

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, October 8, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 8, 2013, Mayor Annise Parker presiding and with Council Members Helena Brown, Jerry Davis, Ellen R. Cohen, Wanda Adams, Dave Martin, Al Hoang, Oliver Pennington, Mike Laster, Larry V. Green, Stephen C. Costello, Andrew C. Burks, Jr., Melissa Noriega, C. O. "Brad" Bradford and Jack Christie, D. C.; Mr. Harlan Heilman, Legal Department, Division Chief, Claims & Subrogation Division; Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director, Ms. Stella Ortega, Agenda Office, present. Council Members Edward Gonzalez and James G. Rodriguez out of the city on city business.

At 1:47 p.m. Mayor Parker called the meeting to order and stated they would begin with the Council presentations and recognized Council Member Davis for the first presentation. Council Members Brown, Adams, Hoang, Green and Noriega absent.

Council Member Davis presented a proclamation for National Recreation and Parks Association and Parks Build Community Day, and stated that representatives of Parks Associations and Departments were convening in Houston for the 2013 National Recreation and Park Association Congress to engage in professional development, learning opportunities and interaction with their peers, that the National Recreation and Park Association and the Houston Parks and Recreation Department were partners in the successful Parks Build Communities, renovations that had produced outstanding results in Houston's Shady Lane Park in District B, and Mayor Parker stated they were very excited to have NRPA, National Recreation and Parks Association, in Houston and like Council Member Davis she was very excited about the overhaul of Houston's Shady Lane Park, therefore, she, Annise D. Parker, Mayor of the City of Houston, hereby proclaimed today as National Recreation and Parks Association Day in Houston, Texas and called upon all citizens to join her in greeting the delegates to the congress and wishing them a happy and productive time in their City. Council Members Brown, Adams, Green and Noriega absent.

A representative of the National Recreation and Parks Association stated that it was a true delight for their members to be present in Houston, they were very pleased to announce they had approximately 10,500 in attendance, they had kind of taken over the downtown Houston area and thus far it had been a tremendous experience, and thanked Mayor Parker and the City Council for the proclamation, as well as the partnership they had with Shady Lane Park. Council Members Brown, Adams, Green and Noriega absent.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford, Council Members Pennington and Burks congratulated the National Recreation and Parks Association and thanked their delegates for coming to Houston. Council Members Brown, Adams, Green and Noriega absent.

Mr. Turner stated that from a accreditation standpoint he would tell them that as of yesterday they were re-accredited as a department for their five years, they went through the accreditation last year and got the official accreditation vote yesterday morning for the department, that the accreditation process was a benchmarking and right now was about 144 standards that they had to go through and it benchmarked them against a national standard of all the ways they did business, keep up with business from a park standpoint and it monitored safety programs, recreation programs, how they managed their physical assets, their budget, everything they did as a department, that they had about 125 accredited agencies out of about 10,000, that it was an honor to do that, but their team did that. Council Members Brown, Adams and Noriega absent.

Council Member Noriega presented a proclamation to the National Cyber Security Alliance and the IT Department, to bring further awareness to cyber security a national effort coordinated

by a coalition of private companies, non-profits and government organizations had launched the Stop, Think, Connect Campaign, helping citizens to stay safer and more security on line, and Mayor Parker stated therefore, she, Annise D. Parker, Mayor of the City of Houston, hereby proclaimed October 2013 as National Cyber Security Awareness Month in Houston, Texas Council Members Brown, Davis and Adams absent.

Mr. Andre Allen thanked Mayor Parker for supporting the initiatives as well as City Council in recognizing how important cyber security was to their City and the entire Nation, they all knew the President issued an executive order a few months ago about critical infrastructure, which Houston was number six on the list of cities for critical infrastructure, so locally the Mayor signed Executive Order 148 in July 2013, and they also had some additional policies and procedures and handbooks to help the City and all departments to get in line with cyber security and to reduce the risk to the City, that they were rolling out a new cyber security awareness training program, a web based program titled Secure to Human, and would be available on line for all 22,000 City employees. Council Members Brown, Davis and Adams absent.

Council Member Christi stated that he thought some of the security in the future, internationally, was to have cyber security and asked what was the guard internally, and Mr. Charles Thompson stated that there were a couple of ways folks could learn to protect themselves, as well as they could learn to look at trends to insure that people were doing anomaly things, if they did not actually access certain things on Saturday, they might say that was an unnatural act and kind of monitor that, that the security awareness program they were putting together, they strongly advised every employee to take advantage of the online content to make themselves aware. Council Members Brown, Davis and Adams absent.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford thanked them for all for what they were doing because technology expansion had been very rapid and incidents of theft and fraud had increased, but they brought to the forefront what each individual could do to prevent the likelihood that the system or the network they were on would be breached. Council Members Brown, Davis and Adams absent.

Council Member Noriega stated that on behalf of Council Member Gonzalez she would ask Ms. Kelly Kindred Executive Director of the Bayou City Arts Festival, to come forward. Council Members Davis and Adams absent.

Ms. Kindred stated that she was present to invite them this weekend to attend the 42nd Annual Bayou City Arts Festival, which was happening downtown around City Hall, that she had placed at each of their spaces an envelope with tickets and VIP wristbands, they would be in the newly renovated Sam Houston Park, that she had included a letter that explained everything, there was also an invitation to their Art Heist, which was an event within an event, fundraiser they did, all of the money they raised with the Bayou Arts Festival went back to arts and community service organizations in the Houston area. Council Members Davis, Adams and Hoang absent.

At 2:07 p.m. Mayor Parker recognized Council Member Brown for the invocation and pledge of allegiance. Council Members Adams and Hoang absent.

At 2:09 p.m. the City Secretary called the roll. Council Members Gonzalez and Rodriguez out of the city on city business.

Council Members Bradford and Burks moved that the minutes of the preceding meeting be adopted. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Members Gonzalez and Rodriguez out of the city on city business. MOTION ADOPTED.

The City Secretary began calling the list of public speakers.

