

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Wednesday, November 6, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, November 6, 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. Dave Feldman, City Attorney; Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director, and Ms. Stella Ortega, Agenda Office, present. Council Member Melissa Noriega absent due to being ill.

At 8:29 a.m. the City Secretary read the descriptions or captions of items on the Agenda.

At 9:13 a.m. Mayor Parker called the meeting to order and stated that she was glad that yesterday was behind them, that some of them had another election to go, but there clearly would be some changes coming to the Houston City Council in the future, but there was still a lot of work to do before the end of the year, and recognized Council Member Burks for the invocation pledge of allegiance. Council Member Bradford absent.

Mayor Parker recognized Council Member Burks for the invocation and pledge of allegiance. Council Member Bradford absent.

At 9:15 a.m. the City Secretary called the roll. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. Council Member Bradford absent.

Council Members Gonzalez and Hoang moved that the minutes of the preceding meeting be adopted. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. Council Member Bradford absent. MOTION ADOPTED.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Parker stated that every agenda they had a Mayor's Report scheduled and she actually had a brief Mayor's Report and would deliver it from the podium, that the City of Houston was one of the few cities in the United States that had a person dedicated to looking out for the needs of veterans in the community, veterans who worked for the City of Houston, but looking out for the broader veterans community, that this was not a position she created, it actually began under the previous Mayor, Bill White, but a good idea needed to be carried forward, they had one of the largest veterans populations in the United States in the broader Houston area and that surprised a lot of folks because they did not have a big base in Houston, but Texas sends more men and women into the military than any other State, and they may come from small towns in Texas, but when they muster out many of them came back home and gravitated to the Houston region, in addition, because of their economy they had attracted veterans from many other parts of America as well, that having all of those veterans in Houston provided them with opportunities, but it also provided them with challenges, and more than ever it was important to have someone on their team who could make sure they better integrated their returning veterans to a better job, with those veterans of previous military engagements and previous service who were struggling and to just help build the economy in Houston, that as they all knew Monday was Veterans Day and while a lot of other cities dropped their Veterans Day activities over the years, Houston had kept a strong tradition, they did a Veterans Day Ceremony every year on the 11th month, 11th day, 11th hour, and they had continued their tradition of Veterans Day Parades.

Mayor Parker stated that she was going to ask Mr. Buddy Grantham and Mr. Carl Salazar to the podium, that it was important to say that she hoped all Council Members would participate in the Veterans Day observance next Monday, which was a holiday, but knew elected officials

did not recognize holidays, they were just a different kind of work day for many of them and hoped they would be present, that Mr. Grantham had served their Country well, but had served the City of Houston well as the Director of Veterans issues, that many of them knew that Buddy had an unfortunate accident a few months ago, April 27, 2013, he dropped his motorcycle on his leg and shattered his leg and was off of work for a long time, but even prior to that Buddy had talked to her about wanting to serve the City of Houston in a different way, that he believed there were able replacements out there for him in the office of Veterans Affairs and that he wanted to use his military training, his logistical skills to serve the City of Houston, and in thanks to him for his exemplary service to the City of Houston and the veterans of the community she wanted to thank Buddy Grantham for his service, that he had recently accepted the position of Assistant Director in the Fleet Management Department, they were working on that position when he had his accident, so it had delayed the transition a little bit, but they would not have the Veterans Program they had today without Buddy's help, they would not have been so successful in their Housing Homeless Veterans Program, which was receiving National attention, and when it came time to replace Buddy they literally received resumes from all over the United States, there was no replacement for Buddy Grantham and offered a proclamation in honor of his service, and stated that therefore she, Annise Parker, Mayor of the City of Houston, hereby proclaimed November 6, 2013 as E.A. Buddy Grantham Day in Houston, Texas.

Mr. Grantham stated that obviously there were a lot of people that behind whose shoulders he stood on, both from his military training days, who helped develop him into who he was, but none as important in his life as his wife Julie, and asked that she join him at the podium, that they say behind every man was a great woman, and he was absolutely no exception, that he would not be where he was today without Julie; that the veterans office had meant the world to him, it had been a mission, a nights errand and he had thoroughly enjoyed every moment of it and building it, but he could not have built it without the community, it was the community that stepped forward, brought on programs, and had done above and beyond, there were a large number of those present today and asked that they stand and be recognized; that they also had a Nationally recognized Veteran Behavioral Initiative that they had team with the Mental Health America of Grater Houston; that when he received the mission they said to go make Houston the best place for veterans to live, they had continually been recognized as one of the top cities, and just last week USAA, in combination with the Untied States Chamber of Commerce, did a large expansive survey and they ranked Houston the number one place for veterans to live, they had that affirmation, and that did not happen without the community and the political support of the City, that all of them, at one time or another, had been part of a veteran activity, whether at Ellington, a change of command, a program to help the homeless, a Veterans Day celebration in a small community, the collection for cards and foods and services that Council Member Gonzalez did, and above and beyond all, the time that Mayor Parker had spent for veterans of all eras, all economics, all cultures, she had greatly stepped forward for their military and veterans and he could ask for absolutely no better boss, his honorary Colonel, Mayor Parker, that he had been glad to be the servant to carry the load.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez, Council Members Burks, Adams, Laster, Christi and Pennington thanked Mr. Grantham for his service to the City of Houston, and for building the Veterans Department and for all he does for Veterans. Council Member Rodriguez absent.

