A Regular Meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2015 with Mayor Annise Parker presiding with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen R. Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Richard Nguyen, Oliver Pennington, Edward Gonzalez, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Larry V. Green, Stephen C. Costello, David W. Robinson, Michael Kubosh, and C. O. “Brad” Bradford, Jack Christie D. C., Harlan Heilman, Division Chief, Claims & Subrogation Division; and Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office, present.

Council Member Stardig stated this time of the year, with regards to public safety and pools, which a lot of children out there that are exposed to pools and were not given pool safety instruction she wanted to recognize a number of people representing the Houston Apartment Association that are involved in communities outreach to make sure that in apartments and across the City that there was pool safety available for children because of drowning-related deaths in Houston and Harris County continues to be a concern every year, highlighting the necessity of water safety education and residents in communities were encouraged to take responsibility and precautions to prevent drowning accidents by advocating for safe water practices, implementing preventative measures and choosing to use Coast Guard approved personal floatation devices and therefore Mayor Parker proclaimed April as April’s Pool Water Safety Awareness Month in Houston Texas. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington, Laster, Green and Robinson absent.

At 1:50 p.m. Mayor Parker called the meeting to order and stated they would start with the presentation portion of the City Council meeting and recognized Council Member Stardig for a presentation. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Pennington, Laster, Green and Robinson absent.

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At 2:00 p.m. Mayor Parker recognized Council Member Nguyen for the invocation and the pledge of allegiance. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Martin absent.

At 2:02 p.m. the City Secretary called the roll. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent.

Council Member Gonzalez and Bradford moved that the minutes of the previous meeting be adopted, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent.

Mayor Parker stated due to a lot of speakers in the Chamber today, there was a long standing rule of Council that if the number of speakers who have signed up exceeds 150 minutes, that the speakers and the Member of Council are given one minute each to get through as many speakers in a timely manner.

The City Secretary began calling the list of speakers.

Ms. Carrie Pepi, 3668 Del Monte, 77019, (832)567-6527 appeared and stated she was present in favor of the Memorial Park Master Plan and was currently involved as a volunteer in a Native Plant Restoration Project in the park which improves the habitat for the wildlife and plants. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Gallegos and Green absent.
Mr. Alan Atkinson, 6 Pinehill Ln, 77019, (832)428-1141 appeared and stated he was in favor of the Memorial Park Master Plan and stated that more people are going to move here because of the parks. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Helen Drummond, 440 Wilchester Blvd, 77079, (713)932-1639 appeared and stated she was an Executive Director for the Houston Arboretum, a 40 years resident Houstonian that visits Memorial Park and the Ecological Restoration element of the Master Plan were important to Houston and was present in favor of the Memorial Park Master Plan. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Kaye Tynan, 315 Glenwood Dr., 77007, (713)515-4077 appeared and stated she likes the idea of the Memorial Park Master Plan but had concerns about the traffic on the eastern side because of the school, residential area and believes a traffic study should be implemented into the plan. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Shelley Kennedy, 706 Sue Barnett Dr, 77018, (713)822-7688 had reserved time to speak but, was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Green absent.

Mr. David Clarke Baldwin, 3000 Del Monte, 77019, (713)822-7688 appeared and stated he was in favor of the Memorial Park Master Plan, these major improvements to the park are needed in order to improve the quality of life on this city and to connect and compete with others cities. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Robyn Tompkins, 7000 Milam St., 77002, (713)358-1788 appeared and stated she was in favor of the Memorial Park Master Plan and the safety standpoints of the plan that includes land bridges that connect the north and south side of the park. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Becky Houston, 3011 Morrison, 77009, (713)862-1520 appeared and stated was she in favor of the Memorial Park Master Plan and she believes that the city and the Parks Department do a great job improving the city green space. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Daphne Scarbrough, 2016 Richmond Ave, 77098, (713)523-8413 appeared and stated she walks in the park at least twice a week and that there are no trees to give up and the plan should have been centered around what was already there rather than trying to remake a version of Central Park. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Green absent.