Mr. Isaac Valdez, 1 Main, Houston, Texas 77002 (713-359-0771) appeared and stated that he was the current Student Body President at the University of Houston Downtown and on behalf of the 14,000 students at the university he urged the City Council to vote in favor of the reallocation of money to reconstruct and improve the City parking lots, that under the reconstruction project the three main parking lots that affected the students were located near one of their main facilities and two underneath I-10, that in addition to poor pavement, lack of marked parking spaces, no landscaping, the most important was the lack of lighting, it was pitch black at night, that they would also ask to consider having a uniform fee on all City parking lots throughout Houston, at the moment, those three parking lots located near UHD must pay the regular parking fees until 11:00 p.m., while every where in Houston it was free to park after 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Parker stated that they looked forward to starting and completing the three parking lots within the next 9 months, that they operated off street parking lots based on demand and it was the on street lots that went off of the clock at 6:00 p.m., their policy on these lots was consistent with the other managed parking lots they had across the City.

Council Member Noriega thanked Mr. Valdez for taking the time to do his homework and taking his job as head of student government so seriously.

Mr. Kristopher Sharp, 9221 Pagewood Ln., Houston, Texas 77063 (832-736-0038) appeared and stated that he was Student Body Vice President at the University of Houston Downtown, that he was in favor of the ordinance appropriating \$500,509 for parking lot remediation, that it would affect a high trafficked parking lot on the campus of U of H Downtown that was critically in need of repair, that his colleague would be passing out some photos to tell them that the ordinance could not have come at a better time, that chief among their concerns was student safety, that the Gearheart Street lot presented significant security concerns to students and visitors who parked there, they were amplified at night due to the lack of sufficient lighting, within the lot itself and the surrounding areas, which must be used to travel to and from the parking lots, these paths were frequented by students, staff and visitors to travel between the various buildings, which made up their university, that he thought they could do better for their students. Council Member Cohen absent.

Council Member Noriega stated they appreciated his bringing the additional point about the safety and lighting, parking was a huge issue across the City and this was certainly not the only one. Council Member Cohen absent.

Ms. Tarah Taylor, 2104 Canal St., No. 444, Houston, Texas 77003 (713-371-8492) appeared and stated that she was present on behalf of the 14,000 students at the University of Houston Downtown, she was a Student Body Representative in the Student Government Association, that she was present to urge them to pass Item No. 11 on the agenda tomorrow, it was something they had worked on for four years, they had countless meetings with the City Council on their parking lots, that her number one priority was student safety, their school was in close proximity to the Harris County Jail and often when offenders got out they were close to their campus, it was imperative that they had enough lighting to see who was around them, get their keys and get into their cars safely, that the potholes were also an issue, that not only students but visitors parked there, the visitor parking lot had been demolished, so now they had an abnormal amount of people parking in the parking lots and if nothing was done it was only a matter of time before there was an incident, theft or loss of life, that this was not just about parking. Council Member Cohen absent.

Mr. Adam Mena, 16755 Ella Blvd., Houston, Texas 77090 (832-605-4924) had reserved

time to speak, but was not present when his name was called.

Mr. William Beal, 4718 Boicewood, Houston, Texas 77016 (713-738-3410) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called.

Mr. Chris Schillaci, (Private), appeared and presented information and stated that he was present on two separate environmental issues, first being the One Bin for All, that it posed a threat on low income communities concentrating all of the City's waste into a single facility would saddle some community with more congestion, vehicle emissions, noise, smell and a variety of other problems; that the second issue was the San Jacinto Waste Pits, that they were in a critical phase in the Superfund process and one of the most hazardous sites in the Nation, in his packets he had a couple of visuals and further reviewed the information presented.

Council Member Christi stated that on the first topic he sent out, last week, answers to some of the concerns for One Bin for All, they would be cognizant of that, what was best for the environment; the Superfund process he had legitimate concerns to keep them posted on what they could do to help.

Mr. Patrick, Mclvain, 1618 Weber, Houston, Texas 77007 (713-705-7058) appeared invited them to the Third Walk for Mental Health Awareness Houston, and stated their theme this year was optimism, "Your Cup Is Always Three Quarters Full", that over 84 million in the United States were challenged in one way or another with mental illness and yet they got very little topic exposure or dialog about it or the dialog was currently very negative.

Mayor Parker, Council Members Noriega and Burks thanked Mr. Mclvain for being an advocate for this community and commended him for his work and service as a veteran. Council Member Pennington absent.

Mr. Andre Mohead, 2830 Arica Ln., Houston, Texas (832-245-4564) appeared and presented a flyer from Barbara Jordan Endeavors for the DiversAbility Event & Health Resource Fair Kickoff, and thanked Mayor Parker, City Council and the Department of Parks and Recreation for agreeing to host their event, which would take place on Saturday, October 12, 2013, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Metropolitan Multi Service Cetner, 1475 West Gray, that he hoped to see everyone there. Council Members Pennington, Noriega and Green absent.

Mayor Parker stated that it was good to see Mr. Mohead at their Disability Awareness Month Kickoff last week and hoped Council Members would be able to attend the event this weekend. Council Members Pennington, Noriega and Green absent.

Council Members Adams and Costello thanked Mr. Mohead for all he continued to do and for his service to the community. Council Members Pennington, Noriega, Green and Burks absent.

Ms. Marie Johnson, 4223 Freedom Tree Dr., Missouri City, Texas 77459 (281-594-3241) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Pennington, Noriega, Green and Burks absent.

Ms. Gladys Williams, 5838 Southgood, Houston, Texas 77033 (281-690-2840) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Pennington, Noriega, Green and Burks absent.

Ms. Shondelyn Nicholas, 4102 Grassmere, Houston, Texas 77051 (832-541-4627) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when her name was called. Council Members

Pennington, Noriega, Green and Burks absent.

Ms. Shelia McDonald, 1442 Gentlebend, Missouri City, Texas 77489 (281-704-4728) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Pennington, Noriega, Green and Burks absent.