Mr. Grantham stated there was a mentor among them, who from the first week in the office, pulled him aside, had given him advice, periodically they would go out to one of the tables at the City Hall Annex and talk, and now that he was back over there he had already had two of those and looked forward to more, and that was Ms. Anna Russell, City Secretary, that she had been a guiding force on how to get things done within the City and he appreciated her. Council Member Rodriguez absent.

Mayor Parker stated that as she asked Mr. Salazar to stand with her as they honored

Mr. Grantham she wanted to do the handoff because there was always another man or woman up in their service, they kept filling the line and she wanted to introduce to the City and the City Council the next Director of Veterans Affairs for the City of Houston, Mr. Carl Salazar, that as she had said they received resumes from all across the United States, Carl had an impressive background, he signed up at 17 years of age, his mother had to sign for him, that touched her, her Dad and his brothers as soon as they hit 17 years of age they went down to the recruiting office, but Mr. Salazar decided he was officer material, and other people must have decided as well because he attended the United States Naval Academy, that he was from Santa Fe, New Mexico, and she asked him if he joined the Navy because he wanted to see the ocean for the first time, that he also received a Masters Degree in Strategic Management from the University of Chicago, a Bachelor of Engineering from the United States Naval Academy, that he served in the US Navy from 1989 to 1995 and had been in the non profit world and in private consulting since then, he brought a passion for Veterans Affairs and wanted them to have an opportunity to see him and the formal handoff.

Mr. Salazar stated that he wanted to thank Buddy, when he was starting a non-profit a few years ago it was a couple of very brief phone calls that he got from Buddy and some encouragement to keep going, that he was just a vet out in the world with a good idea, he did not know anything about non-profit management, that it would have been easy to quit, but were it not for Buddy promoting the community and helping build something, he knew he would not be here today, that he wanted to thank Mayor Parker, he was really happy with the results last night, he had been looking forward to working with her, that he looked forward to the initiatives the Mayor had, things that were important, carrying those forward, but they also talked about putting a new spin and taking the office to a new level, that he looked forward to using Buddy's expertise as much as he could and learning a lot from the people he worked with now and just continuing to build the community, that he did know something about building communities and looked forward to working with them, and meeting with them individually and working with them as a team, that it was an honor and a privilege to serve his Country and it an honor and a privilege to serve veterans and their families, that homelessness, joblessness and mental health, all of these things were things they were going to work on, every day that he would come to work would be with the hope of helping some veteran out there making his or her life better, and their family members.

Mayor Parker stated that she hoped Council Members would join her for their veterans activities on Veterans Day, they would have a Veterans Job Fair by the reflecting pool that day, as well as the ceremony, and then the parade, in addition there were activities at Minute Maid Park, so it was a full day of salutes to veterans, they would have a public session and recognized Council Member Gonzalez for a procedural motion.

Council Member Gonzalez moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of considering Item Numbers 1, 2 and 3 at this time, seconded by Council Member Green. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0712 ADOPTED.

1. REQUEST from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **HARRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 4 (ENERGY CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT DISTRICT) BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for terms to expire 6/1/2017:
 - Position One - **SEAN M. TACKETT**, appointment
 - Position Two - **D. BRUCE FINCHER**, appointment
 - Position Three - **STEVE MOSKOWITZ**, reappointment
 - Position Four - **PETER D. JOHNSTON**, reappointment
 - Position Five - **DAVID W. HIGHTOWER**, reappointment

- was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Pennington. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0713 ADOPTED.

Mayor Parker stated that they had just appointed and re-appointed members of Harris County Improvement District No. 4, Energy Corridor Management District, and asked if there was anyone present who was serving on the board, and stated that she did not see anyone.

2. REQUEST from Mayor for confirmation of the reappointment of **MARVIN J. HAMILTON** to the **INDEPENDENT POLICE OVERSIGHT BOARD** for a term to expire 5/1/2016 - was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Adams. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0714 ADOPTED.

Mayor Parker stated that they had just confirmed the reappointment of Mr. Marvin Hamilton to the Independent Police Oversight Board, and asked if Mr. Hamilton was present, and stated that she did not see him.

3. REQUEST from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER THIRTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (OLD SIXTH WARD AREA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**
 - Position Three - **CLAUDE ANELLO**, reappointment, for a term to expire 12/31/2014; and to serve as Chair for a term to expire 12/31/2013
 - Position Four - **CHRIS SILKWOOD**, appointment, for a term to expire 12/31/2014
 - Position Five - **CYNTHIA CARD**, reappointment, for a term to expire 12/31/2014
 - Position Six - **ANN GUERCIO**, reappointment, for a term to expire 12/31/2013
 - Position Seven - **JASON KEITH JOHNSON**, appointment, for a term to expire 12/31/2013

- was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0715 ADOPTED.

Mayor Parker stated that they had just confirmed the appointed and re-appointed of members of Reinvestment Zone Number Thirteen, (Old Sixth Ward), and asked if any of the appointees were present and asked that they come forward, and stated that Mr. Jason Johnson was a new appointee and she appreciated his service and thanked him for taking the time for coming and thanked him for his service to the Old Six Ward area.

