohen, Wanda Adams, Dave Martin, Al Hoang, Oliver Pennington, Edward Gonzalez James G. Rodriguez, Mike Laster, Larry V. Green, Stephen C. Costello, Andrew C. Burks, Jr., C. O. "Brad" Bradford and Jack Christie, D.C.; Mr. David Feldman, City Attorney; and Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director, Ms. Stella Ortega, Agenda Office, present. Council Member Melissa Noriega absent on personal business.

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

At 9:24 a.m. Mayor Parker called the meeting of the Houston City Council to order and stated that Council Member Noriega would not be present today, she was out on a personal issue, and requested the City Secretary to call the consent agenda.

MAYOR'S REPORT

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 51

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBERS 2 through 7

2. **RICHARDS CARLBERG, INC** for 311 Mobile Application Marketing and Promotional Services for the Administration & Regulatory Affairs Department - \$250,000.00 - General and Houston Emergency Center Funds – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0395 ADOPTED.
4. **TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIALS, INC** for Biosense Connection Interface Services for the Department of Health & Human Services - \$245,500.00 - Grant Fund - had been pulled from the consent agenda and would not be considered - had been pulled from the Agenda by the Administration, and was not considered.
5. **GOWAN, INC** to Remove Existing Actuators and Furnish and Install New Actuators for the Department of Public Works & Engineering - \$149,715.98 - Enterprise Fund – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0396 ADOPTED.
6. ORDINANCE appropriating \$11,057,039.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund for the purchase of Upgraded Hardware and Installation Services to Waste Water SCADA System and Interconnect Expansion of the WiMax/Microwave Radio System for Public Works & Engineering – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none.

Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0581 ADOPTED.

- 6a. **UNICOM GOVERNMENT, INC** for Purchase of Hardware and Installation Services from U. S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance contract for the Department of Public Works & Engineering – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0397 ADOPTED.
7. **BUCKEYE CLEANING CENTER-HOUSTON** for Janitorial Supplies for Various Departments 3 Years with two one-year options - \$857,090.00 - General Fund – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0398 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 8 through 51

8. ORDINANCE amending Exhibit “A” of City of Houston Ordinance No. 90-1292 (as amended by City of Houston Ordinance No. 2013-432 and Exhibit “B” of Houston Ordinance No. 2010-512), to amend the Master Classification Ordinance and pay structure to add six new job classifications; change six job classifications; and delete nine job classifications; providing a repealer; providing for severability – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0582 ADOPTED.
10. ORDINANCE accepting the proposal from **TEXAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE INTERGOVERNMENTAL RISK POOL**, approving and authorizing the purchase of Radio Equipment and Tower Insurance - \$164,291.00 - Property and Casualty Fund – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0583 ADOPTED.
12. ORDINANCE appropriating and transferring \$45,000.00 out of Miscellaneous Capital Projects/Acquisition Commercial Paper Series E Fund into the General Fund for expenditures related to the Decision Lens Software – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0584 ADOPTED.
13. ORDINANCE appropriating \$45,000.00 out of Miscellaneous Capital Projects/Acquisitions Commercial Paper Series E Fund to support the purchase and implementation of the DBC Debt Manager Software License (“License”); approving and authorizing a Program License and Support Agreement and Supplement One to said agreement for the above license between the City and **SS&C TECHNOLOGIES, INC**; providing a maximum contract amount – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0585 ADOPTED.
18. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing a contract between the City and **MGT OF AMERICA, INC**, for a comprehensive fee and cost of service study; providing a maximum contract amount Initial Allocation - 2 years - \$50,000.00 - General Fund – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0586 ADOPTED.
19. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing third amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **AIR PRODUCTS AND CHEMICALS, INC** (Approved by Ordinance No. 2007-730, as amended) for Operation and Maintenance of the Oxygen Plant at the 69th

Street Wastewater Treatment Facility for the Public Works & Engineering Department – had not been received, and the City Secretary announced it would be considered at the end of the Agenda if received during the meeting.

20. ORDINANCE appropriating \$33,850.00 out of Solid Waste Consolidated Construction Fund for Emergency Remediation and Cleanup of Hazardous Waste at 1502 Central for the General Services Department on behalf of the Solid Waste Management Department - **DISTRICT I - RODRIGUEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0587 ADOPTED.
21. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **CONCENTRA HEALTH SERVICES, dba CONCENTRA MEDICAL CENTERS** for Occupational Medical Testing Services for Various Departments – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0588 ADOPTED.
22. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 337.104 acres of land to **FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 30**, for inclusion in its district – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0589 ADOPTED.
23. ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,738,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF as an additional appropriation to Professional Engineering Services contract between the City of Houston and **KLOTZ ASSOCIATES, INC** for Professional Engineering Services Associated with the Design of Capital Improvements to Rampart Street drainage and paving, Shepherd Drive drainage and paving, and Airline Drive drainage and paving (Approved by Ordinance No. 2007-0596); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF - **DISTRICTS C - COHEN; G - PENNINGTON and J - LASTER** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0590 ADOPTED.
26. ORDINANCE appropriating \$750,000.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF and \$250,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **LANDTECH CONSULTANTS, INC** for Negotiated Work Orders for Pre-Engineering of Local Streets Improvements; providing funding for construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF and the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0591 ADOPTED.
27. ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,670,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Architectural/Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **HUITT-ZOLLARS, INC** for Building Improvements for Water Facilities at East Water Purification Plant (EWPP), Northeast Water Purification Plant (NEWPP), Southeast Water Purification Plant (SEWPP), and Ardmore; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS D - ADAMS and E - MARTIN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0592 ADOPTED.
29. ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,706,985.40 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF awarding contract to **METRO CITY CONSTRUCTION, L.P.** for White Oak Bayou Cottage Grove Subdivision Low Impact Development Demonstration Project;

setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF - \$238,014.60 Grant Fund - **DISTRICT C - COHEN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0593 ADOPTED.

31. ORDINANCE appropriating \$8,459,916.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and \$2,486,884.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidate Construction Fund, awarding contract to **SER CONSTRUCTION PARTNERS, LLC** for Construction of Airline Drive: North Main to North Loop (IH610); setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT H - GONZALEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0594 ADOPTED.
33. ORDINANCE appropriating \$2,518,950.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **INDUSTRIAL TX CORP.** for Wastewater Process Unit Cleaning and Evaluation; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0595 ADOPTED.
34. ORDINANCE appropriating \$8,651,035.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **SYNAGRO OF TEXAS-CDR, INC** for Wastewater Process Unit Cleaning and Evaluation; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0596 ADOPTED.
35. ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,341,993.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contact to **SPECIALIZED MAINTENANCE SERVICES, INC** for Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Television Inspection in Support of Rehabilitation; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund (4277-71) – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0597 ADOPTED.
36. ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,369,561.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contact to **ENVIROWASTE SERVICES GROUP, INC** for Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Television Inspection in Support of Rehabilitation; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and

other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund (4277-72) – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0598 ADOPTED.

38. ORDINANCE appropriating \$2,728,100.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **C. F. MCDONALD ELECTRIC, INC** for 69th Street Wastewater Treatment Plant - Main Lift Station Redundant Outdoor Electrical Switchgears Replacement; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT H - GONZALEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0599 ADOPTED.
40. ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,557,100.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **GRAVA LLC** for Wastewater System/Substitute Service Support - Burgoyne and Lombardy; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS C - COHEN; G - PENNINGTON and I - RODRIGUEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0600 ADOPTED.
41. ORDINANCE appropriating \$13,042,400.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **OSCAR RENDA CONTRACTING, INC** for proposed 66-inch Water Line along Almeda-Genoa Rd and Monroe Rd from Monroe Rd to Airport Blvd; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS D - ADAMS and I - RODRIGUEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0601 ADOPTED.
43. ORDINANCE No. 2013-566, passed first reading on June 12, 2013
ORDINANCE granting to **OIL MOP, LLC (d.b.a. OMI ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS), A Louisiana Limited Liability Company**, the right, privilege and franchise to collect, haul and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions - **SECOND READING** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0566 PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL.
44. ORDINANCE No. 2013-567, passed first reading on June 12, 2013
ORDINANCE granting to **SOS LIQUID WASTE HAULERS, LTD CO., A Texas Limited Liability Company**, the right, privilege and franchise to collect, haul and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related

terms and conditions **SECOND READING** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0567 PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL.

45. ORDINANCE No. 2013-568, passed first reading on June 12, 2013
ORDINANCE granting to **STANLEY VIVERETTE dba STANZ INTEGRATED CLEANING SOLUTIONS, A Texas Sole Proprietorship**, 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 - **SECOND READING** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0568 PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL.
46. ORDINANCE No. 2013-569, passed first reading on June 12, 2013
ORDINANCE granting to **PHOENIX POLLUTION CONTROL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC, 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 - **SECOND READING** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0569 PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL.
47. ORDINANCE No. 2013-570, passed first reading on June 12, 2013
ORDINANCE granting to **NORTHSTAR ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP INC, A Tennessee 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 **SECOND READING** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0570 PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL.
48. ORDINANCE No. 2013-571, passed first reading on June 12, 2013
ORDINANCE granting to **ROBERT E. JENKO, INC dba 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 **SECOND READING** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0571 PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL.
49. ORDINANCE No. 2013-572, passed first reading on June 12, 2013
ORDINANCE granting to **SOUTHWASTE DISPOSAL, LLC, A Texas Limited Liability Company**, the right, privilege and franchise to collect, haul and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions **SECOND READING** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0572 PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL.
50. ORDINANCE No. 2013-573, passed first reading on June 12, 2013
ORDINANCE granting to **FIRST CLASS RENTALS, LLC, A Texas Limited Liability Company**, the right, privilege and franchise to collect, haul and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms

and conditions **SECOND READING** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0573 PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL.

51. ORDINANCE No. 2013-574, passed first reading on June 12, 2013
ORDINANCE granting to **UNITED ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, A Texas Limited Liability Company**, the right, privilege and franchise to collect, haul and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions **SECOND READING** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0574 PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL.

MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA WERE CONSIDERED AS FOLLOWS:

MISCELLANEOUS

1. RECOMMENDATION from Director Finance Department to approve the Fiscal Year 2014-2018 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and establish a charge of \$75.00 plus postage for the adopted CIP documents and a charge of \$5.00 plus postage for a CD version

Council Member Hoang offered the following written motion to amend Item No. 1:

“I move to amend Form A for Capital Improvement Project No. D-000180 in the Proposed 2014-2018 CIP with the attached redline version.

The changes move \$100,000 to FY2014 in order to begin basic conceptual design work with the Alief Community. The changes also reaffirm the city’s commitment to begin construction in FY2019”

Council Member Green offered the following written motion to amend Item No. 1:

“I move to reinstate the 1% maximum funding allocation for planting trees from CIP street and bridge projects as an ordinance (not resolution). The funding source will be implemented as part of the Public Works & Engineering Dept. let construction costs. This amendment should begin with the FY14 CIP effective July 1, 2013.”

Council Member Laster offered the following written motion to amend Item No. 1:

“I move the following CIP Amendment for Item 1:

I move that \$750,000 to be taken from Fund No. 2310 Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Fund (Proposed Budget Page IX-57) to be allocated to Commit Item No. 532020 Transfers to Capital Projects (Proposed Budget, Page IX 68) for use in providing fund for the installation of neighborhood speed cushions and administration of the program; and that said transferred funds shall be allocated to 4042 Street and Traffic Control, and Storm Drainage (DDRSRF) for use in CIP Project No. N320660 Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (P. 67, Form A, proposed CIP).”

Council Member Laster offered the following written motion to amend Item No. 1:

“I move the following CIP Amendment for Item 1 (See attached Form A):

For CIP Project No. F-00784; Funding Source 4502 Parks Consolidated Fund; move the appropriations of "4" in FY2017 and "229" to FY2016 respectively."

Council Member Adams offered the following written motion to amend Item No. 1

"I move to amend the CIP to add number 9.01 Edgewood Park to the Parks Master Plan for design of a new park. Funding to be identified by the administration."