Mr. Jeff Ross, 3701 Kirby Dr., Houston, Texas 77098 (713-715-9675) appeared and stated that he was President and CEO of the Houston Botanical Garden, they had heard from supporters of the Gus Wortham Golf Course proposal at prior meetings, and also received support from the Greater East End Management District, the East End Chamber of Commerce and the Harrisburg Merchant Association, they had been making public presentations since last April about the botanic garden concept to repurpose the Gus Wortham property, their proposal was to create a nine hole golf course on the property, with the remainder of the land being used for the botanic garden, that the Houston Botanic Garden would create investment, it's initial phase was estimated to be in the range of \$30 million to \$40 million in capital costs and would create jobs on it's premises. Council Members Pennington, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Mayor Parker stated that Mr. Ross had briefed her and Council Member Rodriguez, in whose district this was, but the Houston Botanic Garden was a private non-profit and he had been looking for an appropriate site for some time, and asked what in particular was Mr. Ross looking for in this site, and Mr. Ross stated that the key criteria was first the size requirement, about a 90 acre parcel of land, not counting any buffers and then the access issues for the visitors, volunteers and the donors, which were critical to the success of the garden, in the case of this site there was the added advantage of being on the light rail system, and Mayor Parker stated she was aware they also looked at the old KBR site and Buffalo Bayou, and believed there was also a desire to have access to one of the small rivers that came through Houston, and Mr. Ross stated they looked at the old KBR site, but unfortunately they chose to sell it to the highest bidder and wanted to close in six months and neither one of those worked well for a non-profit, but the attraction of being on Buffalo Bayou and being on the East End were very interesting to them and he thought it got a lot of people on the East End interested, he believed their proposal was worthy of examination by the City. Council Members Pennington, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Costello, Mr. Ross stated it was their goal to have a long term lease for the use of the land, defined for the botanic garden, with the City as the underlying property owner, they were now seeking the City's thoughts on this matter. Council Members Pennington, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Council Member Martin stated that tomorrow they would be talking about Item No. 22, the Bayou Greenway initiative, did it not make sense to maybe incorporate an idea like this into that design development plan, and Mayor Parker stated that was an interesting idea, the Bayou Greenway Project was largely on existing narrow right-of-way along the bayou, in order to have what they were contemplating they needed more space, parking and a lot of other things and they did not currently have any land along the bayous that would be appropriate for that, that because the non profit had been looking for 10 years for the right site it was pretty fair to say that Mr. Ross was familiar with everything the City had, that she thought the reason that they might be looking at Gus Wortham was because it would be on a trail. Council Members Hoang, Pennington, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

After further discussion Council Member Martin moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of extending time for questions of Mr. Ross. Mayor Parker stated that there were not enough Council Members present to suspend the rules, however if there was no objection. Council Members Hoang, Pennington, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Costello, Mr. Ross stated that they were seeking a lease on the land, that he thought Phase 1 would be in the \$30 million to \$40 million, the mature gardens he had talked about had invested \$150 million plus in their botanic gardens, and Council Member Costello asked if that cost would also include a renovation of the remainder of the land, and Mr. Ross stated that they would need to visit with the City about creating the nine hole golf course and the building facilities for the nine hole golf course, and Mayor Parker stated at the botanic gardens expense, and Mr. Ross stated that was what they wanted to sit down and discuss, they understood the City did not have money for that. Council Members Hoang, Pennington, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Ms. Wendy Thiessen, 6660 Sylvan Rd., Houston, Texas 77035 (713-775-1443) appeared and read from a prepared statement that she was in favor of the creation of the botanic gardens at Gus Wortham, that in 2007 there was a proposal to turn Gus Wortham into soccer fields and a potential stadium and at that time she went door to door telling residents about the proposal and asking them to sign a petition against it, they overwhelmingly did, the proposal seemed to hold no benefits for East End residents, plus it would have had a negative impact on the environment, that she heard about the idea to create a botanical garden with a nine hole golf course at Gus Wortham, that knowing the potential positive impact this could have for the East End she again went door to door asking residents if they were aware of the proposal and would like to sign in support of it, that about 150 residents signed in support, from about 135 houses, that she had ten residents tell her no, that she supported the Houston Botanic Garden because she believed it would spur economic development in the East End, that the golf course had been in operation for over 100 years, but since the Houston Country Club moved to the other side of town in the 1950s it had done little to better the East End, other than provide an inexpensive place for golfers to occasionally play, that the course was in disrepair, a plan for improvements, which was estimated at \$9 million to \$10 million had raised less than \$100,000 since 2007. Council Members Davis, Hoang, Pennington, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Council Member Christi stated that he was approached by the Rice track coach and some of the high schools, the NCAA Cross Country was looking for a permanent site for their national cross country and pre Olympic trials, could they imagine a three mile course going around the edge of the golf course and through the botanical gardens, that it may be a financial add on to Jeff and his budget and he was sure they would put millions into getting a permanent site course, that it could be a three way win for the City of Houston. Council Members Davis, Hoang, Pennington, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Mayor Parker asked Council Member Christi if he had anything on those lines she would wish he would forward it to Mr. Andy Icken and probably a more productive discussion would be their sports complex on Highway 288 which already had a club house and a number of other things since it was set up for soccer. Council Members Davis, Hoang, Pennington, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Ms. Dorothy Olmos, 6678 Sylvan Rd., Houston 77023 (281-636-1058) appeared, presented information, and stated she believed the golf course needed to stay as is, they did need money to enhance it and make it beautiful because of the lack of communication from Council Members to Council Members for the past 20 years and had been neglected for too long, that the economic development sounded great, the botanical garden sounded great, but do not take away the 19th hole, that they had ethnic boys that went there, they practiced and did learn how to golf, they needed to educate their youth to be productive citizens and golf was not just for the rich, it was for everyone. Council Members Davis, Hoang, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Ms. Diane McDonald, 1810 Dunstan, Houston, Texas 77005 (713-523-3308) appeared and stated that she was Vice President of the Gus Wortham Woman's Golf Association so