Mr. Johnson stated that he was very honored and humbled for the appointment and looked forward to serving the City and his community.

At 9:46 a.m. Mayor Parker stated they would move to the public session.

Mr. Shannon Fossee, 13110 Indianapolis St., Houston, Texas 77015 – 832-907-6426 – had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called.

Ms. Olivia Reiner, 449 Briar Hollow, No. 302, Houston, Texas 77027 – 713-829-0899 – appeared, presented information and stated that she wanted to thank Mayor Parker, and read a scripture, and stated that she had met Mayor Parker at the Hispanic Women Awards, that the most important thing of their campaign was to work together with the City and all business people in the City of Houston and listen to the cries of every child out there, not only the little children but every one of them was crying out for help, that she wanted to challenge every businessman, every church and every leader to work with them, that they had been working with the homeless and the veterans, they had 300 youth who had been trained to go out to the parks at night and pickup the trash that had been left behind by the homeless. Council Member

Hoang absent.

Mayor Parker thanked Ms. Reiner and stated that they all had her information. Council Member Hoang absent.

Mr. Jorge Corona, 114 Estelle, Houston, Texas 77003 – 281-684-8928 – 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. John Cieslewicz, 1250 DuBarry, Houston, Texas 77018 (no phone) appeared, passed out information which he read from regarding the Astrodome, carpet baggers, and history of his reporting of a swale that drained storm water from his and his neighbors backyards.

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.

Mr. Michael Clark, 1810 Bissonnet, Houston, Texas 77005 – 713-523-7130 – appeared and congratulated Mayor Parker on her reelection, and stated that he had three items, two that would improve safety in Houston and one that would improve the efficiency of recycling; he displayed a paper compost bag, which was rejected by the City, that he spoke with the City representative, Angelica, and she explained why, that paper had been tried in the past and people were putting materials that damaged the equipment, so they had to go with the alternative bags, translucent bags, which decomposed while in the box, they tear them out and they rip apart, and suggested that they find an alternative because people were not recycling their yard waste like they could be if they made it more user friendly; that second, bicycle safety, he and his wife driving around at night fairly regularly saw people without any kind of lights or reflectors and dark clothing, they had almost run over people, and his proposal was not that they increase the regulations, there were already regulations in place in the City, and suggested that the City fund a citywide campaign to get bicyclists to voluntarily put peer pressure on one another to put lights on, reflectors on and wear light clothing or reflective clothing.

Mayor Parker stated that it was a great idea about the bicyclists, one of the reasons they were working with Critical Mass, which were a lot of the bike riders in Houston, was to try to convince them to put peer pressure on each other to clean up their act.

Council Member Cohen stated that everyone was given three minutes, and if he would like to finish, briefly, his comments, she would offer him her time, and Mr. Clark stated the third item was concerning fire safety, that he had spoken to one of the fire chiefs about what their role was in determining whether a building was fire safe, and whether a fire could be put out quickly and efficiently, that he had been led by a lawyer to the conclusion if a building met code the Fire Department automatically signed off on it, and the fire chief said no, the Fire Department had to deal with whatever they were presented with, if there was a fire in a building they had no say over how it was constructed or how easily it was to put out, and reviewed an example of a trust construction, that his point was two fold, a suggestion if there was a complicated or new difficult type of building, that the local captain be authorized to at least look at the plans and say if they could put out a fire in the building, and second, he suggested that the City impose a requirement that the fire captains put together a plan that said how they were going to deal with emergencies in their covered districts.

Mayor Parker stated that there was a fire review of building permits and she assured him that did happen, and those who were assigned to local fire stations were expected to have a good understanding of what the conditions were in their area and a plan for how they would

fight fires in the various buildings in their assigned area.

Council Member Christi asked Mr. Clark to tell him what they did not like about the paper bag that was biodegradable, and Mr. Clark stated the bag said compostable, so the bag would deteriorate appropriately, but what they said was that people were putting inappropriate items into the bag, maybe metal or other things, that tore up the thrashing equipment, that it was for yard waste, they could not see what was inside these kind of bags, and that made sense.

Ms. Gretchen Gant Hollingsworth, 320 Hamilton, No. 327, Houston, Texas 77002 – had reserved time to speak, but was not present when her name was called.

Ms. Bridget Alexander McDaniel, Post Office Box 53993, Houston, Texas 77052 – 713-987-3854 – appeared, congratulated Mayor Parker on her re-election and all of the other Council Members, and stated that the situation with the Metro Police was still continuing, and also with the Police Department, it was still continuing, that she was still homeless, that Metro was still filing false complaints with HPD, moving her around, and she still could not find out who she was supposed to receive the money from, they kept saying she was Mexican.

Mr. Jerry Wade, 737 Green Meadow, Houston, Texas 77091 – 713-876-8785 - had reserved time to speak, but was not present when his name was called.

Ms. Jessica Wilt, 714 E. 24th St., Houston, Texas 77008 - had reserved time to speak, but was not present when her name was called.

President Joseph Charles, Post Office Box 524373, Houston, Texas 77052-4373 (713-928-2871) - appeared and requested more time, that they had just gone through a City Mayor election, and continued to express his personal opinions until his time expired.

Council Member Davis stated that it was good seeing President Charles out in the community, and President Charles stated he was requesting more time, and Council Member Davis stated they did not have more time, but it was good seeing him out yesterday.