Council Member Adams offered the following written motion to amend Item No. 1

"I move to amend the CIP to add number 9.02 MacGregor Park to the Parks Master Plan for design of a new park. Funding to be identified by the administration."

Council Members Costello, Bradford and Adams stated they would tag Item No. 1 and all amendments.

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS

3. ORDINANCE appropriating \$541,100.90 out of Parks Consolidated Construction Fund for Construction Services for Sitework at Shady Lane Park Playground for the General Services Department on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Department - \$220,000.00 - Grant Fund – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0602 ADOPTED.
- 3a. **KRAFTSMAN LP dba KRAFTSMAN COMMERCIAL PLAYGROUNDS AND PARK EQUIPMENT** for Construction Services for Sitework at Shady Lane Park Playground through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with BuyBoard for the General Services Department on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Department - \$724,858.00 and contingencies for a total amount not to exceed \$761,100.90; \$541,100.90 - Parks Consolidated Construction Fund and \$220,000.00 - Grant Fund - **DISTRICT B - DAVIS** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0399 ADOPTED.

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9. ORDINANCE **AMENDING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF CHAPTERS 2 AND 15 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, HOUSTON, TEXAS**, relating to the transfer of certain duties and responsibilities from the department of Administration and Regulatory Affairs to the Department of Finance; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for severability – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0603 ADOPTED.
11. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing first amendment to agreement for the support, advancement and promotion of the arts between the City and **HOUSTON ARTS ALLIANCE, THE HOUSTON MUSEUM DISTRICT ASSOCIATION, MILLER THEATRE ADVISORY BOARD, INC, and THEATER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT, INC** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0604 ADOPTED.
14. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing first amendment to agreement for Benefits Consulting Services between the City and the **SEGAL COMPANY (WESTERN STATES), INC** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0605 ADOPTED.

15. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing first amendment to agreement for the collection of delinquent ad valorem taxes of the City of Houston between the City and **LINEBARGER GOGGAN BLAIR & SAMPSON, LLP** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0606 ADOPTED.
16. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and **THE HOUSTON PARKS BOARD LGC, INC** for the Bayou Greenways 2020 Project – was presented.

After discussion by Council Members Green, Adams and Burks, Council Members Gonzalez, Burks and Green stated they would tag Item No. 16.

17. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **COHEN GROUP, INC** for On-Call Marketing and Media Buy Consulting Services for the Houston Airport System; providing a maximum contract amount \$5,250,000.00 - 5 years with 2 one year options Enterprise Funds - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; E - MARTIN and I - RODRIGUEZ** - was presented, and tagged by Council Member Rodriguez.

Council Member Rodriguez stated he would release his tag for purpose of discussion.

Council Member Davis stated that whoever they contracted with he wanted to make sure they were doing what they were supposed to as it related to his district and not to the City of Houston, so he wanted to refer it back.

Mayor Parker stated the item would be tagged, but a referral would kill an item for 30 days and this was the first time she had heard that he had any concerns at all, and Council Member Davis stated he had spoken with Director Diaz and informed him he had some concerns, and Mayor Parker asked they delay the discussion until next week and she could have Mr. Diaz present and they could thrash it out, and Council Member Davis stated one week tag would be sufficient for now.

Council Member Rodriguez stated he would tag Item No. 17.

24. ORDINANCE appropriating \$287,000.00 out of Contribution for Capital Projects Fund, and \$294,200.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF as an additional appropriation to the Project Partnership Agreement between the City of Houston and the **UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS** for Construction of the Sims Bayou Recreation Plan Project approved by Ordinance Number 2012-0029; approving and authorizing first amendment to the Project Partnership Agreement - **DISTRICTS D - ADAMS; I - RODRIGUEZ and K - GREEN** – was presented.

Council Member Green stated he had some questions with regard to Item No. 24, it was his understanding that last year on this particular item the entire hike and bike trail would be funded and now they had been provided a map and only a portion of it would be funded, so he would tag the item so he could have discussions with the Parks Department.

Mayor Parker stated a tag was not going to have a material impact on it, she would only say if possible they would like to have this pass before the end of the month because it was the Army Corps of Engineers money and there was going to be a change in leadership at the end of the month and they would hate to have to start over again; the item had been tagged by Council Member Green. (Note: Council Member Green released his tag on Item No. 24 later in the meeting.)

25. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing first amendment and appropriating \$534,000.00 out of the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF as an additional appropriation for Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **IDS ENGINEERING GROUP (Formerly PATE ENGINEERS, INC)** for Southpark and Southcrest Drainage and Paving Improvements (Approved by Ordinance No. 2011-0508); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF - **DISTRICTS D - ADAMS and E - MARTIN** - was presented.

After discussion by Council Member Adams, Mayor Parker stated they were really beginning to see some of the results of the Dedicated Street and Drainage revenue.

A vote was called on Item No. 25. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0607 ADOPTED.

28. ORDINANCE appropriating \$4,174,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF and \$1,546,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **JFT CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Southpark and Southcrest Area Drainage and Paving Improvements; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF and the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT D - ADAMS** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0608 ADOPTED.

30. ORDINANCE appropriating \$13,028,034.00 out of Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF and \$1,866,766.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **ANGEL BROTHERS ENTERPRISES, LTD.** for Paving of West Little York Road from Wheatley to T.C. Jester and West of T.C. Jester; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF and the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS A - BROWN and B - DAVIS** - was presented, and tagged by Council Member Davis.

Council Member Davis stated he would release his tag for purpose of discussion on Item No. 30.

Council Member Burks stated as he went through the backup he constantly saw 7% MWBE, 10% SBE and knew they voted the other day to increase this and his question was why wasn't the increase showing on participation of minority businesses.

Mayor Parker stated it had already been bid out before they passed the item, and stated that Item No. 30 had been tagged by Council Member Davis.

32. ORDINANCE appropriating \$5,128,964.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF and \$228,036.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **TEXAS STERLING CONSTRUCTION CO.** for Bridge Widening for Parker Road over Hardy Toll Road; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract

and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering and testing, CIP Cost Recovery and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by Metro Projects Construction DDSRF and Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and H - GONZALEZ** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0609 ADOPTED.

37. ORDINANCE appropriating \$4,459,400.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **INDUSTRIAL TX CORP.** for Grenshaw Lift Station and Force Main; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT B - DAVIS** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0610 ADOPTED.

39. ORDINANCE appropriating \$6,650,500.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **CALCO CONTRACTING, LTD.** for Sewer Service to Unserved Areas of Golden Glade Estates Subdivision - Package 1; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT D - ADAMS** - was presented.

Council Member Adams stated that a certain part of the community was not connected and wanted to know what would be the timeline of the second half of the community to be connected to water and sewer, that she would appreciate those answers from Public Works on Golden Glade Estates.

Mayor Parker stated they would get that information for Council Member Adams.

A vote was called on Item No. 39. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0611 ADOPTED

42. ORDINANCE appropriating \$7,401,400.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **SER CONSTRUCTION PARTNERS, LLC.** for 42-Inch Water Line from West Airport to Braes Forest; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund **DISTRICT C - COHEN** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0612 ADOPTED.

MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 52 through 55B

52. ORDINANCE **AMENDING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, HOUSTON, TEXAS**, relating to dance halls, containing findings and other provisions related to the foregoing subject; declaring certain conduct to be unlawful and providing penalties therefor; containing a savings clause; providing for severability - (**This was Item**

16 on Agenda of June 12, 2013, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BROWN) - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0613 ADOPTED.

53. MOTION by Council Member Gonzalez/Seconded by Council Member Adams to adopt recommendation from Purchasing Agent to **AMEND MOTION #2011-345, 4/27/11, TO INCREASE** spending authority from \$375,937.76 to \$469,922.20 for Electrical Lighting for Various Departments, on award to **CONSOLIDATED ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS, ASTRO dba CED INDUSTRIAL** - General and Enterprise Funds – **(This was Item 60 on Agenda of June 12, 2013, POSTPONED BY MOTION #2013-389)** – was presented. Council Member Brown voting no, balance voting aye. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0400 ADLPTED.

FISCAL YEAR 2014 BUDGET MATTERS HELD

54. ORDINANCE providing for the continuation of appropriations for the support of the City Government pursuant to the requirements of Article VIa, Section 1 of the City Charter; creating the Forensic Transition Special Fund and authorizing an appropriation therefor; authorizing certain transfers; making other provisions related to the subject; containing a repealer and a severability clause – **(This was Item 56 on Agenda of June 12, 2013, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LASTER)** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0614 ADOPTED.
55. Consideration of proposed amendments to Item 55A below, submitted in writing on June 12, 2013 by Council Members Burks, Noriega, Bradford, Christie, Brown, Davis, Adams, Martin, Pennington, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Laster and Green, as set forth in the attached Exhibits (Amendments will be considered in the order of a matrix prepared by the Administration) – **(TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GONZALEZ)** – was presented.

Mayor Parker stated that Council Members should have received a clean copy of the matrix laying out all of the budget amendments, they were grouped roughly by category and then by Council Member reference number, and the first column was a line number, which was how they would refer to the item so they could find them as they went through the list, it was the system they had used with previous budgets, she would recognize the maker of the budget amendment to speak first, they did not have to move for consideration to speak on it, it was already an item before them, and they would call for a vote at the end of discussion, that nothing had changed since last week except the matrix grouped the items by category and then the administration response, that was merely to tell them the thought processes behind how she may vote and to provide some more information, the reason for providing this to them in writing, as she did every year, was though she served as Chair she reserved the right to speak to the amendments, but this lessened her desire to jump in on things, and they truly had a debate among Council Members, often times a request for withdrawal did not mean that it got killed or that the administration was opposed to it, there may be an opportunity to work on it in a different way, they tried to be consistent, they did not always make it there, but a request for withdrawal may mean they would like to take it to a committee because there were so many policy implications, they had tried to specifically say that in the matrix, that they would refer it to committee; since they had a long day ahead of them she was going to look for an opportunity to break approximately at noon so they could take a lunch break, depending on where they were on the agenda, and then if they were still in session, somewhere around 3:00 p.m., depending on where the debate was, she was not inclined to break off discussion of an item in the middle of it.

Mayor Parker further stated that she wanted to thank Council Member Costello for his hard

work Chairing the Fiscal Affairs Committee, with an assist from Council Member Bradford as Vice-Chair, that she appreciated Council Members attention to the budget presentations by departments and the attention that had been given to budget amendments and the thoughtful nature in which they had been put forward, that the budget she had presented was a balanced budget, it complied in all respects with their budgetary and financial policy where they looked at one time revenues only for one time expenditures, but it was also a budget that was mindful of the fact that they still had concerns about being able to cover rising expenses for the next few years, and they presented both a two and five year projection to Council Members so they could see in the out years where they thought they might be heading, for out years they believed they had budget conservatively and with the economy as it was they may have some pleasant surprises, but they did not budget based on a hoped revenue, they budgeted based on a revenue they believed was achievable, that she thought it was a good budget, but it was certainly now up to Council Members to put their own stamp on it, and recognized Council Member Costello.

Council Member Costello also thanked Vice Chair, Council Member Bradford, for helping during the budget workshops, his and Council Member Christi's staff for their help, he wanted to thank the directors, they did a great job, in particular Director Dowe and his staff, that he wanted to point out to his colleagues that they were faced with future deficits in the next few years, and as such would not be supporting any revenue reduction amendments because he did not see any projections for reduction in corresponding expenditures and thought that was poor fiscal planning, he thought the idea of tax relief for seniors was a good idea, but they were not in a position to do that today, they may be in the years down the road, they had benefited from a healthy economy recently, but that was not something they could bet on moving into the future so until then he thought it was their responsibility to make sure the City continued to provide valued services to the citizens of Houston and he hoped they did not support a revenue reduction without a corresponding expenditure reduction.