obviously she was for keeping the golf course, they had a lot of ladies from all over the City who came and played golf there, that it was the oldest 18 hole golf course in the State of Texas, that for that reason alone they should keep it a golf course and not give it to the botanical gardens, that she was not opposed to the botanical gardens, she thought it was a great idea, but to destroy such a wonderful golf course with it's rich history would be a tragedy, that she noticed on tomorrow's agenda included Resolutions 14 through 17, which designated individual homes as historical landmarks, why could they not do the same designation to this true historic landmark, that Memorial Park was just getting ready to have a big renovation and she did not hear anybody suggesting that the golf course be divided half for botanical gardens and half for a nine hole golf course, it had a lot of acreage and they could have nice gardens there. Council Members Davis, Adams, Hoang, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Ms. Sylvia Medina, 1209 Elliston, Houston, Texas 77023 (281-702-7950) appeared and presented a handout and stated that she was President of the Eastwood Civic Association, they represented 19 neighborhoods with a total of 2,400 homes and several thousands residents, that on behalf of Eastwood and their sister neighborhoods she was present to express their support for the Houston Botanical Garden proposal, their community believed it was the best long term use of Gus Wortham, that Eastwood also encouraged the board and the Houston Botanic Gardens to be good stewards in their community and do right by the golfers in their community. Council Members Hoang, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Mayor Parker thanked Ms. McDonald for what she did as civic club president, and Ms. Thiessen, that many of them knew how much work it took, it was clearly a labor of love. Council Members Hoang, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Ms. Yvette Diaz, 6674 Rockbridge Ln., Houston, Texas 77023 (713-923-1814) appeared and stated that she had been to super neighborhood meeting where it was unanimous for the golf course, she had collected more than 500 signatures, that to destroy a historical golf course was a serous disaster, the botanical gardens would not succeed there, a nine hole golf course would not make any money, that Gus Wortham Golf Course did make money, that they felt like it was a huge mistake, that Gus Wortham was the heart of their community, it served 100 students from KIPP Academy who took golf lessons there every Tuesday and Thursday, that Jeff Davis, Milby and Austin High School Golf Teams practiced there, as TSU and U of H, that she could not emphasize to them how important it was to put some money into it, that in 2007 she was part of the committee that came to Council and spoke on behalf of Gus Wortham Golf Course, they were told "no worries", they would designate it historical, they did not do it. Council Members Hoang, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Upon questions by Council Members Davis, Christi and Laster, Ms. Diaz stated that the 500 signatures she had gotten them from people who lived in the East End, which was huge, that the petition said "Gus Wortham Golf Course is under threat by Jeff Ross and the Houston Botanic Garden who planned to reduce Gus Wortham to a nine hold golf course and eventually eliminate it, GWGC was not only a part golf course it was an environment for wild life in the East End green space, that they signed to preserve the golf course and were neighbors of the East End, that it was on going since August 2013, and Council Member Laster asked that she provide a copy of the petition to Council Members at some point and time. Council Members Hoang, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Council Member Laster asked Mayor Parker if they had any game plan or time line in which they would be hosting public hearings on this issue in the community so the community could have a more direct response to them, and Mayor Parker stated that this was a privately generated plan, not a City plan, and as such time as the board of the Houston Botanic Garden decided to come forward and make a formal proposal to the City they would go from there, that she had a number of conversations with Mr. Ross on a number of sites over the last four years

and on each site she had similar conversations, do their work and come back, and Council Member Laster stated was it safe that when they got to that point they would have some series of public hearings and meetings in the community, and Mayor Parker stated yes. Council Members Hoang, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Council Member Martin stated that one of the things they could look at was what Atlanta did with East Lake Development Corporation in East Lake Country Club, which was revitalized about 15 years ago and if Mr. Icken could study it he thought he could find some interesting similarities between what they had at Gus Wortham and what they had in Atlanta. Council Members Hoang, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Ms. Diaz further stated that the Master Plan said there was a restoration of Gus Wortham Golf Course, a historic treasure of Houston worth preserving. Council Members Hoang, Green, Burks and Noriega absent.

Ms. Linder Gatterson, (Private) – appeared and stated that she had been coming to Council for two years trying to get somebody to hear her, but when it came to election time they all flooded their mailboxes and flooded their phones wanting their support, but they could not support them, that she had been asking someone to look at the paperwork she had to prove that she was wrongfully laid off, and no one responded, that the Chief would not meet with her, that she had proof that she could be rehired but never had been, all they were doing was telling her to keep applying and they would get first priority, that had applied for every job she thought she could apply for; that she also tried to get help for her mom's house, she was 90 years old and had a lot of issues going on, that Brian came out and took pictures and said he was going to do this and that, the Habitat for Humanity came out and said if Brian could get someone they would donate the stuff and nothing happened. Mayor Parker, Council Members Hoang, Green, Costello, Burks and Noriega absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Council Member Davis stated there was only so much he could do as a Council Member, that they attempted and tried, that she mentioned that Mr. Smart came out and did his job, they were trying to push forward but were limited, they did not have the power to make people do things they would not do or different departments or public entities do the things they would like them to do, but they chose not to, they could only do so much, that he was sorry they could not come up with the outcomes that she wanted or desired on those two issues, but that was out of their hands, that they were going to continue to work with her and other members of District B. Mayor Parker, Council Members Hoang, Green, Costello, Burks and Noriega absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Mr. Steven Williams, No Address, No Phone, had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Hoang, Green, Costello, Burks and Noriega absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Mr. Ed Brown, 41 Rolling Wood Dr., Houston, Texas 77080 (713-365-9902) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Hoang, Green, Costello, Burks and Noriega absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

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

Mr./Coach R. J. Bobby Taylor, 3107 Sumpter, Houston, Texas 77026 (FA34511) had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Hoang, Green, Costello, Burks and Noriega absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford

presiding.