Dr. Betty Edwards, 17070 Red Oak Dr. No. 400, 77090, (281)384-6064 appeared and stated was President-Elect Daughters of the Republic of Texas and representing Ellen McCalf and was present in favor of the Memorial Park Master Plan. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Claire Caudill, 518 Westminster Dr, 77024, (713)932-8933 appeared and stated that she serves on the Board of Directors of the Memorial Park Conservancy and was initially skeptical of the plan until she realized how badly the park was damaged and that just letting
nature take its course wouldn’t work. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Emily Manderson, 4501 Woodway Dr, 77024, (713)681-8433 appeared and stated she was Conservation Director with the Houston Arboretum and Nature Center and been encouraged to see the ecological thought that’s been part of the Master Plan and would enhance and support the work at the Houston Arboretum and Nature Center and the Master Plan efforts. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster, Green and Costello absent.

Mr. James Von Suskil, 6014 Blossom St, 77007, (713)807-7645 appeared and stated he followed the plan for the park with optimism but concern was for the public safety and neighborhoods; specifically there are no sidewalks during the first two of the first blocks and the streets tend to get narrow and suggested to use the existing east Memorial Loop drive for the baseline of the parking which was currently proposed along Crestwood. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster, Green and Costello absent.

Mr. Robert Hoekman, 19 Crestwood Dr. No.9, 77007, (713)863-9525 appeared and stated he was a regular user of Memorial Park and strongly supported the Memorial Park Master Plan especially increasing the walk ways and more runner user safety. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Nisha Desai, 1201 Fannin, 77002, (713)906-4105 appeared and stated was present in support of the Memorial Park Master Plan and to express her personal experiences with the Memorial Park. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington, Laster and Green absent.

Mr. Jim Dougherty, 6515 Durford Dr, 77007, (713)864-9649 appeared and stated was on the Memorial Park Conservancy Board and already spoke to some of Council at the Quality of Life Committee and was in support of the Master Plan and only the only thing negative he had heard was the parking. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington, Laster and Green absent.

Mayor Parker stated wanted to admonish the audience that they have a very strong policy here that no one disrupts the speakers and would be asked to leave.

Mr. Dexter Handy, 5213 Feagan St. No. C, 77007, (832)724-8753 appeared and presented information and picture to Members of Council and stated he was a big user of Memorial Park and in support of the Master Plan but had recommendations for the plan which included more bike slots, increased parking spots, sidewalks, bike lanes into and out of the park, more bus stops, healthy vending machine and more restrooms. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Ardon Armstrong, 274 Pine Hollow Ln, 77056, (713)553-9471 appeared and stated that the City Council had been more than fair with hearings schedules throughout the city for the Master Plan of Memorial Park and hired the most innovative earth sensitive landscape designer and this was a plan to save it, restore it and respect what Houston has. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington, Laster and Green absent.

Mr. Howard Stone, 422 S. Park Grove, 77007, (832)244-2113 appeared and stated he uses Memorial Park daily and he travels for business and have seen some great parks which
Houston has a chance to make one here. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington and Laster absent.

Ms. Pat Sturdivant, 6242 Woods Ridge Way, 77007, (713)869-3476 appeared and stated she lives 30 yards away from the park and was in support of the Memorial Park Master Plan. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent.

Council Member Robinson move that the rules be suspended for the purpose of moving the following speakers out of order Matthew Berstein, Alex Mohan, Kevin Wambold, Alexander Rodriguez and to add Stray Hunt to the speakers list and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Boykins and Pennington absent. **MOTION 2015-0210 ADOPTED**

Mr. Steve Jenkins, 3107 Del Monte, (713)252-4194 appeared and stated he was a lifetime user of Memorial Park and the drought of 2011 left the park devastated and joined the Memorial Park Conservancy Board and was part of the committee that chose the architect for the Master Plan and he believes the plan was well researched and thoughtfully designed. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent.

Ms. Shelley Kennedy, 706 Sue Barnett Dr, 77018, (713)822-7688 appeared and stated she wanted to thank the Members of Council for voting last week for keeping her has a commissioner and was present to speak about the Master Plan for Memorial Park and that she had been part of the planning from the beginning and was excited that cyclist would have a place to train. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent.

Ms. Jan Cobler, 12953 Trail Hollow Dr, 77079, (713)468-1626 appeared and stated Members of Council know that they believe that a part of their quality of life was in preserving historical environment; well there was a remarkable pure and beautiful strip of forest along Buffalo Bayou between Shepherd and the Archery Range and it's a part of Memorial Park and there was in place the aforementioned proposed plan to destroy the trees along this stretch as they are doing their job has a filter. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent.