Upon questions by Council Member Green, Mayor Parker stated she had been through a number of budgets and there was no perfect way to do this, last year's budget, for example, there were no budget amendments that really had ripple affects through the rest of the amendments and the reason they grouped them was so that similar amendments were together, but they started with those that would have the biggest macro impact and tried to go down, because it would be difficult to keep track if they voted for something in one and then later on in the agenda they tried to vote on something that unraveled it; that the first two items, which actually were in effect the same item, would affect the other items, that there was no intent to surprise anybody on any of these items. Council Member Costello absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Burks, Mayor Parker stated that just as they did last year there were some things that were not strictly budgetary, they required the passage of an ordinance, or they had policy implications beyond the budget, there would be a request to refer to the appropriate committee, that did not kill the amendment, for example, Council Member Rodriguez had an item on an ordinance dealing with shopping carts, she was in great sympathy on that ordinance, no one liked to see stray shopping carts through the neighborhood, it was not a budget item, it was an ordinance, and he was requesting an ordinance, that she could not write an ordinance today at Council, so she would ask Council Member Rodriguez to send it to the appropriate committee with a date certain so they could bring it up, that was what that meant, and it was the same policy they followed the last budget and believed they hit all of their targets to return to Council, but if it was a budget item it would be dead as far as this year's concern on the budget, because at the end of the day they would adopt the final budget. Council Member Costello absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Bradford, Mayor Parker stated that some of the budget amendments, they believed, were not technically legal amendments and rather than

ruling them out of order she would ask that they be withdrawn, that on Item Numbers 1 and 2, if the first one was to pass the second one would become moot and she would ask the maker of that motion to just withdraw the motion, so it did not always mean the same thing; that all the matrixes were the same thing, the verbiage came out of what Council Members submitted, the only thing that changed was the administration's response, there was a one word change as far as she knew, that there was a clean copy of the Matrix presented at the Council table this morning. Council Member Costello absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Davis, Mayor Parker stated the amendments were offered in different forms and she would say when they actually called the items so if he would wait she would walk through the explanation. Council Member Costello absent.

Council Member Green moved to suspend the rules to consider Item No. 31, Amendment 1604, at the top of the 2013 Budget amendments, before Line 1, seconded by Council Member Bradford. Council Member Costello absent.

Mayor Parker stated she thought they had laid out a clear and consistent process where everybody would have an idea; there was nothing in Item Numbers 1 and 2 that made anything that followed through moot, that it meant they could spend but they had to cut something, it was possible, as they all knew, that revenues would come in more than expected, this year they had revenues come in more than expected and those revenues were used to reestablish library hours, the effect of both of those motions would be if unexpected revenues came in above what was predicted in the budget, that it be held for next year so that they had a cushion for projected deficit next year, it did not mean that they could not spend more money, it did not mean that the items would not pass, it meant that they had to cut something in order to pass something, they could not hope that the revenue would come in, it did not render any other items moot, if it did not pass it meant that Council was free to pass items that would spend that money if it came in contingent upon the revenue coming in, so it was a question whether they wanted to save money for next year, if unexpected revenue came in they would save it for next year, they could still pass items that would spend money in this year, but something would be cut, and for the most part Council Members had not specified what programs they wanted cut, which meant they would leave it up to her to decide what to cut and what not to cut; that she had indicated to Council Member Green in private conversations since his summer job program would not effectively come into play until next year that would be a potential source of funds since it did not need immediate funding, but if this item were to pass they would have to cut something in order to fund it, that was the difference.

Upon further discussion by Council Members, Mayor Parker stated the budget was balanced, and the budget must remain balanced, which was why Council Members with really big ticket items they wanted to spend money on might be interested in funding those with unexpected revenues, so those motions would be allowed because it did not technically take the budget out of balance, otherwise they had to cut something; that she wanted to relieve Council Members of the notion that there was unencumbered money in the budget, the only money in the budget that was not encumbered was the unallocated fund balance of the 7.5% revenue above expenses, there was money that was unspecified, they created a line item for the first time this year called "Maintenance Renewal and Replacement" so they would not allow their facilities to fall into disrepair the way they had in the past, of \$7 million she believed, and the other was in General Government, they had a few million dollars for "Management Performance Review", where before they hired new people they liked to do a workman analysis to find out if they were in fact needed, so those were the only areas where they had money that was not specified for a program or service. Council Members Davis and Rodriguez absent.

After further discussion Council Member Green moved to call the question on the motion to consider Line 31, Amendment 16.04 before Line 1, seconded by Council Member Burks.

Council Members Davis, Cohen, Martin, Gonzalez, Rodriguez, Green, Burks and Bradford voting aye, balance voting no. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0401 FAILED.

Council Member Laster asked if they were to pass Item Numbers 1 or 2 and then they addressed other items throughout the day what would happen with those other items, and Mayor Parker stated nothing except that they could not use unexpected revenue to pay for them.

A vote was called on Council Member Green's motion to consider Line 31, Amendment 16.04 before Line 1. Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Rodriguez, Laster, Green, Burks and Bradford voting aye, balance voting no. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0402 FAILED.

Mayor Parker stated that Line 3 also dealt with unallocated fund balance, a number of Council Members may have been counting on unallocated fund balance and she wanted to make sure that everybody was clear.

Council Member Brown moved to suspend the rules to consider Lines 1 and 2 at the end of the matrix, seconded by Council Member Bradford.

After discussion by Council Members, a vote was called on Council Member Brown's motion to consider Lines 1 and 2 at the end of the matrix. Council Members Brown, Davis, Adams, Green, Burks and Bradford voting aye, balance voting no. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0403 FAILED.

55. – Line 1 - Pennington - 12.01

All General Fund revenues and resources received in FY2014 in excess of \$2,207,376,250 shall be designated to the Fund Balance and shall not be appropriated for FY2014 expenditures - was presented.

Council Member Pennington stated that his request was that the balanced budget that the Mayor had produced, amended by any changes where other programs were substituted for all of those, be maintained, that he thought they all ought to agree that they ought to limit their spending so that they did not have to discharge a number of people and they could properly prepare for the future. Council Members Hoang and Burks absent.

After further discussion by Council Members, Mayor Parker stated that the effect of the two amendments was that they would take one potential source of spending away, unexpected revenues, last year they said, when they passed the budget, if revenues came in above a certain amount they would like to use up to \$2 million of that to do performance reviews, as they began to restore services, to create greater efficiency, it was quite possible to pass an item that had a large price tag and say they would only spend the money if it came in above revenue, otherwise if they passed an item that had a large price tag they had to find an offsetting decrease, that Council Members could say they wanted to take it from this or that category, reduce spending here and that could be part of the motion, or, Council Members could ask the Mayor to find it in X budget, but it just meant that the revenues and expenditures that were in the budget book, those numbers stay fixed, and if they spent more they had to cut someplace else.

After further discussion by Council Members, Mayor Parker stated she knew many Council Members had fairly expensive items they believed they would like to see in the budget, one way to pay for it was unexpected revenue, and she had identified the other two categories in the budget that were earmarked for certain things, but not existing programs, one was the

Maintenance, Renewal and Replacement line item of \$7.5 million, which was intended to help them maintain facilities prior to them needing capital rebuilds, and the other a few million dollars for Management Performance Reviews, it was earmarked for a performance review of OBO prior to hiring additional staff here, and a performance review of the Fire Department to determine best deployment of apparatus, such as the ambulances they had been talking about putting back into service, that it was entirely possible, however, to have a big ticket item and find other things, a program or service, that they would like to cut to offset it, this would have the effect of limiting the Council's flexibility to determine how to pay for increased spending.

After further discussion by Council Members, Council Member Green moved to take a 5 minute recess, seconded by Council Member Davis. Council Member Brown voting no, balance voting aye. Council Members Adams, Martin and Pennington absent. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0404 ADOPTED.

At 11:15 the City Council reconvened in the City Council Chamber to continue the meeting. Council Member Adams absent.

After discussion by Council Members, a roll call vote was called on Line 1, Amendment 12.01.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Parker voting aye	Council Member Rodriguez voting aye
Council Member Brown voting aye	Council Member Laster voting aye
Council Member Davis voting aye	Council Member Green voting aye
Council Member Cohen voting aye	Council Member Costello voting aye
Council Member Adams voting no	Council Member Burks voting no
Council Member Martin voting aye	Council Member Noriega absent on personal business
Council Member Hoang voting aye	Council Member Bradford voting no
Council Member Pennington voting aye	Council Member Christie voting aye
Council Member Gonzalez voting aye	MOTION 2013-0405 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 2 - Martin - 10.01

As adopted in the FY14 City of Houston Proposed Operating Budget, the City of Houston must commit to spending \$2,071,196,890 general fund dollars contained within the "General Fund Summary," section II page 3, line item "Total Expenditures and Other Uses." The City of Houston must not use any additional revenues for operations and must allocate all excess revenue to unassigned fund balance – was presented.

Council Member Martin stated he would withdraw Line 2, Amendment 10.01.

55. – Line 3 - Brown - 6.03

If the Administration's Monthly Financial and Operations Report's FY2014 projected fund balance exceeds 7.8%, up to \$2,000,000.00 of fund balance shall be used to fund one or more independent third-party analysis on the quality, efficiency, and cost-effectiveness of citywide operations and support processes. The third-party analysis shall include recommended improvements and suggested plan for implementing those improvements. These firms shall be barred from contracting work with the city as a result of their recommendations. If fund do not exceed 7.8% within 90 days, the administration will return to council with the recommendation of an appropriate funding source. This budget amendment passed City Council on June 20, 2012.

Funding Source: up to \$2,000,000.00 when projected fund balance exceeds 7.8% - was presented.

Council Member Brown moved to amend Line 3, Amendment 6.03 as follows;

~~If the Administration's Monthly Financial and Operations Report's FY2014 projected fund balance exceeds 7.8%, up to \$2,000,000.00 of fund balance shall be used to fund one or more~~ The City of Houston would have an independent third-party analysis on the quality, efficiency, and cost-effectiveness of citywide operations and support processes, seconded by Council Member Pennington.

After discussion by Council Member Brown, Mayor Parker stated that as indicated in the administration notes they were already doing a third party review of the procurement process and had others in the works and felt this item was unnecessary, but were very interested in the idea of examining their processes. Council Member Adams absent.

Council Member Cohen stated she was not sure what was being done and would tag the motion to amend Line 3.

After further discussion by Council Members, Council Member Brown moved to override the tag, seconded by Council Member Green.

A vote was called on Council Member Brown's motion to override the tag. Council Members Brown, Pennington, Green and Burks voting aye, balance voting no. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0406 FAILED.

55. – Line 4 - Bradford - 4.05

This Amendment provides additional property tax relief for qualified older homeowners and assists them in keeping their homes. Currently, Harris County offers a \$160,000.00 over-65 homestead exemption. However, the City of Houston offers a \$70,862.00 exemption. This Amendment would raise the City of Houston exemption to \$160,000.00 for those homeowners over 65 years of age, effective January 1, 2014.

Funding Option: Not Applicable - was presented. Council Member Adams absent.

Council Member Bradford stated that Line 4, Amendment 4.05, was an opportunity for those on Council to provide tax relief for older homeowners, that Director Dowe had indicated if they were to pass the amendment they would relieve a \$26.7 million burden off of senior citizens 65 years of age or older, that many of them were on fixed incomes, if they could help those citizens who were on fixed incomes he thought they had an obligation to do that. Council Member Adams absent.

Mayor Parker stated as indicated in the administration response this would mean an immediate, and at least, a \$26 million hole in the budget that they would have to patch before the end of the day, to be clear, they had this one and Council Member Bradford had another one that made a smaller increase in the exemption, and then the next three amendments were variations of that, that these two were clearly legal motions, the next three they had some legal concerns with them, but they were all designed to do the same thing which was to raise the senior exemption.

After discussion by Council Members, Council Member Bradford stated he would withdraw Line 4, Amendment 4.05.

55. – Line 5 - Bradford - 4.06

This Amendment provides additional property tax relief for qualified older homeowners and assists them in keeping their homes. Currently, Harris County offers a \$160,000.00 over-65 homestead exemption. However, the City of Houston offers a \$70,862.00 exemption. This Amendment would raise the City of Houston exemption to \$80,000.00 for those

homeowners over 65 years of age, effective January 1, 2014. Eligible homeowners' savings would range from \$0 to approximately \$58.00 annually.