At 10:06 a.m. Mayor Parker stated they would return to the consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 4 through 55

ACCEPT WORK - NUMBERS 4 through 9

4. RECOMMENDATION from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of \$124,950.00 and acceptance of work on contract with **AAR INCORPORATED** for Asbestos Abatement and Demolition at HPD Jail Building - **DISTRICT H – GONZALEZ** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0716 ADOPTED.
7. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$2,447,443.02 and acceptance of work on contract with **CALCO CONTRACTING, LTD** for Water Line Replacement in Polk Area - 3.97% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICTS D - ADAMS; H - GONZALEZ and I - RODRIQUEZ** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0717 ADOPTED.

9. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$2,429,768.47 and acceptance of work on contract with **INDUSTRIAL TX CORP.** for Sims Bayou North Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements - Blower Building 9.36% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT I - RODRIQUEZ** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0718 ADOPTED.

PROPERTY - NUMBERS 11 through 15

11. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering, reviewed and approved by the Joint Referral Committee, on request from Luis Valencia, Benchmark Engineering Corporation, on behalf of 4310 Dunlavy, LLC, (Josef Marom, Manager), for abandonment and sale of Portsmouth Street, from Woodhead Street east to its terminus, in exchange for conveyance to the City of a variable-width sanitary sewer easement, both located within the Richwood Subdivision, out of Great Lot 3 of the O. Smith Survey, Parcels SY13-082, and DY14-001 - **DISTRICT C - COHEN** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0719 ADOPTED.
13. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering, reviewed and approved by the Joint Referral Committee, on request from Bobby L. Stokes, President of LP 610 East, Inc., for abandonment and sale of Tarver Street from its terminus west to Fulmer Street, out of the John Austin Survey, A-1, Parcels SY13-079 and SY13-099 - **DISTRICT H - GONZALEZ** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0720 ADOPTED.
14. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering, reviewed and approved by the Joint Referral Committee, on request from Van Tot Nguyen and Thu Anh Nguyen, declining the acceptance of, rejecting, and refusing the dedication of Charles Street, from Clark Street east to its terminus, located within the Rittenhouse Place Subdivision, out of the H & T.C.R.R. Co. Survey, A-1016, Parcel SY13-052 - **DISTRICT H - GONZALEZ** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0721 ADOPTED.
15. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for relocation assistance payments for Parcel AY10-232, located at 9807 Fulton, acquired from Richard L. Pfirman for the **FULTON STREET PAVING AND DRAINAGE PROJECT from East Tidwell to East Parker** - **DISTRICT H - GONZALEZ** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0722 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 20 through 55

20. ORDINANCE enlarging the boundaries of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FOURTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (FOURTH WARD ZONE)** - **DISTRICT C - COHEN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0979 ADOPTED.
- 20a. ORDINANCE approving a second amended Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FOURTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON,**

TEXAS (FOURTH WARD ZONE); authorizing the City Secretary to distribute such plans - **DISTRICT C - COHEN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0980 ADOPTED.

21. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SIX, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (EASTSIDE ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICTS E - MARTIN and I - RODRIGUEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0981 ADOPTED.
22. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **GULFGATE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER EIGHT, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (GULFGATE ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget for the Authority **DISTRICT I - RODRIGUEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0982 ADOPTED.
23. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **SOUTH POST OAK REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER NINE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (SOUTH POST OAK ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget for the Authority - **DISTRICT K - GREEN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0983 ADOPTED.
24. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (LAKE HOUSTON ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget and the Fiscal Years 2014-2018 Capital Improvement Projects Budget for the Zone **DISTRICT E - MARTIN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0984 ADOPTED.
26. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **FIFTH WARD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER EIGHTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (FIFTH WARD ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2014-2018 Capital Improvement Projects Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and H - GONZALEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0985 ADOPTED.
27. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-ONE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (HARDY/NEAR NORTHSIDE ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget the Fiscal Years 2014-2018 Capital Improvement Projects Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and H - GONZALEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0986 ADOPTED.
28. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **LELAND WOODS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF ON REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-TWO, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (LELAND WOODS ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICT B - DAVIS** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0987 ADOPTED.
32. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing a contract between the City of Houston and **EBSCO INDUSTRIES, INC. D/B/A EBSCO INFORMATION SERVICES** for Periodicals,

Serials and Newspaper Subscription Services for the Houston Public Library; providing a maximum contract amount - \$3,000,000.00 - 5 years with two one-year options - General Fund – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0988 ADOPTED.