President Joseph Charles, Post Office Box 524373, Houston, Texas 77052-4373 (713-928-2871) appeared and stated that he was present to defend his case position of his constitutional rights of the U.S., that he had done so repeatedly, and continued to express his personal opinions until his time expired. Mayor Parker, Council Members Davis, Hoang, Green, Costello, Burks, Noriega and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Mr. Charles Mayfield, 6403 Country Club Dr., Houston, Texas 77023 (713-921-0238) appeared and stated that this past weekend he attended a community event where Executive Assistant Chief Michael Dirden spoke on various items that HPD was doing; that one of his comments was that HPD would no longer enforce the No Parking on Grass Ordinance, his neighborhood was one of the neighborhoods who applied for entrance into the program, filed all of the applications requirements, even went before an administrative committee because one resident did not like it, but they prevailed, now this Assistant Chief said no more enforcement, what was next, that the ordinance was legally enacted and they followed the rules. Mayor Parker, Council Members Davis, Hoang, Green, Costello, Burks, Noriega and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford stated they would look into the issue, he did not know why someone would say that, that they had his contact information and would look into it and call him a call back. Mayor Parker, Council Members Davis, Hoang, Green, Costello, Burks, Noriega and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Council Member Laster stated that they would be interested in knowing more about that because all of their districts had applicants for that program and if there was some sort of effort not to want to enforce that they all needed to know about it because it directly affected their neighborhoods. Mayor Parker, Council Members Davis, Hoang, Green, Costello, Burks, Noriega and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

Council Member Noriega stated that since it was in Council Member Rodriguez district she would encourage him to check in with his office. Mayor Parker, Council Members Davis, Hoang, Green, Costello, Burks, Noriega and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

At 3:16 p.m. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford stated the City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 9, 2013. Mayor Parker, Council Members Davis, Hoang, Green, Costello, Burks, Noriega and Christi absent. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bradford presiding.

The Houston City Council reconvened at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 9, 2013, with 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, Mike Laster, Larry V. Green, Stephen C. Costello, Andrew C. Burks, Jr., Melissa Noriega, C. O. "Brad" Bradford and Jack Christie, D. C.; Mr. David Feldman, City Attorney; and Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director, present. Council Member James G. Rodriguez out of the city on city business.

At 8:274 a.m. the City Secretary read the descriptions or captions of items on the Agenda.

At 9:09 a.m. Mayor Parker called the meeting to order, and stated there was no formal Mayor's Report this morning, but Council Members had asked repeatedly about the impact of the shut down at the Federal Government level, there was nothing to add to the memo they sent out last week, there were no immediate significant impacts at the City of Houston, there was an initial shut down of the air traffic control tower at Ellington, planes were still landing obviously

there, but they had added that position back in so it was operating normally, that as they indicated there were some imbedded federal employees, primarily in the Health Department, in the TB Program, who had been furloughed, but the TB Program was operating normally with City staff and they would keep them apprised if anything changes, that obviously if the shut down continues for a significant period of time they might become concerned about carrying the expenses of some of these programs that were on reimbursable grants, but at this point they were comfortable that they could handle the issues as they arose, if anybody has any questions they would be glad to follow up. Council Members Adams and Noriega absent.

MAYOR'S REPORT

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 40

MISCELLANEOUS - NUMBERS 1 through 4

1. REQUEST from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment of the following individuals to the **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FOUR, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (VILLAGE ENCLAVES) BOARD OF DIRECTORS**:

Position Three - **MARK B. ARNOLD**, for a term to expire December 31, 2014
Position Four - **GORDON J. QUAN**, for a term to expire December 31, 2014
Position Five - **BARRON F. WALLACE**, for a term to expire December 31, 2014;
and to serve as Chair for a term ending December 31, 2013
Position Six - **CLAUDE ANELLO**, for a term to expire December 31, 2014
Position Eight - **LAURA M. CAMARILLO**, for a term to expire December 31, 2013

- was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Members Adams and Noriega absent. MOTION 2013-0667 ADOPTED.

2. REQUEST from Mayor for confirmation of the reappointment of the following individuals to the **HARRIS COUNTY-HOUSTON SPORTS AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for terms to expire August 31, 2015:

Position Four - **MATTHEW ROGERS, JR.**
Position Five - **GREGORY D. COMPEAN**
Position Eleven - **STEPHEN M. FRAGA**

- was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Members Adams and Noriega absent. MOTION 2013-0668 ADOPTED.

3. REQUEST from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment of the following individuals to the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY FIVE (ALSO KNOWN AS THE HIRAM CLARKE/FORT BEND HOUSTON ZONE)**:

Position One - **ROSEMARY CAPETILLO**, for a term to expire August 13, 2015
Position Two - **THEADORE R. ANDREWS**, for a term to expire August 13, 2014;
and to serve as Chair for a term to expire December 31, 2013
Position Three - **GEORGE ANDERSON**, for a term to expire August 13, 2015
Position Four - **LINDA F. SCURLOCK**, for a term to expire August 13, 2014
Position Five - **HOMER L. CLARK**, for a term to expire August 13, 2015
Position Six - **KEVIN RILES**, for a term to expire August 13, 2014
Position Seven - **HORACE C. ALLISON**, for a term to expire August 13, 2015

- was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Members Adams and Noriega absent. MOTION 2013-0669 ADOPTED.

4. RECOMMENDATION from Director of Human Resources Department for approval of the Holiday Schedule for Calendar Years 2014 and 2015 - was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Members Adams and Noriega absent. MOTION 2013-0670 ADOPTED.

Mayor Parker stated they had just made a number of appointments to Boards and Commissions, first Reinvestment Zone No. 4, Village Enclaves, they had Mr. Claude Anello and Ms. Laura M. Camarillo present and thanked them for their willingness to serve, that it was always great to have citizens who were willing to step forward.

Mayor Parker stated that they also affirmed the reappointment of Mr. Greg Compean to the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority Board of Directors and stated she knew the sports authority had been very intimately involved in all of the new sporting activities that were coming into Houston, even those that took place fully on County property, such as the Grand Prix, obviously they were all excited about the upcoming super bowl, which they had a couple of years to get ready for, that they find more and more that the sports authority had become more of their sports marketing arm and they appreciated his service.