Mayor Parker stated that since Ms. Cobler have her remarks in writing that the remarks will be passed along to Members of Council.

Mr. Adam Newar, 1980 Post Oak Blvd. No2280, 77056, (713)807-1760 appeared and stated he was a Board Member of Memorial Park Conservancy and a user of the park and was present in support of the Memorial Park Master Plan and that Memorial Park was the Park for all of Houston just as Central Park was a park for New York City. . Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent.

Mr. Joseph Carey, 6628 Rodrigo, 77007, no phone number given appeared and stated he was the President of the Houston Area Road Runner Association; they are an all-volunteer nonprofit that supports running throughout the region and Memorial Park was the most widely used for runners and the Master Plan proposes a safer and more extensive network of pedestrian pathways and the Road Runners Association supports the plan. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent.
Mr. Chuck Carleberg, 2407 Pelham Dr, 77019, (713)824-0742 appeared and stated was a Memorial Park Conservancy Board Member and completely in support of the Master Plan. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent.

Mayor Parker stated that she had a map of a study where they just looked at the license plate and used a license plate reader and there was not a neighborhood in Houston where people don’t use Memorial Park.

Mr. Brandt Mannchen, 5431 Carew, 77096, (713)664-5962 appeared and stated was present to request that the City Council delay the Master Plan for two weeks because there are issues that need to be resolved; the first was the total cost estimate and he believes of a need for a public involvement process afterwards because all the detail have not been worked out and published for the public to view. Council Members Stardig, Davis and Pennington absent.

Ms. Marilyn Van Way, 9947 Camp Forest Dr, 77080, (713)462-5262 appeared and stated was present to speak why she was on the advisory Board of the Memorial Park Conservancy and that’s because she representing the Daughters of the Republic of Texas and was in favor of the Master Plan. Council Members Stardig, Davis and Pennington absent.

Ms. Shellye Arnold, 859 Azalea, 77018, (713)299-0237 appeared and stated she was Executive Director of the Memorial Park Conservancy and wanted to thanked the Members of Council for the support of this historical project for Houston. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, and Green absent.

Mr. Ara Malkhassian, 411 E. Cowan, 77007, (713)398-3314 appeared and stated he was present to request Council not to vote for the Memorial Park Master Plan because he feels that his neighborhood was never included in the input of the Master Plan. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Gonzalez and Green absent.

Ms. Alison Malkhassian, 411 E. Cowan, 77007, (713)398-2334 appeared and stated she was a resident of Crestwood and requested that Council delay this item until someone can address and discuss with them the impact of traffic. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Gonzalez, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Brenda Nemzin, 6035 Blossom St, 77007, (713)906-0123 appeared and stated she had written remarks but will forgo those remarks because she wanted to address some of the issues that have been brought up through this meeting and she believes that this plan was not right and needs a better study and she has concerns especially for safety and traffic issues. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Gonzalez, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Cara Barer, 5535 Memorial Dr. No.F650, 77007, (713)825-7455 appeared and stated she lives in the Crestwood area and first she was not opposed of the Master Plan to Memorial Park but concerns of the location of parking lots; there would be more traffic, noises and security issues that would be added next to her neighborhood. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Gonzalez, Laster and Green absent.

Ms. Carol Limperos, 6317 Pickens St, 77007, (713)426-0988 appeared and stated was a Camp Logan resident and wanted to thank the people who develop the plan but would bring the possibility of Council postponing the vote because a better traffic study needs to be done and include the schools that are in the area. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Gonzalez and Laster absent.
Council Member Cohen moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing from Sarah Newbery to answer question relating to Item 1 on the Agenda and seconded by Council Member Gonzalez; Council Members Bradford and Christie voting no, balance voting aye. Council Members Stardigm Davis, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent. MOTION 2015-0211 ADOPTED

Mr. George Figueroa, 10327 Piping Rock, 77042, (713)974-3090 appeared and stated he was present to voice his opinion on the Memorial Parker Master Plan to move the baseball fields. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent.

Council Member Gonzalez stated that they presented their statement in full in writing to Members of Council and their concerns center around the ball field and the movement of the fields and brought it to Ms. Arnold’s attention before the meeting to try to get some feedback on Mr. Figueroa concerns. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent.

Ms. Sarah Newbery was invited to the podium and was question lengthy by Council about Memorial Park Master Plan and the traffic study. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Gonzalez absent.