Funding Option: Not Applicable – was presented.

Council Member Bradford stated he thought they had a duty to provide relief to those in need when they had the opportunity to do such, that Line 5, 4.06 provided a very modest course of relief for their senior citizens.

After discussion by Council Members, Council Member Adams moved to stay in session beyond the scheduled noon recess to continue the agenda, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0407 ADOPTED.

After further discussion by Council Members, a roll call vote was called on Line 5, Amendment 4.06.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Parker voting aye	Council Member Rodriguez voting aye
Council Member Brown voting aye	Council Member Laster voting aye
Council Member Davis voting aye	Council Member Green voting aye
Council Member Cohen voting no	Council Member Costello voting no
Council Member Adams voting aye	Council Member Burks voting aye
Council Member Martin voting aye	Council Member Noriega absent on personal business
Council Member Hoang voting aye	Council Member Bradford voting aye
Council Member Pennington voting aye	Council Member Christie voting aye
Council Member Gonzalez voting aye	MOTION 2013-0408 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 6 - Bradford - 4.04

This Amendment provides additional property tax relief for qualified older homeowners and assists them in keeping their homes. Currently, Harris County offers a \$160,000.00 over-65 homestead exemption. However, the City of Houston offers a \$70,862.00 exemption. This Amendment would “freeze” or place a ceiling at this year’s (2013) appraisals of homes appraised between \$70,862.00 and \$160,000.00 for those homeowners over 65 years of age, effective January 1, 2014. However, in the future if the appraised value reaches \$160,000.00, the exemption shall not apply to any value exceeding \$160,000.00. Eligible homeowners’ savings would range from \$0 to approximately \$569.00 annually.

Funding Option: Not Applicable – was presented.

Council Member Bradford stated he would withdraw Line 6, Amendment 4.04. Council Member Cohen absent.

55. – Line 7 - Burks - 2.01

Raise the Homestead exemption to \$125,000 in FY2015 for the over-65/ disabled persons. Increase this exemption by 5% each year until it is the equivalent of \$160,000.

Explanation: In two years, Chapter 42 will raise property values – was presented.

Council Member Burks stated he would withdraw Line 7, Amendment 2.01. Council Member Cohen absent.

55. – Line 8 - Brown - 6.01

Currently, the City of Houston gives a \$70,862.00 over-65/disabled exemption. Harris County offers a \$160,000.00 over-65/disabled exemption. Following the trend of increased property values, in light of potential accelerated property value increases due to new

chapter 42 high density growth city-wide, and in order to protect home-owners ability to keep their properties during this trend; this Amendment will increase the over-65/disabled exemption by \$14,138.00 to \$85,000.00 effective January 1, 2014, and will include an automatic \$15,000.00 a year increase in the exemption for the following five years (to match by 2019, the Harris County exemption of \$160,000.00).

Funding Source: Not Applicable (or General Revenue Fund 100 from unassigned projected ending fund balance of \$137,882,363.00) – was presented.

Council Member Brown stated she would withdraw Line 8, Amendment 6.01. Council Member Cohen absent.

Council Member Adams moved that the City Council recess until 1:30 p.m., seconded by Council Member Hoang. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Cohen absent. MOTION 2013-0409 ADOPTED.

At 1:48 p.m. the City Council reconvened and Mayor Parker recognized Council Member Cohen.

Council Member Cohen stated she would release her tag on Council Member Brown's motion to amend Line 3, Amendment 6.03.

Mayor Parker stated if there was no objection she would like to visit Line 3, Amendment 6.03, Council Member Cohen had asked to remove her tag, that she thought Council Member Brown would like to recast her initial substitute.

Council Member Brown stated she would withdraw Amendment 6.03 and refer the matter to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee, so that Council could look at where and how they wanted to spend what was currently appropriated at \$2 million for internal process reviews, seconded by Council Member Cohen.

Mayor Parker stated if Chairman Costello, Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee, was interested in having that discussion she thought it might be productive, as she had explained to Council Member Brown, they had done a number of performance reviews, internal and external, over the last year, they had several lined up, the biggest being procurement and believed that was the highest priority, but they thought it was a productive discussion for Council Members to see what their priorities were for the outside analysis, and to hear from Council Members if they had additional suggestions to add to the list, and Council Member Costello stated absolutely, and Mayor Parker stated to provide some input to the administration on what those priorities would be.

Mayor Parker further stated the tag had been removed, they had discussed it, and Council Member Brown had withdrawn her motion and made a request to have this considered in committee and they would have it considered in committee by consent of the Chairman, that she wanted to thank Council Member Cohen for following up on it.

55. – Line 9 - Davis - 7.01

The administration will allocate funding to purchase 25 surveillance camera systems for monitoring of chronic illegal dumping areas throughout council districts B, D, H, I, and K. These council districts have been identified by the Solid Waste Department as having the greatest issues with illegal dumping. Each council district will receive 5 camera systems for sole use within each said council district's boundaries for illegal dumping surveillance. The camera systems cost approximately \$10,000.00 per unit creating a total funding amount of \$250,000.00. An additional \$120,000.00 should be allocated for hiring extra FTEs to review and report on the recorded footage. The total funding for the camera

systems and FTEs is \$370,000.00. Funding Source: Asset Forfeiture Fund or General Revenue Fund – was presented.

Council Member Davis stated this amendment came from a seven month Illegal Dumping Task Force meetings that they had, they were asking that the administration allocate funding to purchase 25 surveillance camera system for monitoring of chronic illegal dumping areas throughout Council Districts B, D, H, I and K, these areas were brought to their attention by Solid Waste.

After discussion by Council Members, Council Member Bradford stated he certainly supported the camera technology in all of the districts, but did not think the FTEs were necessary and asked if he would accept a friendly amendment to remove the FTE portion.

Council Member Davis moved to amend Line 9, Amendment 7.01 as follows, seconded by Council Member Bradford.

~~An additional \$120,000.00 should be allocated for hiring extra FTEs to review and report on the recorded footage.~~ The total funding for the camera systems and FTEs is ~~\$370,000.00~~ \$250,000.00.

A vote was called on the motion to amend. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION TO AMEND CARRIED

Mayor Parker stated the item before them was Council Member Davis 7.01 as originally presented as amended with just the camera expense, that did assume that the Police Department actually had the available FTEs to monitor it, which she could not commit to at this time, but that reduced the potential expenditure to \$250,000.

After further discussion by Council Members, a roll call vote was called on Line 9, Amendment 7.01 as amended.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Parker voting no	Council Member Rodriguez voting aye
Council Member Brown voting no	Council Member Laster voting no
Council Member Davis voting aye	Council Member Green voting aye
Council Member Cohen voting aye	Council Member Costello voting aye
Council Member Adams voting aye	Council Member Burks voting aye
Council Member Martin voting no	Council Member Noriega absent on personal business
Council Member Hoang voting aye	Council Member Bradford voting aye
Council Member Pennington voting no	Council Member Christie voting aye
Council Member Gonzalez voting aye	MAIN MOTION 2013-0411 ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

55. – Line 10 - Laster - 15.04

I move that during FY 2014 that the Legal Department and Mayor's Office Of Economic Development:

1. Draft and present to City Council for approval an ordinance that would create the "Clean It or Green It Tax Credit" to be applicable to ad valorem taxes on commercial or residential properties located inside the city limits and the extra-territorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston for the purposes of providing a financial incentive for the demolition of abandoned, dangerous or dilapidated

- buildings to create tracts of land that are ready for future re-development or for use in flood control mitigation purposes (the Tax Credit);
2. Establish regulations, guidelines and procedures for the implementation of the Tax Credit;
 3. Establish a procedural time line or deadline of not later than January 1, 2016 by which the Tax Credit will be available for use on approved properties;
 4. Establish administrative regulations providing that the Tax Credit shall be operated and administered by the Mayor's Office of Economic Development, or other appropriate division or department of the City as may in later years be appropriate;
 5. Establish a budget(s) for the annual management of the Tax Credit; and,
 6. Allocating the amount of not less than \$15,000 to be taken from the Reserve Fund balance existing over 7.5% for the next fiscal year to be used in the initial implementation of the Tax Credit – was presented.

After discussion Council Member Laster stated he had distributed a written substitute for the language as follows.

“In connection with the reauthorization of the City's tax abatement guidelines that will expire in December 2013, examine the possibility of using tax abatements to encourage the demolition of deteriorating or deteriorated residential or commercial structures and the subsequent construction of new improvements on the property and, if determined possible, make recommendations for the changes in the guidelines necessary to implement the program.”

After discussion by Council Members, a vote was called on Council Member Laster's substitute motion to Amendment 15.04. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0412 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 11 - Burks - 2.05

HITS to work with appropriate departments to develop up-to-date electronic access available to Councilmembers that would eliminate the need for printed Agendas, Backups, MFOR's, Quarterly Investment Reports and Budget Books that are traditionally used during City Council and Council Committee meetings - was presented. Council Member Green absent.

After discussion by Council Member Burks, a vote was called on Line 11, Amendment 2.05. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Green absent. MOTION 2013-0413 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 12 - Noriega - 3.02

Within 180 days the city will create an online 311 dashboard to provide 311 analytics to the public. This system will be created and monitored by ARA and will include as a minimum: number of reports by type, department issue referred to, resolution (no violation, resolved by land owner, resolved by city, not resolved, etc.), average, median, max, min and standard deviation of time to resolution. Other metrics shall be included as appropriate to fully evaluate the City's response to 311 issues. An exception report of unresolved issues will be published online and provided to Council Member every 90 days. Allocate the amount of not less than \$10,000 to be taken from the Maintenance Renewal and Replacement Fund (529999)(Adams 9.09) – was presented.

After discussion Council Member Adams asked that they support Line 12, Amendment 3.02 on behalf of Council Member Noriega.

Mayor Parker stated they were already working on this and were well on the way, they were not opposed to her putting a 180 day deadline and so forth, it was not necessary to allocate revenue to this, they all ready had FTEs working on it and they did intend to report back within 90 days to the appropriate committee, and asked Council Member Adams if she would be willing to offer a referral to the committee so they could report on their current status.

Council Member Adams moved to refer Line 12, Amendment 3.02 to the Transportation, Technology and Infrastructure Committee within the next 90 days, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0414 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 13 - Bradford - 4.08

Super Neighborhood Councils represent geographically designated areas where residents, civic organizations, institutions and businesses work together to identify, plan, and set priorities to address the needs and concerns of their community. They form organizational structures, draft by-laws, and they are officially recognized by the Mayor and Council Members. To accomplish their objectives, Super Neighborhood representatives need information and statistical data that is organized, easily accessible, and geographically specific. To the extent existing City of Houston personnel and resources are available and adequate, this amendment requires the initiation of a process within 30 days after approval of the FY2014 Budget by the Police, Fire, Public Works and Engineering, Solid Waste Management, Parks and Recreation, Houston Emergency Center, Administration and Regulatory Affairs departments to utilize technology to sort information and statistical data via Super Neighborhood boundaries and make it available.

This amendment only proffers the use of existing City personnel and resources; therefore no additional funding source needs to be identified.

Funding Option: Not Applicable - was presented.

After discussion by Council Members Bradford and Pennington, Mayor Parker stated that she would support this passage and perhaps they needed to come back to the appropriate Council committee and walk everybody through it once of what was available and then Council Members could specifically request what other type of data they would like to see.

A vote was called on Line 13, Amendment 4.08. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0415 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 14 - Adams - 9.06

Request that the Houston Public Library/Library Board establish a policy that would review funding sources for the Houston Center for Literacy in the amount of \$100,000. The need for the additional funding is due to the increase in providers that need the resources to assist with adult literacy programs. Allocate \$100,000 from Fund Balance 7.5% threshold per ordinance 2003-474 – was presented.