Mr. Compean thanked Mayor Parker and the City Council for their trust.

Council Members Gonzalez, Martin and Pennington congratulated Mr. Compean and thanked him for his service to the City of Houston.

Mayor Parker stated they had also affirmed the Board Members of Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 25, the Hiram Clarke/Fort Bend Reinvestment Zone, and congratulated the Board of Directors.

Council Members Green, Pennington, Laster and Adams congratulated the Board of Directors present and thanked them for their service to the City of Houston and Fort Bend, and Mayor Parker thanked them for agreeing to serve. Council Member Noriega absent.

ACCEPT WORK - NUMBERS 5 through 7

6. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$4,312,019.03 and acceptance of work on contract with **SER CONSTRUCTION PARTNERS, LLC** for Neighborhood Street Reconstruction Project 450 8.08% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICTS H - GONZALEZ and I - RODRIGUEZ** - was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. MOTION 2013-0671 ADOPTED.
7. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$1,706,174.76 and acceptance of work on contract with **MCKINNEY CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Water Line Replacement in Laura Koppe Area - 4.13% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT H - GONZALEZ** - was

presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. MOTION 2013-0672 ADOPTED.

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBERS 8 through 13

8. ORDINANCE appropriating \$225,950.00 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for the purchase of Ambulance Cabs & Chassis for the Houston Fire Department - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0889 ADOPTED.
- 8a. **CALDWELL AUTOMOTIVE PARTNERS LLC, dba CALDWELL COUNTRY CHEVROLET, LLC** for purchase of Ambulance Cabs & Chassis through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with Houston Galveston Area Council for the Houston Fire Department - was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. MOTION 2013-0673 ADOPTED.
11. ORDINANCE appropriating \$509,006.10 out of Reimbursement of Equipment/Projects Fund for Construction Services for Parking Lot Remediation for the Administration and Regulatory Affairs Department - **DISTRICT H - GONZALEZ** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0890 ADOPTED.
- 11a. **BASELINE PAVING AND CONSTRUCTION, INC** for purchase of Construction Services for Parking Lot Remediation through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Harris County Department of Education for the Administration and Regulatory Affairs Department \$442,614.00 and contingencies for a total amount not to exceed \$509,006.10 - **DISTRICT H - GONZALEZ** - was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. MOTION 2013-0674 ADOPTED.
13. **HD SUPPLY WATERWORKS, LTD** for PVC Gravity SDR-35 Sewer Pipe and Fittings for the Department of Public & Engineering - \$410,927.43 - Enterprise Fund - was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. MOTION 2013-0675 ADOPTED.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 14 through 40

14. RESOLUTION designating the Lena Meredith and Ada Carlton House located at 2144 Brentwood Drive within the City of Houston as a landmark and protected landmark - **DISTRICT G - PENNINGTON** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. RESOLUTION 2013-0045 ADOPTED.
15. RESOLUTION designating the Dr. and Mrs. Leonard A. Meyers House located at 3404 Piping Rock Lane within the City of Houston as a historic landmark - **DISTRICT G - PENNINGTON** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. RESOLUTION 2013-0046 ADOPTED.

16. RESOLUTION designating the Paul C. and Elizabeth Pernelle House located at 2417 Pelham Drive within the City of Houston as a historic landmark - **DISTRICT G - PENNINGTON** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. RESOLUTION 2013-0047 ADOPTED.
17. RESOLUTION designating the William H. and Florence Skipwith House located at 2155 Chilton Road within the City of Houston as a historic landmark - **DISTRICT G - PENNINGTON** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. RESOLUTION 2013-0048 ADOPTED.
20. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing lease agreement between the City of Houston and **SALVATORE AIR TRANSPORTATION CORP.**, for certain premises at William P. Hobby Airport; terminating lease Agreement No. 72069, by and between the City of Houston and Salvatore Air Transportation Corp. - **DISTRICT I - RODRIGUEZ** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0891 ADOPTED.
23. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing first amendment to a Food and Beverage Concession Agreement between the City of Houston and **THE HOUSTON PARKS BOARD** (approved by Ordinance No. 95-935) - **DISTRICT C - COHEN** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0892 ADOPTED.
24. ORDINANCE amending exhibit "A" of City of Houston Ordinance No. 90-1292 (as amended by City of Houston Ordinance No. 2013-582), to amend the Master Classification Ordinance to add four new job classifications; and delete seven job classifications; providing a repealer; providing for severability - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0893 ADOPTED.
25. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing a Subgrantee Agreement between the City of Houston and **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY** to accept FY2013 Port Security Grant Program Funding to strengthen critical infrastructure against terrorist attack; authorizing the Director of the Mayor's Office of Homeland Security to execute all related and necessary documents - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0894 ADOPTED.
27. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the submission of an application for grant assistance to the office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division for the Internet Crimes against Children Task Force: Houston-Metro, Texas-Legislative Funding - Personnel; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Chief of the Houston Police Department to act as the City's representative in the application process, to accept such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the program - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0895 ADOPTED.
28. ORDINANCE authorizing Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas, and **HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS**, relating to the Design, Construction, Operation and Maintenance of a Joint Radio Maintenance Facility at 2318 Greens Road, Houston, Texas - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez

out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0896 ADOPTED.