Mr. Rob Goyen, 6018 Gracy’s Landing Ln, Katy, 77494, (832)472-4453 appeared and stated was President of the Houston Area Trail Runners and was in support of the Memorial Park Master Plan as a suitable way to allow trail runners to run the trail safely. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster, Costello, Kubosh and Christie absent.

Council Member Laster stated since there was a quorum in the chamber he would like to bring back Ms. Sarah Newbery back to the podium.

Mayor Parker stated since the Mr. Vandusen was already called; that Council Member Laster could make a motion after he speaks.

Mr. Mike Vandusen, 6022 Rose, 77007, (713)864-0221 appeared and stated he lives on Crestwood and President of the Crestwood Civic Club; the plan was begun without benefit of a traffic impact analysis study and they have been told there have been changes made in the traffic study but haven’t been shown that study. Council Members Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Christie absent.

Mayor Parker stated that Council Member Laster wanted to do a procedural motion which was legal but the administration’s strongly prefers that he do the motion in tomorrow’s meeting. Council Members Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Christie absent.

Council Member Laster stated that he thought there were other Council Members in the cue to ask question but if the other Council Member wish to delay their question until tomorrow he would not make the motion. Council Members Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Christie absent.

Mr. Jaime Gonzalez, 3015 Richmond Ave, 77098, (281)660-6683 appeared and stated was speaking on behalf of the Prairie Conservation and was a biologist and educator which he had opportunity to serve on the scientific panel that was critical to this Master Plan and was in
support of the Memorial Park Master Plan. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington, Gonzalez and Christie absent.

Ms. Ofelia Mayo, 6022 Rose St, 77007, (713)864-0221 appeared and stated she lives in the Crestwood and Glencove neighborhoods and believes that the design team has done a thoughtful job on the Master Plan however the design team has not done an admirable job of being mindful of the traffic and safety issues related to the changes and the impact on citizen of the neighborhoods. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent.

Mr. Richard Ruggiero, 6634 Wanita Place, 77007, (281)989-9037 appeared and stated was a resident of Camp Logan and was in favor of the Memorial Park Master Plan; there are going to be traffic issues and yes their streets are narrow but he was disgusted by his neighborhoods comments about their distain about people walking, jogging or cycling through their neighborhood to get to Memorial Park. Council Member Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Pennington absent.

Ms. Christine Kirkchner, 418 W. Cowan Dr, 77007, (713)899-6013 appeared and stated he was concern citizen that uses the park and lives in the Camp Logan area and was present to voice her concerns of safety and request Council to defer the vote. Council Member Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington and Green absent.

Ms. Susan Chadwick, 4121 Mandell No.3, 77006, (832)814-8618 appeared and stated she was shocked on how many trees were lost due to the drought and asked why were the people in charge of the park didn’t do enough to save the park and yet the new plan has less trees in the park and more paved surface and she also asked Council to delay this item. Council Member Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington and Green absent.

Ms. Olive Hershey, 2415 Yupon St, 77006, (713)202-1152 had reserved time to speak but, was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Pennington, and Green absent.

Mr. A.C. Conrad, 1208 Jackson Blvd, 77006, (713)523-4663 appeared and stated he was with the Buffalo Bayou Coalition and he went to two out of four of the major meetings which the process wasn’t entirely open and couldn’t get a real answer unless on a piece of paper and also was told that this plan does not address the bayou because the bayou was fine and requested that the Memorial Park Master Plan be delayed and he did not approve the way the plan was laid out. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington and Green absent.

Mr. Robert Lee, 601 E. 18th St, 77008, (713)880-5511 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington, Gonzalez and Green absent.

Ms. Margaret Pierce, 3770 Arnold St, 77005, (713)661-6422 appeared and stated she was in support of the Memorial Park Master Plan, a member of the Memorial Park Conversancy and a member of its Conservation Committee; that she uses the park regularly and the plan provides a road map for generations and believes it is the right plan and now was the right time to adopt the plan. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Pennington and Green absent.
Mr. Carter Stern, 1066 W.42nd St, 77018, (713)503-1198 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, and Gallegos absent.

Mr. Frank Smith, 147 Glynn Way, 77056, (713)965-0842 appeared and stated he was the last surviving active member of the Advisory Committee that Ms. Hogg formed when she realized that she could no longer keep up the park personally and the main concern he had was whether the park was kept natural or was to be landscaped as she wanted this park left natural. Council Members Stardig, Davis, martín and Gallegos absent.