33. ORDINANCE appropriating \$31,421.00 out of Parks Special Fund (4012) relating to a purchase and sale agreement between Upper Kirby Redevelopment Authority (the “Authority”), seller, and the City of Houston, Texas (the “City”), buyer, for approximately 2.839 acres of land located at the intersection of Wake Forest St. and Richmond Ave., and a Purchase and sale agreement between the Authority, Buyer, and the City, Seller, for the sale by the city of approximately 2.1748 acres of land located at the intersection of Eastside St. and Richmond Ave.; in connection with the reconfiguration of Levy Park - **DISTRICT C - COHEN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0989 ADOPTED.
35. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the submission of an application for grant assistance to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), for the FY2013 Cops Hiring Program for the Houston Police Department; 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 Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0990 ADOPTED.
36. ORDINANCE appropriating \$772,000.00 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for the purchase of Equipment, Software and Services for the Police Operational System Refresh and Disaster Recovery Site for the Houston Police Department – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0991 ADOPTED.
37. ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,428,058.89 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for the purchase of Capital Equipment for the Houston Fire Department – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0992 ADOPTED.
44. ORDINANCE finding and determining public convenience and necessity for the acquisition of real property interests in connection with the public improvement project known as the Southwest Pump Station Improvements Project; authorizing the acquisition of permanent easements in and to 2 Parcels of land required for the project and situated in the William White Survey, Abstract No. 836 and the M. B. Gray Survey, Abstract No. 284; 1 Parcel of land being out of a tract of land conveyed to Holmes Family Properties by Carolyn Russell Holmes by deed dated July 1, 1996 and of record under Harris County Clerk’s File Number S012547; and the other Parcel of land being out of a tract of land conveyed to Ralph S. Marks by J. P. Boone and Margaret Boone by deed dated May 23, 1976 and of record under Harris County Clerk’s File Number F609990 in Houston, Harris County, Texas, by gift, dedication, purchase and the use of eminent domain and further authorizing payment of the costs of such purchases and/or eminent domain proceedings and associated costs for Relocation Assistance, Appraisal Fees, Title Policies/Services, Recording Fees, Court Costs, and Expert Witness Fees in connection with the acquisition of a permanent easement in and to the 2 Parcels of land required for the project **DISTRICT G - PENNINGTON** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0993 ADOPTED.

45. ORDINANCE consenting to addition of 4.994 acres of land to **MEADOWHILL REGIONAL MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**, for inclusion in its district – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0994 ADOPTED.
48. ORDINANCE issuing a permit to **MONUMENT PIPELINE, LP** to operate, maintain, improve, repair and replace five existing pipelines in certain portions of specified public street rights-of-way and prescribing the conditions and provisions under which the permit is issued - **DISTRICTS A - BROWN; D - ADAMS; E - MARTIN; F - HOANG and K - GREEN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0995 ADOPTED.
49. ORDINANCE issuing a permit to **TENNESSEE GAS PIPELINE COMPANY, L.L.C.** to operate, maintain, improve, repair and replace four existing pipelines in certain portions of specified public street rights-of-way and prescribing the conditions and provisions under which the permit is issued **DISTRICT A - BROWN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0996 ADOPTED.
50. ORDINANCE issuing a permit to **VALERO REFINING-TEXAS, L.P.** to operate, maintain, improve, repair and replace three existing pipelines in certain portions of specified public street rights-of-way and prescribing the conditions and provisions under which the permit is issued **DISTRICT E - MARTIN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0997 ADOPTED.
53. ORDINANCE appropriating \$848,577.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF as an additional appropriation to Professional Engineering Services contract between the City of Houston and **URS CORPORATION** for West Alabama Paving and Drainage; Wesleyan to Buffalo Speedway (Subproject 1) (approved by Ordinance No. 2009-0334); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by Metro Projects Construction DDSRF **DISTRICT C - COHEN** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0998 ADOPTED.
54. ORDINANCE appropriating \$4,464,900.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **BOYER, INC** for Southwest Pump Station Valve Replacement Phase 3 and Richmond 66-inch Water Line 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 engineering testing, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS C - COHEN; D - ADAMS and G - PENNINGTON** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-0999 ADOPTED.
55. ORDINANCES Nos. 2013-930 to 2013-942, passed second reading October 23, 2013 for Ordinances granting to the following listed as A through M, 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 Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE Numbers 2013-930 to 2013-942 ADOPTED THIRD AND FINAL READING IN FULL.
A. **STERICYCLE, INC**, a Delaware Corporation - (2013-930)

- B. **ENSOURCE CORPORATION**, a Texas Corporation - **(2013-931)**
- C. **MILLENNIUM PROJECT SOLUTIONS, INC**, a Texas Corporation - **(2013-932)**
- D. **EXCELL DISPOSAL WASTE CONTAINERS, INC**, a Texas Corporation - **(2013-933)**
- E. **SAN MARCOS GREASE SERVICE, LLC**, a Texas Limited Liability Company - **(2013-934)**
- F. **PULIDO TRUCKING, L.P.**, a Texas Limited Partnership - **(2013-935)**
- G. **CHERRY CONCRETE REMOVAL, LTD**, a Texas Limited Partnership - **(2013-936)**
- H. **TEXAS WATER MANAGEMENT, LLC**, a Texas Limited Liability Company - **(2013-937)**
- I. **GAINSBOROUGH CORPORATION DBA GAINSBOROUGH WASTE**, a Texas Corporation **(2013-938)**
- J. **ADAM H. BELMONT DBA BETO'S HYDRO AND SANITATION**, a Texas Sole Proprietorship - **(2013-939)**
- K. **GARNER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC**, a Texas Corporation - **(2013-940)**
- L. **HIPPO WASTE SYSTEMS, LLC**, a Texas Limited Liability Company - **(2013-941)**
- M. **A-VAC SEPTIC SERVICE, LLC**, a Texas Limited Liability Company - **(2013-942)**