Mayor Parker stated they may have misunderstood Council Member Adams original request, her understanding was that she wanted to make sure they provided at least \$100,000 to literacy and they in fact spent \$400,000, but it was her understanding Council Member Adams was asking that they up the amount they spend on literacy.

Council Member Adams stated her amendment requested that the Houston Public Library or the Library Board come together and try to establish a policy that would review funding sources for the Houston Center for Literacy, that the need for additional funding was due to the increase in providers that needed the resources to assist with adult literacy programs, that she would ask her colleagues to please support the amendment.

Mayor Parker stated she would vote against this item, it did require additional spending in the budget, and trusted that Council Member Adams wanted the off setting cut to come from within the Houston Public Library budget, and Council Member Adams stated no, elsewhere in the General Fund.

Council Member Christi stated if the item passed he would exhort the Literacy Center to be synergistic with Bush Literacy Foundation, they had a tremendous fund raiser every year and were targeting closer to home in spending these funds, and also by synergistic with Region Four Education Center, and Mayor Parker stated that all of the literacy agencies, she believed, worked very closely together, that this used to be the Houston Read Commission and the Bush Foundation had been very supportive in the past.

A roll call vote was called on Line 14, Amendment 9.06.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Parker voting no	Council Member Rodriguez voting aye
Council Member Brown voting no	Council Member Laster voting no
Council Member Davis voting aye	Council Member Green voting aye
Council Member Cohen voting aye	Council Member Costello voting no
Council Member Adams voting aye	Council Member Burks voting aye
Council Member Martin voting no	Council Member Noriega absent on personal business
Council Member Hoang voting aye	Council Member Bradford voting aye
Council Member Pennington voting no	Council Member Christie voting aye
Council Member Gonzalez voting no	MOTION 2013-0416 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 15 - Martin - 10.04

Reassign (2) Houston Permitting Center full time employees to the Clear Lake HPD Substation/Municipal Court Annex, located at 2855 Bay Area Boulevard. For one day each week between the hours of 8:00am-5:00pm, with the exception of Thursdays. No additional funding is required – was presented.

After discussion Council Member Martin stated he would withdraw Line 15, Amendment 10.04.

55. – Line 16 - Gonzalez - 13.03

The city will review current fire & building code requirements, including but not limited to sprinkler systems. The city will examine the current fee structure to ensure that it adequately supports the current safety of first responders and all citizens in the case of an emergency. Relevant stakeholders should be involved in the review process. An update should be presented to the Public Safety Committee within 90 days. Any related costs should be taken from remaining funds in the unrestricted reserve in excess of 7.5% - was presented.

After discussion Council Member Gonzalez stated that the appropriate thing was to allow for the review and allow it to go through the proper committee, the Public Safety Committee, within 90 days.

Mayor Parker stated that his motion was to refer this to committee and they would come and make a full report of what they were doing to date.

A vote was called on referring Line 16, Amendment 13.03, to the Public Safety Committee within 90 days. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal

business. MOTION 2013-0417 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 17 - Rodriguez - 14.02

Dedicate 10% of overall BARC budget to intake prevention (ie. spay/neuter, micro chipping, and education awareness) – was presented.

After discussion Council Member Rodriguez stated that he wanted to substitute 11% for 10%, seconded by Council Member Burks.

Mayor Parker stated they were intending an aggressive rollout of intake prevention, that as they knew when they presented to his committee on the information they received from the applied mathematics students, one of the challenges was that so many dogs came in to BARC already ill, particularly with Heartworms and if they did not raise the health level of the dogs that came in, before they came in, it was going to be very difficult to get those dogs back out of the shelters, that in addition they needed to do an aggressive spay and neuter, that she was giving Mr. Dowe a chance to do some quick math and tell her what the budgetary impact of that would be, and Mr. Dowe stated it would be an approximate \$41,000 increase.

Council Member Rodriguez moved to add \$41,000 to his substitute motion to be allocated in the BARC budget, seconded by Council Member Burks.

After further discussion by Council Members, a vote was called on Line 17, substitute for 14.02. Mayor Parker and Council Members Parker, Brown, Martin, Pennington, Gonzalez and Christi voting no, balance voting aye. MOTION 2013-0418 ADOPTED AS SUBSTITUTED

55. – Line 18 - Rodriguez - 14.03

Create a taskforce charged with developing a comprehensive plan to increase BARC budget annually with an overall goal of reducing intake and increasing live release rate by 50% within the next five years (10% annually) – was presented.

Mayor Parker stated there was no budgetary impact from this item, and Council Member Davis stated that he wanted to thank Council Member Rodriguez for bringing this forward.

A vote was called on Line 18, Amendment 14.03. Council Member Brown voting no, balance voting aye. MOTION 2013-0419 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 19 - Green - 16.02

Respectfully incorporate the street lighting program within the City's CDBG funding for areas within low-moderate income areas (local streets only). HUD approved initiative. Funding source: CDBG dollars - was presented.

After discussion by Council Members Green and Adams, Mayor Parker stated that she wanted to be clear, it was not new funding, just a reprogramming of other funding, they did not believe it would have a negative impact on existing programs. Council Members Cohen and Rodriguez.

A vote was called on Line 19, Amendment 16.02. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Members Cohen and Rodriguez absent. MOTION 2013-0420 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 20 - Burks - 2.02

Eliminate the cost for a Performance Management Review and using these funds plus additional funding of \$300,000 from PWE, add to 3 additional FTE's to the Office of Business Opportunity for the contracts compliance team - was presented.

After discussion Council Member Burks asked Mayor Parker when would the review be concluded, and Mayor Parker stated that the review was already in the works, that Ms. Carlecia Wright was the first one out of the shoot, they knew she needed more people, but did she need one, two or three more, did she need to do an internal reorganization, they had changed her responsibilities and they would like the opportunity to let that settle out before they went out and hired people, that was why they wanted to do a performance review; and asked Director Dowe if he knew what the completion date was for the review, they charged back to Public Works all they could legally charge back to Public Works.

Mr. Dowe, Director, Finance Department, stated there were two issues, one, they did an annual review as required by the Grantors of the dollars that they could legally charge to the Enterprise Funds and Grants, that went on annually, that they thought upon the update of the current fiscal year there may be room for one more in Public Works, that a performance review generally took three months, they began at the beginning of June.

Council Member Burks stated that he would withdraw Line 20, Amendment 2.02.

55. – Line 21 - Adams - 9.03

Recommend that the Public Works Department budget for Contract Compliance Officers from their enterprise fund for the Department of Business Opportunity. Currently PWE provides a reimbursement for the expenses \$77, 156 incurred by OBO for an employee specifically designed for Public Works Contracts. Request that the \$77,156 remain in Department of Business Opportunity – was presented.

After discussion by Council Member Adams, Mayor Parker stated that as she indicated they were doing the performance management review, that the only way to move money from an Enterprise Fund was through charge back.

After further discussion Council Member Adams stated she would withdraw Line 21, Amendment 9.06.

55. – Line 22 - Bradford - 4.03

The Office of Business Opportunity (OBO) has requested and is scheduled to receive an increase of two (2) FTEs (Full-Time Equivalents) to be funded via the General Fund. Much of OBO's daily activity deals with contract compliance and vendor services related to the Department of Public Works and Engineering (PWE) activities. Therefore, the costs of funding these two positions are recoverable from the Combined Utility System (CUS). This Amendment requires the Administration to charge-back or "cross-bill" the CUS of the PWE Department and recover these costs.

Funding Option: CUS Fund No. 8300/8301/8305, FY2014 projected revenues \$1,001,651,700.00.

Alternate Funding Option: Dedicated Drainage & Street Renewal Fund (DDSRF) Fund No. 2310/2000, FY2014 projected revenues \$176,907,700.00 – was presented.

After discussion Council Member Bradford stated he would withdraw Line 22, Amendment 4.03.

55. – Line 23 - Adams - 9.09

Within 180 days the city will create an online 311 dashboard to provide 311 analytics to the public. This system will be created and monitored by ARA and will include as a minimum: number of reports by type, department issue referred to, resolution (no violation, resolved by land owner, resolved by city, not resolved, etc.), average, median, max, min and standard deviation of time to resolution. Other metrics shall be included as appropriate to fully evaluate the City's response to 311 issues. An exception report of

unresolved issues will be published online and provided to Council Member every 90 days. Allocate the amount of not less than \$10,000 to be taken from the Maintenance Renewal and Replacement Fund (529999)(Adams 9.09) – was presented.

After discussion Council Member Adams stated she would withdraw Line 23, Amendment 9.09.

55. – Line 24 - Laster - 15.02

I move that during FY 2014 that the Planning and Development Department, Legal Department and the Department of Neighborhoods, and the Mayor's Office Of Economic Development:

1. Begin the process of creating a database of each and all available written deed restrictions including plat maps associated with said restrictions "Deed Restriction Database" for neighborhoods located inside the city limits and the extra-territorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston (collectively the "Combined Limits of the City") that have been recorded in the Official Public Records of Real Property of Harris, Montgomery, Fort Bend and Brazoria Counties or any other county within which the Combined Limits of the City may extend ("Officially Recorded Deed Restrictions");
2. Establish administrative regulations providing that the Deed Restriction Database shall be operated and managed by the appropriate Department of the City of Houston.
3. Establish a budget(s) for the annual up-grade and operational management of the Deed Restriction Database; and,
4. Allocating the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 to be taken from the Reserve Fund balance existing over 7.5% for the next fiscal year to be used in the initial creation of the Deed Restriction Database.

After discussion Council Member Laster moved a substitute motion to refer Line 24, Amendment 15.02 to the appropriate committee. All voting aye. Nays none. MOTION 2013-0421 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 25 - Noriega - 3.03

Within 180 days the City shall establish an online database for neighborhood deed restrictions. The database may be stand alone or may use the GIS system as a platform. The database shall include all active deed restrictions within the City of Houston. Allocate the amount of not less than \$10,000 to be taken from GIS Revolving Fund Services (521630).- was presented.

Council Member Gonzalez moved to refer Line 25, Amendment 3.03, to the appropriate committee, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0422 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 26 - Adams - 9.04

Within 60 days, the Legal Department, Planning Department and Department of Neighborhoods draft a policy in addressing the Pro Bono Lawyers program that will assist in altering, amending or creating deed restrictions. The Legal Department will provide a set of deed restrictions for neighborhoods to choose in order to renew or implement deed restrictions in the City of Houston neighborhoods. Allocate \$2,000 from Legal Department Miscellaneous - was presented.

After discussion Council Member Adams stated that after meeting with Mr. Feldman he had agreed to come up with an alternative with the pro bono program to try and locate lawyers to volunteer their time during the Chapter 42 process, that she would withdraw Line 9.04, Amendment 9.04.

55. – Line 27 - Rodriguez - 14.05

Increase funding to Legal Department FY 2014 Budget to create two additional attorney positions charged with enforcing neighborhood deed restrictions – was presented. Council Member Davis absent.

After discussion Council Member Rodriguez stated he would withdraw Line 27, Amendment 14.05 if Mayor Parker would work with him to see if there were funds available during the fiscal year to work on dangerous building attorney's. Council Member Davis absent.

Mayor Parker stated as they knew dangerous buildings were a particular concern of hers and they were throwing a lot of resources at them now, that she was not interested in adding additional spending into the budget, but if they could free up some money either in the Legal Department budget, or across their dangerous building activities, realizing it involved a number of different City Departments that she intended to beef that up; that Council Member Rodriguez agreed to withdraw Amendment 14.05. Council Member Davis absent.

At 3:10 p.m. Council Member Laster moved for a 10 minute break, seconded by Council Member Rodriguez. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Davis absent. MOTION 2013-0423 ADOPTED.

At 3:26 p.m. the City Council reconvened in the City Council Chamber to continue the meeting.

Mayor Parker stated that today was Juneteenth, a historic day in Texas; that apparently the budget meeting was trending on Twitter; that Item No. 19 had been received.

Item received during meeting.

19. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing third amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **AIR PRODUCTS AND CHEMICALS, INC** (Approved by Ordinance No. 2007-730, as amended) for Operation and Maintenance of the Oxygen Plant at the 69th Street Wastewater Treatment Facility for the Public Works & Engineering Department – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0615 ADOPTED.

Council Member Green stated that he would release his tag on Item No. 24.

24. ORDINANCE appropriating \$287,000.00 out of Contribution for Capital Projects Fund, and \$294,200.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF as an additional appropriation to the Project Partnership Agreement between the City of Houston and the **UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS** for Construction of the Sims Bayou Recreation Plan Project approved by Ordinance Number 2012-0029; approving and authorizing first amendment to the Project Partnership Agreement - **DISTRICTS D - ADAMS; I - RODRIGUEZ and K – GREEN** – was again before City Council.

Council Member Green stated that he was able to speak with Mr. Icken and individuals with the Bayou Greenways initiative and was able to understand how they were going to fund the rest of the track that the Army Corp of Engineers was not going to be able to fund.

A vote was called on Item No. 24. Council Member Brown voting no, balance voting aye. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. ORDINANCE 2013-0616 ADOPTED.

Mayor Parker stated that a budget tally to this point, estimated reduction in revenue of \$3.8 million and additional spending not in the previous budget of \$250,000 and \$100,000 gave them a swing of \$4,150,000 that they would have to fund.

55. – Line 28 - Bradford - 4.02

Many of the City of Houston's After-School Program Initiatives (14 of 18) are dependent on grant dollars as a funding source or have no designated funding source at all. The unpredictability of grant dollars as a funding source does not allow for planned, ongoing, structured-type activities that are needed to help protect youth from crime, general victimization, or other destructive activities. Parents, program planners and youth need a recurring, dependable funding source to leverage the full benefits of out-of-school time activities. Also, a General Fund source would place the proper, and much needed, priority on After-School Programs as effective crime prevention strategies. This Amendment requires the Administration to identify \$1,500,000.00 to fund the participation for fifty (50) youth at each of thirty (30) locations designated by respective District Council Members.

Funding Option: General Fund No. 1000, FY2014 projected revenues \$2,196,579,253.00.

Alternate Funding Option: Police Department Asset Forfeiture Fund No. 2202/2203/2204/1000, FY2014 projected revenues \$12,600,000.00.

Alternate Funding Option: Housing Department's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - was presented.

After discussion by Council Member Bradford, Mayor Parker stated she there were several things that gave her heartburn about this item, but one was that Council Member Bradford had indicated that they were "required" to create 30 different locations with 50 kids each, it was very descriptive, and required that they be in all Council Districts, and Council Member Bradford stated that he was trying to provide options, he thought they should be citywide, that he had always tried to respect the protocol of the District Council Member, if someone did not think they needed this in their district he could do an amendment to take it out of a district and move it where it was needed elsewhere, and Mayor Parker stated that she did not intend to vote for this item because she would have to take it out of some other place in the budget, but would strongly request that Council Member Bradford take out the "requires" word where he specified that they must create a fund for 30 different locations with a minimum of 50 kids each, and Council Member Bradford stated he would accept that friendly motion.

Council Member Bradford accepted the following as a friendly amendment:

This Amendment ~~requires~~ the Administration to identify \$1,500,000.00 to fund the participation for fifty (50) youth at each of thirty (30) locations designated by respective District Council Members.

After discussion by Council Members, Council Member Costello stated that he was in support of the concept, but did not support the fact they were allocating money out of the General Fund without identifying where the money was coming from and thought that was what they needed to do, and Mayor Parker stated it was her belief, when they passed the earlier item on surveillance cameras, that it would come out of Asset Forfeiture and that would be her intention to take that, and since this item was put forward under Public Safety it would be her intention to find this in the police budget. Council Member Rodriguez absent.

Mayor Parker further stated that the CDBG funds were all committed contractually to non-profits, SEARCH, HEART and various other organizations that received CDBG funds, they were

contracted through the third quarter of 2014, so they would not be able to tap into those CDBT funds for this particular item. Council Member Rodriguez absent.

After further discussion by Council Members, a roll call vote was called on Line 28, Amendment 4.02.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Parker voting no	Council Member Rodriguez voting no
Council Member Brown voting no	Council Member Laster voting no
Council Member Davis voting aye	Council Member Green voting aye
Council Member Cohen voting no	Council Member Costello voting no
Council Member Adams voting aye	Council Member Burks voting aye
Council Member Martin voting no	Council Member Noriega absent on personal business
Council Member Hoang voting no	Council Member Bradford voting aye
Council Member Pennington voting aye	Council Member Christie voting no
Council Member Gonzalez voting no	MOTION 2013-0424 FAILED

Mayor Parker stated that Line 29, 30 and 31 all had to do with summer jobs programs, that Line 29 and 31 were similar in that they were targeting \$3 million for summer job programs and they had cross referenced Line 29 and 31.

55. – Line 29 - Bradford - 4.01

As of February 21, 2013, the Houston Police Department documented nearly 20,000 gang members in the Houston area. This represents a 33% increase in documented gang memberships in just the last three (3) years. Recognizing that summer jobs and after-school programs are effective crime prevention strategies, this Amendment addresses a real need to do something different because too many youth are still being detained, arrested and victimized. This Amendment requires the Administration to identify not less than \$3,000,000.00 to fund a Summer Jobs Program for Houston's Youth. The Program shall commence as soon as practical after approval of the FY2014 Budget, however, it shall commence no later than thirty (30) days after the Budget is approved. The Program shall continue until the allocation of funds has been depleted.

Funding Option: Funding for such program is available and permissible under the Housing Department's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) guidelines, FY2014 revenues \$21,805,465.00.

("Public Services" 16% = \$3,600,000.00)

Alternate Funding Option: General Fund No. 1000/General Government 9900 / Commitment Item 520755 Contingency, FY2014 assigned revenue \$5,600,000.00.

Alternate Funding Option: General Fund No. 1000 / FY13 Ending Fund Balance-Unassigned \$164,487,874.00 - was presented.

After a lengthy discussion by Council Members, Mayor Parker stated that she without cutting existing jobs or programs, she had also laid out for Council Members, in terms of prioritization, those two line items in the budget where they had money that was not going to an existing program, the MRR line item and the Performance Management piece of General Government, that she was not suggesting that they tap into it.

A roll call vote was called on Line 29, Amendment 4.01.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Parker voting no	Council Member Rodriguez voting no
Council Member Brown voting no	Council Member Laster voting no
Council Member Davis voting aye	Council Member Green voting aye

Council Member Cohen voting no
Council Member Adams voting aye
Council Member Martin voting no

Council Member Costello voting no
Council Member Burks voting aye
Council Member Noriega absent
on personal business

Council Member Hoang voting no
Council Member Pennington voting no
Council Member Gonzalez voting no

Council Member Bradford voting aye
Council Member Christie voting no
MOTION 2013-0425 FAILED

55. – Line 30 - Bradford - 4.07

The General Fund FY2014 ending fund balance shall be maintained at the preferred 7.5% level (of total operating expenditures, excluding debt service). Any accrued reserves exceeding the 7.5% level shall be allocated to increase the City's Rainy Day Fund above the assigned \$20,000,000.00 or allocated to assist in funding a Summer Jobs Program for Houston's Youth.

Funding Option: Not Applicable

After discussion Council Member Bradford stated he would withdraw Line 30, Amendment 4.07. Council Member Martin absent.

55. – Line 31 - Green - 16.04

Respectfully allocated \$3,000,000.00 to establish the City of Houston Youth Summer Jobs Program. Funding source: HPD Police Asset Forfeiture Fund or overage of 2.5% from Rainy Day Fund or Not Applicable (*General Revenue Fund 100 from unassigned projected ending fund balance of \$137,882,363.00*) – was presented. Council Member Martin absent.

After discussion by Council Member Green, Mayor Parker stated that technically there was no overage in the Rainy Day Fund, it was a \$20 million cash account, if Council Member Green meant the unallocated reserve up to 7.5% that was allocated by a previous vote of Council, it was not required that they specify a funding source, but Council Member Green had indicated two that were not applicable, that as she had indicated in her answer earlier she had clearly told them where the money was, if Council Member Green could convince his colleagues to go there, but they had already taken a vote on a very similar item, she would consider this to be a duplicate of Council Member Bradford's Amendment 4.02, and Council Member Green stated that his program would start next year. Council Member Martin absent.

After further discussion by Council Members, Council Member Costello offered a friendly amendment to support funding for FY15 of \$1.5 million, and over the next year they figure out how they structure that program and the money would directly come out of the Contingency Fund, and Mayor Parker stated they could not allocate FY15, if Council Member Costello would say FY14, and Council Member Costello stated "FY14", knowing that the program would not be coming into affect until FY15. Council Member Martin absent.

Mayor Parker stated that it was calendar year 2014 summer, out of the Contingency Fund, and Council Member Green stated that he would accept Council Member Costello friendly amendment. Council Member Martin absent.

Council Member Costello moved a substitute motion as follows:

Respectfully allocated \$1,500,000.00 to establish the City of Houston Youth Summer Jobs Program out of the General Government Contingency line item, with the intention to have the program up and running for the summer of calendar year 2014 seconded by Council Member Green.

After further discussion by Council Members, Council Member Brown stated that she believed when they used limited funds on fixing their roads, flooding and drainage they were creating jobs and that was how they needed to put these tax dollars to work.

A vote was called on Line 31, on the substituted motion for Amendment 16.04 as substituted. Council Member Brown voting no, balance voting aye. MOTION 2013-0426 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 32 - Christi - 5.02

General Fund—General Government: Transfer \$4,400 from General Government Contingency (Commit Item 520755) to the Parks & Recreation Department General Fund budget to continue Positive Coaching Alliance programming for youth sports – was presented.

After discussion Council Member Christi stated that they should raid the At Large Position 5 budget for \$4,400, and Mayor Parker thanked Council Member Christi for that.

After further discussion by Council Members, Mayor Parker stated that the item before them was take \$4,400, from the budget of Council Member Christi, to pay for the Positive Coaching Alliance Program within the Houston Parks and Recreation Department.

A vote was called on Line 32, Amendment 5.02, as substituted. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. MOTION 2013-0427 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 33 - Burks - 2.03

Utilize Houston Community College to facilitate HPD classes required for completion of required police training including TCLOSE requirements. Allow HPD officers to serve as HCC instructors - was presented.

After discussion by Council Members, Council Member Burks stated that he would withdraw Line 33 Amendment 2.03. Council Members Davis, Cohen and Rodriguez absent.

55. – Line 34 - Burks - 2.04

Utilize Houston Community College to facilitate classes required for completion of required Fire Academy training for HFD – was presented.

After discussion Council Member Burks stated he would withdraw Line 34, Amendment 2.04. Mayor Parker and Council Members Davis, Cohen and Pennington absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

55. – Line 35 - Adams - 9.05

Within 60 days, the Legal Department and Houston Police Department develop an amendment to address Game Room hours of operation in the City of Houston. This amendment will impact stand-alone gaming rooms with four or more eight liner machines. Allocate \$2,000 from the Asset Forfeiture Fund – was presented.

After discussion by Council Member Adams, Mayor Parker stated she wanted to clarify her response, it probably should not be a request to withdraw, it was to refer to committee, that they were already working with Council Member Adams and agreed with her and wanted to do it, eight liners were a problem in the community, that this was not technically a budget amendment, it had to do with drafting an ordinance, they were committed to do whatever they could.

Council Member Adams moved to refer Line 35, Amendment 9.05 to the appropriate committee, seconded by Council Member Costello. All voting aye. Nays none. Council

Members Davis and Cohen absent. MOTION 2013-0428 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 36 - Martin - 10.07

Purchase additional bicycles for the HPD-Kingwood Substation for increased patrol on the greenbelts - was presented. Council Members Davis and Adams absent.