Mr. Thomas Woltz, 310 E. Market St, Charlottesville, VA, 22902, (434)825-8764 appeared and stated he was the owner if Nelson Woltz Landscape and Architect and had led this team and was hired by Uptown Conservancy and had sought throughout this process to bring a creative vision and to restore sports facilities for all people. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig Davis, Boykins, martín and Gallegos absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Randall Grace, 6134 Sugar Hill, 77057, (713)243-3223 appeared and stated he was lifetime user of the park and had served on the Memorial Park Conservancy Board and encouraged City Council to support this Master Plan; this plan was the key to change and creates value for all citizen of Houston. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Green absent.

Mr. Derrick Rose, no address given, (713) 909-0382 appeared and stated he was present to speak to Council about Item No. 7 on the Agenda that was for more surveillance equipment also known as Stingray equipment; this equipment has been making headlines nationwide and Chief McClelland refuses to answer any question about the device and HPD has released a frequently asked question sheet which was incorrect and the sheet stated that the device does not collect data from cell phones but that was what the device does and he was requesting Council to vote no. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Martin absent.

Mr. Matthew Berstein, 4751 Aftonshire Dr, 77027, (281)757-6091 appeared and stated he was with the Houston Republican Liberty Caucus a group that was primarily politicians and was present about Agenda Item No. 7 which was the Stingray technology and bring up the fact that it violates the Fourth and Fifth Amendment and it was used primarily against peoples First Amendment and requested Council to vote no. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Martin absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Alex Mohan, 9311 Lake Breeze Dr, Tomball, 77375, (832)278-5686 appeared and stated he wanted to comment on something that was just said that the device was used in cases other than emergency situation and there are documents to prove it, like for example Florida and the device was an invasive technology that it exist in the legal gray area where warrants are not needed. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Martin absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Kevin Wambold, no address, no phone number appeared and stated was present to voice his opinion on Agenda Item No. 7 and requested that Council vote no. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Kubosh absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.
Mr. Alexander Rodriguez, 5431 Carew, 77096, (832) 459-4076 appeared and stated he was present to speak about the Stingrays, the technology that allow police to listen without a warrant and how injustice, unconstitutional, unthinkable and if this measure was approved it will indicate that Council does not care about their constituents civil right. Mayor Parker, Council Members, Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Martin absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Ray Hunt, no address, no phone number appeared and stated he was with the Houston Police Officers Union and they were completely in support of Item No. 7 which is known as Stingray and he could say everything they do was within the confines of the constitution of the Unit States and anyone who was violating that can have charges placed on them and this technology does not allow police to read text message, e-mail or listen to a conversation. Mayor Parker, Council Members, Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Laster absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Hunt at length about the Stingray technology. Mayor Parker, Council Members, Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Laster absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Coach R.J. Bobby Talyor, 3107 Sumpter, 77026, FA34511 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Lakimble Pitre, 4618 Pardee, 77026, (713)677-9969 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mrs. Carmen Moore, 5243 Felvey, 77017, (713)640-1030 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Deborah Elaine Allen, Post Office 26352, 77207-3552, (713)264-0127 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Monica Shaw, 11111 Hunkler Dr, 77047, (713)884-5676 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin and Laster absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Ashley Powell, 4322 Howcher St, 77047, (832) 524-3159 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin and Laster absent.
Ms. Eve Jordan, 1716 Story St, 77055, (713)299-9795 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin and Laster absent.