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 \$1,238,020.00 and acceptance of work on contract with **TEAL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY** for 9903 N. Main Building C Renovation - 9.95% over the original contract amount and under 10% contingency amount - **DISTRICT H – GONZALEZ** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Adams. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0723 ADOPTED.
- 6. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$6,245,041.22 and acceptance of work on contract with **ALSAY INCORPORATED** for Rehabilitation of Existing Water Wells - 0.17% over the original contract amount and under 5% contingency amount - **DISTRICTS A - BROWN; B - DAVIS; E - MARTIN; F - HOANG; G - PENNINGTON and J – LASTER** - was presented, and tagged by Council Member Davis.
- 8. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$2,186,410.00 and acceptance of work on contract with **LEM CONSTRUCTION CO., INC** for Northgate and Imperial Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements - 6.03% under the original contract amount **DISTRICT B - DAVIS** - was presented, and tagged by Council Member Davis.
- 10. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$9,500,555.69 and acceptance of work on contract with **REYTEC CONSTRUCTION RESOURCES, INC** for Neighborhood Street Reconstruction Project 435A 5.63% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT A - BROWN** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Adams. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0724 ADOPTED.

PROPERTY

12. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering, reviewed and approved by the Joint Referral Committee, on request from Barry Hunsworth, Century Engineering, Inc., on behalf of 5 Star Hospitality, LLC., (Shaukatali Momin, Partner), for abandonment and sale of 10-foot-wide utility easement, located within Lots 2 through 5 and Lots 27 through 30, in exchange for conveyance to the City of two 10-foot-wide utility easements, located along the north line of Lot 5 and the south line of Lot 2, all located within Block 2 of the Addicks Dam Subdivision, out of the Joel Wheaton Survey, Parcels SY13-084, VY13-015A and VY13-015B - **DISTRICT A - BROWN** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Bradford. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0725 ADOPTED.

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS

16. **GCR, INC** for purchase of Automated Passport Control Kiosks and Support Services from the General Services Administration Schedule 70 Contract through the Cooperative Purchasing Program for the Houston Airport System - \$485,739.00 - 3 years - Enterprise Funds - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS** – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Davis.
17. **BIO-LANDSCAPE AND MAINTENANCE, INC** for purchase of Trees of Various Types and Sizes through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with Harris County Department of Education for the Houston Parks and Recreation Department - **DISTRICT K - GREEN** – was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez, seconded by Council Member Pennington. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. MOTION 2013-0726 ADOPTED.
18. **DOGGETT HEAVY MACHINERY SERVICES, LLC** - \$1,537,367.00; **MUSTANG MACHINERY COMPANY, LTD d/b/a MUSTANG CAT** - \$699,254.01; **ASSOCIATED SUPPLY COMPANY, INC** - \$656,512.00; **ONE SOURCE EQUIPMENT, LP** - \$140,610.00; **JOHN DEERE SHARED SERVICES, INC acting through JOHN DEERE CONSTRUCTION RETAIL SALES DIVISION** \$299,944.24 for purchase of Earth Moving Equipment, Boom Lifts and Trailers through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with Houston-Galveston Area Council for the Department of Public Works & Engineering - \$3,333,687.25 - Stormwater and Enterprise Funds – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Brown.
19. **TEXAS CONCRETE ENTERPRISE READY MIX, INC** for Ready Mix Concrete 5-7 Sack Mix for Various Department - \$7,679,912.00 - 24-months with 3 one year options - General, Stormwater and Enterprise Funds – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Brown.

ORDINANCES

25. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **CITY PARK REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWELVE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (CITY PARK ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget for the Authority **DISTRICT C - COHEN** – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Gonzalez.
29. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-THREE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (HARRISBURG ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2014 Operating Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; H - GONZALEZ and I - RODRIGUEZ** – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Gonzalez.

30. ORDINANCE appropriating \$3,375,000.00 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for various professional services, products, hardware, and maintenance supporting the **SAP EMPLOYEE SELF-SERVICE (ESS)** and Management Self-Service (MSS) project for the Houston Information Technology Services Department – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-1000 ADOPTED.
31. 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 – was presented, and tagged by Council Members Laster and Brown.
34. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE** for Professional Staffing Services for the Houston Fire Department Base Station; providing a maximum contract amount - \$6,399,000.00 - 1 year with two one-year options - General Fund – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-1001 ADOPTED.
38. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the Mayor to accept grant offers up to \$65,000,000 from the Federal Aviation Administration, the Department of Homeland Security and the Texas Department of Transportation for Projects at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston, William P. Hobby Airport, and Ellington Airport; declaring the City's eligibility for such grants **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; E - MARTIN and I - RODRIGUEZ** – was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-1002 ADOPTED.
39. ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,489,579.00 out of Airports Improvement Fund for Professional Materials Engineering Laboratory Agreements with **TOLUNAY-WONG ENGINEERS, INC** and **AVILES ENGINEERING CORPORATION** (approved by Ordinance No. 2013-0868) - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS** – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Davis.
40. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing fourth amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (approved by Ordinance No. 2007-1144) between the City of Houston and **GEOTECHNOLOGY RESEARCH INSTITUTE** to extend the contract term for the implementation of a sustainable development program that will improve the Energy Efficiency of City Buildings and Residential Homes – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Davis.
41. ORDINANCE appropriating \$3,266,295.00 out of General Improvement Consolidated Construction Fund and \$2,785,705.00 out of reimbursement of Equipment/Projects Fund; awarding Construction Management at Risk Contract to **TEAL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY** for the New Bureau of Animal Regulation and Care Adoption Center - **DISTRICT B - DAVIS** – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Davis.
42. ORDINANCE appropriating \$1,531,000.00 out of General Improvement Consolidated Construction Fund, \$702,000.00 out of Public Library Consolidated Construction Fund, \$1,004,000.00 out of Parks Consolidated Construction Fund, \$1,488,000.00 out of Police Consolidated Construction Fund, \$955,000.00 out of Solid Waste Consolidated Construction Fund, \$496,500.00 out of Public Health Consolidated Construction Fund, and \$272,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund for the **TASK ORDER AND JOB ORDER CONTRACTING PROGRAM** for FY2014 (originally approved