Council Member Martin stated that he would withdraw Line 36, Amendment 10.07, Line 36, Amendment 10.08, Line 40, Amendment 10.05 and Line 41, Amendment 10.06, as he would have some surplus of his Council office funds, he would be using those funds in both substations of the police in Clear Lake and Kingwood to make these purchase and also rely on each individual Police Department, the Police Captain, to make sure these funds were used to the best of their abilities, that he was also working with Council Member Rodriguez on another initiative they had and were going in joint force with that . Council Members Davis and Adams absent.

Mayor Parker stated that Council Member Martin had voluntarily withdrawn Lines 36, 37, 40 and 41, and as Council Member Christi, since these were not big ticket items and fell within exiting operational parameters he had committed budget surplus to that and she appreciated that. Council Members Davis and Adams absent.

55. – Line 37 - Martin - 10.08

Hire (1) full time employee (FTE) for the Houston Police Department to solicit federal and commercial grant funds. This additional FTE would be self-funded through the existing Houston Police Department grant program – withdrawn by Council Member Martin. Council Members Davis and Adams absent.

55. – Line 40 - Martin - 10.05

Purchase one utility cart and trailer, similar to utility cart at HFD station #103, and deploy at a Houston Fire station in the southern portion of District E – withdrawn by Council Member Martin. Council Members Davis and Adams absent.

55. – Line 41 - Martin - 10.06

Purchase an emergency back-up generator for HFD station #72, located in District E – withdrawn by Council Member Martin. Council Members Davis and Adams absent.

55. – Line 38 - Gonzalez - 13.05

Within 180 days, give an update to the Public Safety Committee to identify the cost to provide tactical armor to appropriate HPD personnel. If the committee finds that tactical armor is needed, funds should be allocated from the Asset Forfeiture Fund (551040) – was presented.

After discussion Council Member Gonzalez moved a substitute motion to refer Line 38, Amendment 13.05 to the appropriate committee. Council Member Burks absent.

Mayor Parker stated that she knew Council Member Gonzalez's intent was not that every police office have tactical armor, but they had to have sufficient available beyond SWAT, they had a number of SWAT call outs over the last few weeks, and unusual number, and fortunately they had ended well, but there were also situations where SWAT would have to be deployed.

Council Member Davis asked if they had identified they needed 300 sets, and Mayor Parker stated they had already purchased 300 sets with grant funding, they considered their higher priority to be replacement of the bullet proof vests, that Council Member Gonzalez had asked for a report to his committee on this issue and they would grant that, that she would have the Police Department come in and explain what they thought the optimal was. Council

Member Burks absent.

A vote was called on Council Member Gonzalez's substitute motion to refer Line 38, Amendment 13.05 to the Public Safety Committee. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Burks absent. MOTION 2013-0429 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 39 - Green - 16.01

Respectfully increase 1 FTE for a PSO (Public Service Officer) specifically for the Fort Bend Houston HPD Satellite Office (estimated cost of \$60,000 inclusive of salary, benefits and pension). Funding source: HPD Police Asset Forfeiture Fund or overage of 2.5% from Rainy Day Fund or Not Applicable (*General Revenue Fund 100 from unassigned projected ending fund balance of \$137,882,363.00*) – was presented. Council Member Burks absent.

Council Member Green stated when they heard the presentation of the budget report from the Police Chief he indicated that built into his budget there were PSO positions that he had yet to assign to particular store fronts and as a result he would not be requesting a dollar amount, an additional dollar amount on top of the budget and moved that one of those unassigned PSOs be assigned to the Fort Bend satellite office, seconded by Council Member Costello.

Mayor Parker stated that she was sympathetic to Council Member Green's motion, that she would say that she had pulled the statistics on store front utilization and did not want to surprise Council Members, but as she went to find budget cuts, store fronts were going to be very high on her list, they had some store fronts that averaged one person a day visit and she did not consider that to be a proper use of police resources, that this was a new store front and she was willing to give it a chance, that she did not want to close all store fronts, some of them averaged 25 people a day, but wanted to give everybody a heads up about that. Council Member Burks absent.

After further discussion by Council Members, Council Member Green moved to refer Line 39, Amendment 16.01 to the Public Safety Committee if he could receive some assurance from who would make the decision on the placement of the PSOs, seconded by Council Member Costello.

Mayor Parker stated that the Police Department would make the ultimate determination of where they would deploy his resources, what she was asking to take to committee was a discussion of the store front program, whether they needed to keep all of the store fronts they had, they spent \$1 million a year on store front staffing, that most of the spaces were donated; that she was not intending that discussion to supplant Council Member Green's budget request, that she was saying they ought to have a productive discussion about store fronts in general. Council Member Brown absent.

After further discussion Council Member Green stated that the change to the Amendment 16.01 was that he was withdrawing the financial request of the amendment and only asking that one PSO be put in that particular store front, within the existing budget. Council Member Brown absent.

A vote was called on Council Member Green's substitute motion to refer Line 39, Amendment 16.01 to the Public Safety Committee. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Brown absent. MOTION 2013-0430 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 42 - Rodriguez - 14.01

Increase funding to HFD FY 2014 Budget to include replacement of 4 ambulance units (of 7 committed to in FY2013 amendments) back in service that were taken out in December 2010 due to budget shortfall – was presented. Council Member Brown absent.

Council Member Rodriguez presented a written substitute amendment motion to Amendment 14.01 to provide funding as follows:

“The funding will come out of the General Government Line Item using the fund set aside for the HFD Work Demands Analysis to put the four ambulances back into service” Council Member Brown absent.

Mayor Parker stated she would support the motion since it used existing funds that were already dedicated to the Fire Department, she would say she really believed the department needed a thorough scrubbing on where and why they deploy their resources and this would take away the money they would spend on doing that. Council Member Brown absent.

After further discussion by Council Members, Council Member Costello stated that he was concerned, when they had the budget workshop meeting with the Chief, the Chief did say that he had an area where he knew he needed these four ambulances, that he would like for him to come before the Public Safety Committee to give them an update on where that analysis was coming from and why he was choosing the need for these four, and Mayor Parker stated this budget amendment would preclude that happening, that it was based on demands for service from the different fire stations, and Council Member Costello stated the Chief had performance measures that he would be able to tell them, that they did not have to do it now, they were going to put it in the budget, but before they actually pulled the trigger on funding them they could at least the performance measures.

After further discussion by Council Members, Mayor Parker stated there were fire apparatus, the ALS and BLS units, there were different stages to what they responded to, but she thought they were in general support of the concept and she was appreciative of the fact that many Council Members understood that they really did, at some point, need to look at deployment of resources in the Fire Department.

A vote was called on Council Member Rodriguez substitute amendment motion to Amendment 14.01. Council Member Brown voting no, balance voting aye. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Laster absent. MOTION 2013-0431 ADOPTED.

Mayor Parker stated that Council Member Laster had to leave and he submitted a written note that stated he wished to withdraw Line 54 and Line 59 and would need a motion. Council Member Laster absent.

Council Member Bradford moved to withdraw Line 54, Amendment 15.03 and Line 59, Amendment 15.01 seconded by Council Member Gonzalez. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Laster absent. MOTION 2013-0432 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 54 - Laster - 15.03

I/We move that during FY 2014 that the Legal Department, the Mayor’s Office of Economic Development, and any other appropriate Department:

1. Draft and present to City Council for approval an ordinance that would create a “Flood Control Mitigation Property Registry” (“Registry”) by and in which approved properties would be identified as being appropriate for use in flood control mitigation purposes

2. Establish a budget(s) for the annual management of the Registry; and, determine which department or division shall be charged with administering this program.
3. Allocating the amount of not less than \$15,000 to be taken from the Reserve fund balance existing over 7.5% for the next fiscal year to be used in the initial implementation of the Registry - was withdrawn by MOTION 2013-0432.

55. – Line 59 - Laster - 15.01

I move that \$750,000 to be taken from Fund No. 2310 Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Fund (Proposed Budget Page IX-57) to be allocated to Commit Item No. 532020 Transfers to Capital Projects (Proposed Budget, Page IX-68) for use in providing funds for the installation of neighborhood speed cushions and administration of the program - was withdrawn by MOTION 2013-0432.

At 6:09 p.m. Mayor Parker stated that HTV needed a moment to change out the tapes for the cameras, and the City Council would pause while they changed the tapes. Council Member Laster absent.

At 6:15 p.m. Mayor Parker stated they had changed that tapes and the next item would be Line 43, Amendment 3.01. Council Member Laster absent.

55. – Line 43 - Noriega - 3.01

Within 180 days the city will implement a pilot program to assist residents and businesses with sidewalk replacement. PWE will issue a Job Order Contract RFP and select one or more vendors for sidewalk replacement on a per foot cost basis. The department of Neighborhoods will establish a process to allow land owners to apply and pay for needed sidewalks. Sidewalks will be grouped by areas and the work will be completed on each sidewalk within 1 year of the owner's application. The details of this program will be presented to a joint meeting of the Transportation Technology and Infrastructure and Housing, Sustainable Growth and Development Committees at least 30 days prior to implementation. Allocate the amount of not less than \$10,000 to be taken from Transfers to Capital Projects Fund (532020) (Gonzalez 3.01) – was presented. Council Member Laster absent.

Mayor Parker stated this was an item with which they actually agreed but had a lot of moving parts, that it was really a policy item more than a budget item and would request a referral to the appropriate committee, that they would commit to working on it and bringing it forward, it would be a joint committee of TTI and Housing and Sustainable Growth, that she wanted to place it in the context of an overall review of the City's policy, vice a vi, sidewalks, that it had long troubled her that once a sidewalk was in place they would say to the homeowner it was their responsibility to maintain the sidewalk, how many homeowners actually had the wherewithal to maintain a sidewalk, that she had no trouble with the fact that they tell a homeowner to mow the grass in front of their house, but a sidewalk was a little bit different and thought it was time they revisited that City policy, so she would like a motion to refer this item to committee so they could work on it in detail. Council Member Laster absent.

Council Member Gonzalez moved to refer Line 43, Amendment 3.01 to the appropriate committee, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Laster absent. MOTION 2013-0433 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 44 - Gonzalez - 13.01

Within 180 days the city will implement a pilot program to assist residents and businesses with sidewalk replacement. PWE will issue a Job Order Contract RFP and select one or more vendors for sidewalk replacement on a per foot cost basis. The department of Neighborhoods will establish a process to allow land owners to apply and pay for needed sidewalks. Sidewalks will be grouped by areas and the work will be completed on each sidewalk within 1 year of the owner's application. The details of this program will be presented to a joint meeting of the Transportation Technology and Infrastructure and Housing, Sustainable Growth and Development Committees at least 30 days prior to implementation. Allocate the amount of not less than \$10,000 to be taken from Transfers to Capital Projects Fund (532020) (Noriega 3.01) - was presented.

Mayor Parker stated that Line 44 was exactly the same, and had been incorporated in the other. Council Member Laster absent.

After discussion Council Member Gonzalez stated he would withdraw Line 44, Amendment 13.01. Council Member Laster absent.

55. – Line 45 - Brown - 6.02

In 2010 the Water Rate was increased 20%. Since then, there were automatic annual increases including 8.9% increase April 2013. This amendment would freeze the water rate – no annual automatic increase in 2014. Funding Source: Not Applicable (or General Revenue Fund 100 from unassigned projected ending fund balance of \$137,882,363.00) – was presented. Council Member Laster absent.

After discussion by Council Members a roll call vote was called on Line 45, Amendment 6.02.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Parker voting no	Council Member Rodriguez voting no
Council Member Brown voting aye	Council Member Laster absent.
Council Member Davis voting no	Council Member Green voting no
Council Member Cohen voting no	Council Member Costello voting no
Council Member Adams voting no	Council Member Burks voting aye
Council Member Martin voting aye	Council Member Noriega absent on personal business
Council Member Hoang voting no	Council Member Bradford voting aye
Council Member Pennington voting aye	Council Member Christie voting aye
Council Member Gonzalez voting no	MOTION 2013-0434 FAILED

55. – Line 46 - Brown - 6.04

Since Rebuild Houston was approved by voters because of the need for additional funds to address drainage, this amendment will limit Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Fund 2310 funds by excluding day-to-day operational costs such as staffing (\$32,481,400.00) and supply needs such as vehicle purchases (\$3,199,600.00). Funding Source: General Revenue Fund 100 - \$35,681,000.00 from unassigned ending fund balance (projected \$137,882,363.00).- was presented. Council Member Laster absent.