29. ORDINANCE awarding contract to **MCLEMORE BUILDING MAINTENANCE, INC** for Janitorial Cleaning and Associated Services for Various Departments managed by the General Services Department; providing a maximum contract amount \$11,254,426.83 - 3 years with two one-year options - General, Enterprise and Other Funds – had not been received, and the City Secretary announced it would be considered at the end of the Agenda if received during the meeting. Council Member Noriega absent.
30. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing a first amendment to the contract between the City of Houston and **CHARTER ROOFING COMPANY, INC** (approved by Ordinance No. 2008-0891) for Roof Repair/Replacement Services for the City of Houston - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0897 ADOPTED.
33. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 9.429 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 130**, for inclusion in its district - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0898 ADOPTED.
34. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 110.66 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 501**, for inclusion in its district - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0899 ADOPTED.
35. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 73.445 acres of land to **GRANT ROAD PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**, for inclusion in its district - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0900 ADOPTED.
37. ORDINANCE consenting to the creation **MONTGOMERY COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO 137** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0901 ADOPTED.
38. ORDINANCE appropriating \$404,705.00 out of Street and Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **GUNDA CORPORATION, LLC** for Wycliffe Drive (Chatterton to Metronome) drainage and paving improvements; providing funding for contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street and Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF - **DISTRICT A - BROWN** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0902 ADOPTED.
39. ORDINANCES granting to the following listed as A through J, the right, privilege and franchise to collect, haul and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions and making certain findings related thereto **FIRST READING** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0903 to 2013-912 PASSED FIRST READING IN FULL

CTJ VACUUM SERVICE, LLC, a Texas Limited Liability Company – 2013-903

GULF COAST WASTE SERVICES, LLC, a Texas Limited Liability Company – 2013-904

MAGNA-FLOW INTERNATIONAL, INC DBA MAGNA FLOW ENVIRONMENTAL, a Texas Corporation – 2013-905

JERRY BRUMFIELD DBA BRUMFIELD SANITATION SERVICES, a Texas Sole Proprietorship – 2013-906

CIMA SERVICES, L.P., a Texas Limited Partnership – 2013-907

SUN COAST RESOURCES, INC, a Texas Corporation – 2013-908

CAROL JEAN HARGET DBA SEPCO SEPTIC TANK SERVICES, a Texas Sole Proprietorship – 2013-909

HILL SAND COMPANY, INC DBA HILL WASTE SERVICE, a Texas Corporation – 2013-910

DARYL SHEPPEARD DBA ACE SEPTIC AND PLUMBING CO., a Texas Sole Proprietorship – 2013-911

USA GAIN ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC., a Texas Limited Liability Company – 2013-912

40. ORDINANCES Nos. 2013-861 to 2013-865, passed second reading October 2, 2013 for Ordinances granting to the following listed as A through E, the right, privilege and franchise to collect, haul and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions and making certain findings related thereto **THIRD AND FINAL READING** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. - ORDINANCES 2013-861 to 2013-865 ADOPTED THIRD AND FINAL READING IN FULL.

VEOLIA ES TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS, L.L.C., a Delaware Limited Liability Company - (2013-861)

WASTE CORPORATION OF TEXAS, L.P., a Delaware Limited Partnership - (2013-862)

BAY AREA VACUUM SERVICE, a Texas Limited Liability Company - (2013-863)

MZ TECH, INC. DBA UTS ENVIRONMENTAL, a Texas Corporation - (2013-864)

COAL CITY COB COMPANY INC., an Illinois Corporation - (2013-865)

MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA WERE CONSIDERED AS FOLLOWS:

ACCEPT WORK

5. RECOMMENDATION from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of \$9,347,198.12 and acceptance of work on contract with **GILBANE BUILDING COMPANY** for New Health Department Laboratory - 7.80% over the original Guaranteed Maximum Price and under the approved 12.52% contingency - **DISTRICT D – ADAMS** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Adams. Council Member Brown voting no, balance voting aye. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. MOTION 2013-0676 ADOPTED.

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS

9. **SANOVI PASTEUR, INC** for Yellow Fever Vaccine from State of Texas Procurement and Support Services Contract through the State of Texas Cooperative Purchasing Program for the Houston Department of Health & Human Services - \$59,110.80 - Health Special Revenue - was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council

Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. MOTION 2013-0677 ADOPTED.

10. **NOVARTIS VACCINES AND DIAGNOSTICS, INC** for Meningococcal Vaccine from State of Texas Procurement and Support Services Contract through the State of Texas Cooperative Purchasing Program for the Houston Department of Health & Human Services - \$138,720.00 Health Special Revenue – was presented. Council Member Noriega absent.

After discussion by Council Member Christi, Council Member Brown stated she would tag Item No. 10. Council Member Noriega absent.

12. **AMEND MOTION #2009-0517, 7/8/09, TO INCREASE** spending authority from \$218,720.14 to \$273,400.14 for Signposts and Associated Hardware for Department of Public Works & Engineering, awarded to **ALLIED TUBE AND CONDUIT CORPORATION** - \$201,721.00 Enterprise Fund – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Costello. Council Member Noriega absent.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

18. RESOLUTION amending Resolution No. 2013-40 approving and authorizing the nomination of **S J MEDICAL CENTER, LLC** to the Office of the Governor Economic Development & Tourism through the Economic Development Bank as an Enterprise Project - **DISTRICT I – RODRIGUEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. RESOLUTION 2013-0049 ADOPTED.
19. RESOLUTION amending Resolution No. 2013-44 approving and authorizing the nomination of **CHCA WOMAN’S HOSPITAL, L.P.** to the Office of the Governor Economic Development & Tourism through the Economic Development Bank as an Enterprise Project - **DISTRICT K - GREEN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. RESOLUTION 2013-0050 ADOPTED.
21. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **Michael J. McBrady et al. dba IMAGETREND, INC** for Data Collection and Management Software and related services for the Houston Fire Department; establishing a maximum contract amount - \$3,012,182.00 - 4 years with four one-year renewal options - General Fund – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Noriega absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0913 ADOPTED.
22. ORDINANCE authorizing and approving Economic Development Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas and the **HOUSTON PARKS BOARD, INC** to provide for maintenance of the Bayou Greenways; establishing an economic development program in connection therewith - was presented.

After discussion by Council Member Pennington, Council Member Gonzalez stated that he would tag Item No. 22.

26. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing a first amendment to an agreement between the City of Houston and **THE SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION** for Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Planning, Training, and Exercise Services (approved by Ordinance No. 2013-0123); amending the same Ordinance 2013-0123 to

establish a maximum contract amount - \$146,785.00 - Grant Fund – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Brown.

31. ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2012-764 (passed on August 29, 2012) to establish a maximum contract amount to the agreement between the City of Houston and **GENESYS WORKS HOUSTON**; approve and authorize an amendment to the contract to include an intern classification \$100,000.00 - General Fund – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. ORDINANCE 2013-0914 ADOPTED.
32. ORDINANCE appropriating \$509,000.00 out of General Improvement Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation; approving an amendment to the Design Build Agreement between the City of Houston and **BALFOUR BEATTY CONSTRUCTION LLC** (approved by Ordinance 2012-992) for Houston HTV Municipal Channel Renovation - **DISTRICT I - RODRIGUEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. ORDINANCE 2013-0915 ADOPTED.
36. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 2.84 acres of land to **SPRING CREEK UTILITY DISTRICT**, for inclusion in its district – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Member Costello absent. ORDINANCE 2013-0916 ADOPTED.

NON CONSENT AGENDA - NUMBERS 41 and 42

MISCELLANEOUS

41. REVIEW on the record and make determination relative to the appeal from the decision of the General Appeals Board, filed by Pakorn Srilamsingha, regarding a manufactured home hardship permit based on security on property located at 14121 Hiram Clarke Road – was presented.

Council Member Green moved to uphold the decision of the General Appeals Board and deny the appeal, seconded by Council Member Burks. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. MOTION 2013-0678 ADOPTED.

42. **SET A PUBLIC HEARING DATE** regarding the second amendment to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for Reinvestment Zone Number Fourteen (Fourth Ward Zone) **DISTRICT C – COHEN - SUGGESTED HEARING DATE - 9:00 A.M. - WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 23, 2013** – was presented.

Council Member Gonzalez moved to set a public hearing for 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 23, 2013, regarding the second amendment to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for Reinvestment Zone Number Fourteen (Fourth Ward Zone), seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. MOTION 2013-0679 ADOPTED.

MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 43 and 44

43. RECOMMENDATION from Director Houston Information Technology Services for approval of Change Order No. 9 for contract with **SAP PUBLIC SERVICES INC** for purchase of Strategy Management Software Module for Various Departments in the amount of ~~\$261,188.00~~ \$152,000.00 - General and Central Services Chargeback Funds – **(This was Item 2 on Agenda of October 2, 2013, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GREEN)** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council

Member Pennington.

After discussion by Council Members Burks and Green, a vote was called on the motion to adopt Item No. 43. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. MOTION 2013-0680 ADOPTED.

44. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the submission of an application for grant assistance to the **NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE**, pursuant to the FY2013 DNA Backlog Reduction Program, to fund training, technical review and technology to build capacity in the area of DNA testing; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the chief of the Houston Police Department to act as the City's representative in the application process, to accept such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the program – **(This was Item 14 on Agenda of October 2, 2013, TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BRADFORD)** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. ORDINANCE 2013-0917 ADOPTED.

MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Costello announced events he attended or would be attending. Council Member Hoang absent.

Mayor Parker stated that she wanted to acknowledge the City employees who participated in the Tough Mudder on Saturday, it was a combination obstacle course and run, and yes they came back covered with mud but they raised money for the Wounded Warrior Project, and she thought there were about a dozen City employees altogether who participated and she wanted to thank them for doing that. Council Member Hoang absent.

Council Member Gonzalez stated that he wanted to mention the passing of Ms. Ora B. Jackson, mother of District H community leader Ms. Natasha Johnson and would truly be missed, that his condolences were with her entire family; and announced events he attended or would be attending; and stated that the \$9.3 million Airline Drive Reconstruction Project was beginning in District H, it had been very much needed and wanted by constituents in the area, it was a heavily traveled road, that the major infrastructure project would rebuild Airline Drive from North Main to the North Loop and substantial completion was expected in 2015; that he was a Texan fan and in light of some of the recent news he thought it was important for them as leaders to sometimes speak the truth to some things, he was as frustrated as any sports fan with the recent performance of the team, but they had to put it in perspective, it was just a sport, just a game, their fans were better than that, they needed to keep it classy, there was a certain thing about crossing the line and the recent stories they were hearing were disturbing. Council Members Brown and Hoang absent.

Council Member Noriega stated they still had the Cougars, they were doing well and would be in town on Saturday at the Dynamo Stadium; that Carnegie Vanguard High School was doing a run of the Rocky Horror Picture Show and her son was in the chorus. Council Members Brown and Hoang absent.

Council Member Pennington announced events he attended or would be attending; and stated the traffic issue and the use of big data, consider their problems, most of them had heard him talk about the fact that in District G they had about 215,000 jobs and 92% of the people who had those jobs did not live there, and also the people who lived there, another 100,000 jobs, were going elsewhere, which created a tremendous traffic jam, that did affect the enjoyment of the area by the residents and create traffic hazards, that he did not have specific programs to recommend other than shining a light on it and trying to determine where the worst problems

were and try to relieve those if they possibly could, that he thought it was a very important issue. Council Members Brown, Hoang and Noriega absent.

Council Member Green stated he wanted to again congratulate the new Board of Directors for TIRZ No. 25 and thanked Mayor Parker for allowing them to move forward; and announced events he attended or would be attending. Council Members Brown, Hoang and Noriega absent.

Council Member Davis announced events he attended or would be attending. Council Members Brown, Hoang and Noriega absent.

Council Member Cohen announced events she attended or would be attending. Council Members Brown, Hoang and Noriega absent.

Council Member Burks announced events he attended or would be attending. Council Members Brown, Hoang and Noriega absent.

Mayor Parker stated she was glad Council Member Burks mentioned Memorial Park looked good because there had been some chatter around Memorial Park. Council Members Brown, Hoang and Noriega absent.

Council Member Martin announced events he attended or would be attending. Council Members Brown, Hoang and Noriega absent.

Council Member Laster announced events he attended or would be attending. Council Members Brown, Hoang and Noriega absent.

There being no further business before Council, the City Council adjourned at 9:47 a.m. Council Member Rodriguez out of the city on city business. Council Members Brown, Hoang and Noriega absent.

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

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED

/S/Anna Russell

Anna Russell, City Secretary