by Ordinance No. 2008-0374 and 2009-1316 respectively) – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Davis.

43. ORDINANCE appropriating \$114,000.00 out of General Improvement Consolidated Construction Fund, \$100,000.00 out of Parks Consolidated Construction Fund, \$118,000.00 out of Fire Consolidated Construction Fund, \$100,000.00 out of Police Consolidated Construction Fund, \$71,000.00 out of Solid Waste Consolidated Construction Fund, \$50,000.00 out of Library Consolidated Construction Fund, and \$50,000.00 out of Public Health Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation for the **ENVIRONMENTAL TASK ORDER PROGRAM** for FY2014 for Various City Departments (approved by Ordinance No. 2012-0900) – was presented, and tagged by Council Member Davis.
46. ORDINANCE consenting to addition of 161.8574 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 390**, for inclusion in its district - **DISTRICT D – ADAMS** – was presented.

After discussion by Council Member Adams, a vote was called on Item No. 46. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-1003 ADOPTED.

- 46a. ORDINANCE consenting to addition of 46.44 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 390**, for inclusion in its district - **DISTRICT D – ADAMS** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-1004 ADOPTED.
- 46b. ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2010-580 authorizing **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 390** to issue bonds for certain road facilities payable from revenues other than its ad valorem taxes subject to certain terms and conditions - **DISTRICT D - ADAMS** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-1005 ADOPTED.
- 46c. ORDINANCE approving and establishing the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 390 Chapter 380 Economic Development Program pursuant to Chapter 380, Texas Local Government Code; authorizing and approving Two Economic Development Agreements by and between the City of Houston, Texas and Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 390 for Implementation of the Program - **DISTRICT D - ADAMS** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-1006 ADOPTED.
47. ORDINANCE issuing a permit to **BRIDGETEX PIPELINE COMPANY, LLC** to construct, operate, maintain, improve, repair and replace one new pipeline in certain portions of specified public street rights-of-way and prescribing the conditions and provisions under which the permit is issued **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and I - RODRIGUEZ** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-1007 ADOPTED.
51. ORDINANCE awarding contract to **REYTEC CONSTRUCTION RESOURCES, INC** for Waterline Wrap Repairs II; 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 and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Operating Fund \$909,906.00 - Enterprise Fund - was presented. All voting

aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-1008 ADOPTED.

52. ORDINANCE appropriating \$618,862.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and \$3,995,190.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **JFT CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Construction of Broadway Street Reconstruction : IH-45 to Airport Boulevard; 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 and Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT I - RODRIGUEZ** - was presented. All voting aye. Nays none. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. ORDINANCE 2013-1009 ADOPTED.

MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Adams congratulated all of them on their victories last night; that she wanted to thank all of her colleagues, City of Houston employees, the community and the support of her family, for the grand celebration for her Mom last Friday, that it had been difficult, that many of them had heard her mention her Mom on several occasions and this was a Wednesday that she would not be watching, that she wanted to thank everyone for their prayers and support; that she wanted to thank all who had given prayers and support for Ms. Margaret Jenkins family; that she wanted to thank Council Members who served from 2008 to now who had supported and voted on legacies for community leaders in District D; and announced events she attended or would be attending; Council Member Hoang absent.

Mayor Parker stated that she knew it was a very hard week for Council Member Adams, she was finishing her campaign for the school board and then the passing of her Mother, and offered her sincere condolences. Council Member Hoang absent.

Council Member Pennington offered their condolences and sympathies to Council Member Adams; and thanked all of the candidates and all the people who participated in the elections yesterday. Council Member Hoang absent.

Council Member Green extended congratulations to Mayor Parker and his colleagues who were successful yesterday; that Council Member Adams was still in his prayers and he was able to attend her mother's funeral; and announced events he attended or would be attending; and stated that Ms. Ruth Hurst was laid to rest on Friday, that Mayor Parker gave wonderful comments and HPD was present, that she was a pillar in the community and would be sorely missed. Council Members Hoang and Pennington absent.

Mayor Parker stated that she had the opportunity to speak at both Ms. Jenkins and Ms. Hurst funeral, they were irreplaceable. Council Members Hoang and Pennington absent.

Council Member Davis acknowledged students from the University of Houston, who were present in the audience and asked that they stand and be recognized, that it was part of their Merging Leaders Program; that one of the highlights of yesterday was that he had a recycling bin in the back of his house and thanked Mr. Harry Hayes, Director, Solid Waste and Management. Council Members Hoang and Pennington absent.