After discussion by Council Members a roll call vote was called on Line 46, Amendment 6.04.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Parker voting no	Council Member Rodriguez voting no
Council Member Brown voting aye	Council Member Laster absent.

Council Member Davis voting no
Council Member Cohen voting no
Council Member Adams voting no
Council Member Martin voting no

Council Member Green voting no
Council Member Costello voting no
Council Member Burks voting no
Council Member Noriega absent
on personal business

Council Member Hoang voting no
Council Member Pennington voting no
Council Member Gonzalez voting no

Council Member Bradford voting no
Council Member Christie voting no
MOTION 2013-0435 FAILED

55. – Line 47 - Adams - 9.07

Within 60 days, the Department of Public Works install permanent traffic mitigation devices for Central City Subdivision of the City of Houston. Allocate \$150,000 from the Sale of capital assets – was presented. Council Member Laster absent.

After discussion Council Member Adams stated she would like to thank the administration and Public Works for all ready working on it and agreed to bring it before Council within the next 60 day of approval and would withdraw Line 47, Amendment 9.07. Council Member Laster absent.

55. – Line 48 - Adams - 9.08

Within 60 days, the Legal Department will present before council an ordinance addressing Alternative Product Use Loans or Credit Access Business. Allocate \$2,000 from the Legal Department Miscellaneous Support Services – was presented. Council Member Laster absent.

After discussion Council Member Adams stated she wanted to thank the administration and Attorney Feldman, who would continue working with them to consider to address this and hopefully they would be bringing this to committee soon and creating an ordinance, so therefore she would withdraw Line 48, Amendment 9.08. Council Member Laster absent.

Mayor Parker stated she would work with Council Member Adams on the appropriate time to bring it to committee, that they had a draft ordinance that had been posted publicly and would like to use information that came out of the Austin debate to perhaps inform the committee. Council Member Laster absent.

55. – Line 49 - Martin - 10.02

In section VII- 4, reduce line item # 520760; Contributions, by \$25,000 and distribute to the FY14 allocation for the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership to be added to the \$100,000 they traditionally get which would total \$125,000 – was presented.

Council Member Martin stated he would withdraw Line 49, Amendment 10.02 and Line 50, Amendment 10.03, that he appreciated the administration's commitment and Mr. Andy Icken working with him on this to dedicate \$100,000 of a one time grant for the new exhibit that was going to be housed at Space Center Houston, which would feature the Space Shuttle resting on top of the decommissioned 747, working with such great organizations in Clear Lake, like Space Center Houston and the Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership, and Mayor Parker stated that it was not out of General Fund dollars. Council Member Laster absent.

55. – Line 50 - Martin - 10.03

In section VII- 4, reduce line item # 520760; Contributions, by \$25,000 and allocate towards Space Center Houston to enhance and extend local economic development efforts by marketing Space Center Houston as a tourist attraction – withdrawn by Council Member Martin. Council Member Laster absent.

55. – Line 51 - Gonzalez - 13.02

The city's Legal Department will review and study the potential to adopt an 'Immigration Service Providers' ordinance and will provide a report to the Mayor and Council Members within 180 days. This is a consumer protection issue which impacts vulnerable residents; the intent would be to examine if any predatory practices are currently used by "notarios" or immigration service providers. The city's Legal Department will determine whether or not a registration process and fine structure is necessary. Any related costs should be taken from remaining funds in the unrestricted reserve in excess of 7.5% - was presented. Council Member Laster absent.

After discussion Council Member Gonzalez moved a substitute motion to refer Line 51, Amendment 13.02 to the appropriate committee. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Members Laster and Burks absent. MOTION 2013-0436 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 52 - Rodriguez - 14.04

Implement a Shopping Cart Ordinance within 6 months that would require new & remodeled businesses with shopping carts to take measures (ie. installing disabling devices on shopping carts, hiring on-site security guards to prevent cart thefts, or installing barriers around the store property) to prevent removal of shopping carts from respective property and fine those who do not comply. Council Members Laster and Burks absent.

After discussion Council Member Rodriguez moved a substitute motion to refer Line 52, Amendment 14.04 to the Quality of Life Committee. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Members Laster and Burks absent. MOTION 2013-0437 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 53 - Gonzalez - 13.04

Chapter 42 revisions are expected to increase the number of building and replat permits issued by the city. Identify any new revenue generated above the average collected over the last 5 years. Allocate an appropriate increment of that amount to increased staffing to assist with a more efficient and effective process that supports both increased development and better city oversight. Provide an update of collected revenue and actions taken related to increased Chapter 42 building and replat permits to the appropriate committee(s) within 180 days. Any related costs should be taken from remaining funds in the unrestricted reserve in excess of 7.5% - was presented. Council Member Laster absent.

After discussion Council Member Gonzalez stated he would withdraw Line 53, Amendment 13.04. Council Member Laster absent.

55. – Line 55 - Noriega - 3.04

Within 90 days determine, develop and implement standard operating procedures (to include mission, goals, processes and training) for all Public Information Officers (PIOs) working for a City of Houston department. Allocate funding to establish a comprehensive city-wide PIO training program and continual workshops.

Development of standards, training and continual workshops would allow PIOs to fully understand their mission and role in the department and city, provide them with best practices in the communications, crisis management, emergency management, media and public relations fields to assist them in fulfilling their responsibilities.

Allocate the amount of not less than \$10,000 to be taken from the Other Interfund Services Fund (522795) – was presented. Council Member Laster absent.

Mayor Parker stated she would request a referral to committee, she would be happy to go to the appropriate committee and have a discussion of how PIOs were trained.

Council Member Costello moved to refer Line 55, Amendment 3.04 to the appropriate committee, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Laster absent. MOTION 2013-0438 ADOPTED.

55. – Line 56 - Christi - 5.01

If the combination of property tax and sales tax revenues in Fiscal Year 2014 exceeds the projected \$1,575,010,000, all revenues over projection must be applied towards funding the City's general fund Governmental Accounting Standards Board actuarially required contribution for the Houston Municipal Employees Pension System, and the Houston Police Officers' Pension System. In the event an amendment is adopted (prior to consideration of 5.01) which diverts excess revenue from the above two sources, this amendment shall be operative for any unallocated amount – was presented. Council Member Laster absent.

Council Member Christi stated due to the passage of Line 1, Amendment 12.01, he would withdraw Line 56, Amendment 5.01. Council Member Laster absent.

Mayor Parker stated that Line 57 through Line 60, she believed, had been each submitted as separate CIP items. Council Member Laster absent.

55. – Line 57 - Adams - 9.01

Recommend the Parks and Recreation Department amend the CIP to add Edgewood Park to the Parks Master Plan for design of new park. Allocate the amount of \$300,000 to be taken from the Construction Site Work Services Special Fund X-139 Committed number 520126 – was presented. Council Member Laster absent.

After discussion Council Member Adams stated she would withdraw Line 57, Amendment 9.01. Council Member Laster absent.

55. – Line 58 - Adams - 9.02

Recommend that the Parks and Recreation Department add Macgregor Park to the Parks Master Plan list. Allocate \$250,000 from Asset Forfeiture Public Safety – was presented.

After discussion Council Member Adams stated she would withdraw Line 58, Amendment 9.02. Council Member Laster absent.

55. – Line 60 - Green - 16.03

Respectfully reinstate the 1% funding allocation for planting trees from CIP street and bridge projects as an ordinance (not resolution). Funding source: Implemented as part of let contract – was presented. Council Member Laster absent.

After discussion Council Member Green stated that he would withdraw Line 60, Amendment. 16.03. Council Member Laster absent.

Mayor Parker stated that they still had a couple of quick items of business to take care of, they had dealt with Agenda Item No. 55, all of the amendments that were presented, and in terms of the running total, only \$350,000 of money where they did not identify an offset to that money, plus the property tax relief for seniors of \$3.8 million. Council Member Laster absent.

Council Member Costello moved that the City Council adopt the proposed 2014 budget as amended, seconded by Council Member Christi. Council Member Laster absent.

Council Member Brown asked if they were going to find the sources of revenue for the items prior to the approval of the budget, and Mayor Parker stated she could find \$350,000, and Council Member Brown asked if the \$3.8 million could they take it from the contingency line item, and Mayor Parker stated she was not going to make the cut right away, in a backroom discussion with Director Dowe since they all believed the revenue would come in above their expectations they believed they could still hit their revenue targets even with the cut, it just meant there was less going to next year's fund balance. Council Member Laster absent.

After discussion by Council Members a vote was called on Council Member Costello's motion to adopt the budget as amended. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Laster absent. MOTION 2013-0439 ADOPTED.

55a. ORDINANCE related to the Fiscal Affairs of the City; approving the annual budgets of the City of Houston, Texas, for Fiscal Year 2014, including provisions for future adjustment to certain fund balances; making various amendments to the proposed budgets; authorizing certain transfers; re-designating a Cash Reserve in the Fund Balance; amending Sections 4-19, 20-38, 43-38, and 47-423 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; amending Ordinance 2010-476 relating to the Parking Management Special Revenue Fund; establishing a cost for copies of the budget; making other provisions related to the subject; making certain findings related thereto; providing a repealing clause; providing for severability – **(This was Item 57 on Agenda of June 12, 2013, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GONZALEZ)** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Laster absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0617 ADOPTED AS AMENDED

55b. MOTION, as required by Section 102.007(c) of the Texas Local Government Code, the City Council hereby ratifies the projected increase in property tax revenue reflected in the budget – **(This was Item 57A on Agenda of June 12, 2013, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BRADFORD)** – was presented.

Council Member Gonzalez moved as follows:

As required by Section 102.007C of the Texas Local Government Code that the City Council hereby ratified the projected increase in property tax revenue reflected in the budget, which was not due to any anticipated property tax rate increase, seconded by Council Member Cohen. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Member Laster absent. MOTION 2013-0440 ADOPTED.

MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Rodriguez stated that this was his last budget as the District I Council Member, that he wanted to thank his staff, all City Department Directors and personnel that worked on the budget, the administration, Local 341 HPOU, HPD, HFD, all the Council staff who had worked on this. Council Member Laster absent.

Mayor Parker stated that she appreciated the Council Members patience, this was the fourth budget that some of them had done together and they had tried to do it in as clear and systematic manner as possible, very transparent, and she appreciated everybody's patience today. Council Member Laster absent.

Council Member Gonzalez stated he wanted to congratulate the Council Members who

were leaving office after this year and thanked them for all of their efforts, the administration, all the liaisons and the different departments for a job well done, Council Members Costello and Bradford, that he knew it was a lot of work, a lot of give and take, nobody obviously got everything they wanted, but they were all acting in the best interest of the community at the end of the day. Council Member Laster absent.

Council Member Adams stated that she wanted to thank Council Members Costello and Bradford and all her colleagues as they continued to move the City forward, as well as all the City departments for what they had done in assisting them in implementing the budget, that she wanted to thank Mayor Parker for her leadership and direction, that it had been 14 years since she had known her, that being on this side of the table had been a tremendous one and working with the various City departments, that this to was her last budget, like Council Member Rodriguez as well as Council Member Noriega, that she was glad to support the budget, she knew it was tough and knew there was a lot of passion around the table for what they believed a Council Members in supporting and being the voice of their constituents; and announced events she attended or would be attending Council Members Brown, Cohen, Hoang and Laster absent.

Mayor Parker stated that she and Council Member Adams had known each other at least 16 years. Council Members Brown, Cohen, Hoang and Laster absent.

There being no further business before Council, the City Council adjourned at 7:05 p.m. Council Member Noriega absent on personal business. Council Members Brown, Cohen, Hoang and Laster absent.

DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY.

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED

/S/Anna Russell

Anna Russell, City Secretary