Council Member Brown thanked everyone who voted and participated in the community yesterday. Council Members Hoang and Pennington absent.

Council Member Cohen extended her sympathies as to Council Member Adams, she knew how valuable mothers were, her Mother went out and voted yesterday at 98 years of age; and congratulated the Contemporary Arts Museum of Houston, who celebrated their 66th Anniversary, she and Council Member Rodriguez presented a proclamation to them; and announced events she attended or would be attending; and thanked everyone who came out to vote yesterday, that she was thinking earlier today, when they were discussing Veterans Day, that so many of their wars were fought so they could bring democracy to people and in her opinion democracy was one person one vote. Council Members Davis, Hoang and Pennington absent.

Council Member Christi announced events he attended or would be attending; and stated that he enjoyed continuing to serve with Council Member Hoang, who did a great job. Council Members Davis, Hoang and Pennington absent.

Mayor Parker stated that she knew Council Member Christi had gone to the neighborhood cleanup on Saturday, that she could not be there because of Ms. Jenkins funeral, but he went above and beyond, and appreciated that he was out there working hard for the citizens. Council Members Davis, Adams, Hoang and Pennington absent.

Council Member Burks thanked the citizens of Houston for going to the polls and voting and congratulated all who won on the first round, and stated that he happened to have a second round; that Council Member Adams, the Hurst and Jenkins families were still in his prayers. Council Members Davis, Adams, Hoang and Pennington absent.

Council Member Bradford stated that last week they laid to rest Ms. Stevens, Council Member Adams Mother, Ms. Margaret Jenkins and Ms. Ruth Hurst, they were on earth for a short period of time and some people traveled the journey on earth and when they were gone there was no indication they had been on earth if someone did not etch their name on a headstone some place, but those ladies did a tremendous number of things to make a difference for the greater good of all. Council Members Davis, Hoang and Pennington absent.

Council Member Martin congratulated everybody who ran for office, both the winners and non winners, because everybody who ran for office was a winner in his book; that he had never met Council Member Adams Mom, but enjoyed going to her service and saying some prayers for her; and announced events he attended or would be attending. Council Members Davis, Hoang and Pennington absent.

Council Member Laster extended condolences to Council Member Adams and to the families of Ms. Jenkins and Ms. Hurst; and announced events he attended or would be attending; and congratulated Mayor Parker on her victory and all of the others on their victories. Council Members Davis, Hoang and Pennington absent.

Council Member Costello stated that he would echo what all of his colleagues had said to Council Member Adams and looked forward to her leadership on the HISD Board; and reminded everyone that they would have a Budget and Fiscal Affairs meeting on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m.. Council Members Davis, Hoang and Pennington absent.

Council Member Rodriguez stated that his thoughts and prayers were with Council Member Adams; and extended condolences to the family of Mr. Mike Campos, brother of his political consultant, Marc Campos, who passed away on October 23, 2013; and congratulated his Chief of Staff, Ms. Gracie Garces, who ran for District I, she was the top vote getter yesterday; and congratulated Mayor Parker and his colleagues as well, who had won or were going to runoffs. Council Members Davis, Hoang and Pennington absent.

Mayor Parker stated that District I was the most spirited open sea with four people right at 25% each, it was neck and neck all night. Council Members Brown, Davis, Hoang and Pennington absent.

Council Member Gonzalez congratulated all of the candidates, the winner and non winners, for their participation in the elections, and of course the voters who came out and cast their ballots, that he was glad to see that the Joint Processing Center passed by a narrow margin; that his condolences, thoughts and prayers went to Council Member Adams and her family; that he wanted to offer condolences to the family of Mr. Lionel Castillo, who was a pioneer for civil rights and Houston's first Hispanic City Controller and was appointed by President Jimmy Carter as Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization in 1977, he died at the age of 74 and ironically this Saturday they were scheduled to officially do the ribbon cutting for the Lionel Castillo Community Center in District H at 2101 South Street; that the Country Clerk's office had an opportunity to those who needed an election photo ID at 1001 Preston, 4th Floor, Outreach Department; that he knew it was a tough loss for the Texans and wanted to make sure they kept Coach Kubiak in their thoughts and prayers, it was pretty scary to watch him collapse on the field, he wanted to wish him a speedy recovery; and announced events he attended or would be attending. Council Members Brown, Davis, Hoang and Pennington absent.

Mayor Parker stated that she reluctantly accepted the resignation this morning of Planning Department Director, Ms. Marlene Gafrick, that Council Members should have a letter on their way to them, she was going to the private sector and wished her well, that she appreciated the great service she gave to the City of Houston; she wanted to remind them that the Dynamos were in the post season, they had a playoff team who would be playing in New York; that they had a consolidated Council meeting this week because of election day and would have a consolidated Council meeting next week due to the fact they were celebrating Veterans Day on Monday. Council Members Brown, Davis, Hoang and Pennington absent.

There being no further business before Council, the City Council adjourned at 10:48 a.m. Council Member Noriega absent due to being ill. Council Members Brown, Davis, Hoang and Pennington absent.

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

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED

/S/Anna Russell

Anna Russell, City Secretary