Ms. Berdie Bellard, 3017 Lockcrest, 77047, (281)989-9037 appeared and stated she was present speak about her troubles with Harris County not spray for mosquitos and for the past 18 years she cannot get Harris County to spray in her area and was told to come to City Council to speak with the Mayor. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Pennington, Laster and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez advised Ms. Bellard to go County Commissioner office as the City did not provide the service. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Pennington, Laster and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Dr. Alkebu Motapa, 5022 Cosby, 77021, (713)741-5150 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Pennington, Laster and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Augustine Pineda, 7838 Battle Creek Dr, 77040, (832)883-2510 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Pennington, Laster and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Lawson Echeta, no address, (281)409-6581 appeared and stated he was present to ask for help by Council because he has radiation in his body and no one can give him a resolution. Mayor Parker, Council Members, Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Laster and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Johnny Mata, 2121 Fountainview, 77057, (832)723-3110 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Pennington, Laster and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Albert McNeal, 4500 Travis No.3305, 77002, (832)739-1682 appeared and stated his was present in concern of an empty parking lot right in front of his residence where homeless gather, drug deals, smoking kush, drinking, and littering going down every day and requesting help from Members of Council. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Laster and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Randa Fox, 3013 Bissonnet, 77005, (832)589-9060 appeared presented information and stated that April was Child Abuse Month and she presented to Members of Council with a packet that had a blue ribbon attach to the packet and expressed concern of the effect of child abuse can have on children. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Laster, Costello and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Noflin, 12903 Brent Rock, 77082, (832)208-1498 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Pennington, Laster and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Bridget Alexander McDaniel, P.O. Box 53993, 77052, (713)987-3854 appeared and stated she was present to voice personal concerns that happened 15 years to Members of
Council until her time expired. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Laster and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Pauletta Williams, 6310 Sandy Oaks Dr, 77050, (713)504-1882 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Pennington, Laster and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Ms. Christina Pappas, 13939 Northwest Fwy, 77040, (832)248-3360 appeared and stated was present to speak about Item 42 and request that Members of Council vote no on Item 42. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Pennington, Laster and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Mr. Kenneth A. James, 2131 Green Oak Dr, Kingwood, 77339, (713)819-8192 appeared and stated was present to speak about Item 42 and request that Members of Council vote no. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Pennington, Kubosh and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

President Joseph Charles, Post office Box 524373, 77052-4373, Houston, TX had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Pennington, Kubosh and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

At 4:51 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 1, 2015. Mayor Parker, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Pennington, Kubosh and Bradford absent. Mayor Pro Tem Gonzalez presiding.

Note: During the session many motions were offered to extend time for questions of various speakers, and votes taken, which were not prepared in written form and may be viewed on HTV Houston or on disc.

At 8:31 a.m. Ms. Anna Russell, City Secretary, read the description or captions of the items on the Agenda.

The Houston City Council reconvened at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 1, 2015. Mayor Annise Parker presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen R. Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Richard Nguyen, Oliver Pennington, Edward Gonzalez, Robert Gallegos, Mike Lasters, Larry V. Green, Stephen C. Costello, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, C.O."Brad" Bradford, Jack Christie D.C., Ms. Donna Edmundson, City Attorney; Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director, present.

At 9:09 a.m. Mayor Parker called the meeting order and requested the City Secretary to proceed with the Consent Agenda. Council Members Davis, Cohen and Gallegos absent.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 40

ACCEPT WORK - NUMBERS 3 and 4
3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of $3,160,308.18 and acceptance of work on contract with PM CONSTRUCTION & REHAB, L.P., for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Slip-lining and Pipe Bursting Methods - 0.50% under the original contract amount (4257-114) - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; E - MARTIN; I - GALLEGOS and K – GREEN** - was presented, moved by Council Member Green and seconded by Council Member Bradford, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Cohen and Gallegos absent. **MOTION 2015-0212 ADOPTED**

4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of $3,258,232.29 and acceptance of work on contract with PM CONSTRUCTION & REHAB, L.P., for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Slip-lining and Pipe Bursting Methods - 0.70% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount (4257-120) - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; I - GALLEGOS and K – GREEN** - was presented, moved by Council Member Green and seconded by Council Member Bradford, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Cohen and Gallegos absent. **MOTION 2015-0213 ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 14 through 40

14. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing ninth amendment to contract among the City of Houston, HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT and SPARK to provide an additional $275,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant Funds for the continuation of the Spark Program for the Development of Neighborhood Parks on Public School Grounds - **DISTRICTS C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS and H – GONZALEZ** - was pulled by the administration and will not be considered. Council Member Davis absent.

15. **ORDINANCE** approving a Naming Rights Marketing Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas and BARC FOUNDATION - was pulled by the administration and will not be considered.

19. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing submission of an Electronic Application for Grant Assistance to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, for the FY2014 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program; declaring the City’s eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Chief of the Houston Fire 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 Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0253 ADOPTED**

22. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Agreement between the City of Houston and SIGNAD LTD. pertaining to certain Off Premise Signs- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0254 ADOPTED**

24. **ORDINANCE** changing the name of Houston Chronicle Boulevard to INNOVATION PARK DRIVE - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis. **ORDINANCE 2015-0255 ADOPTED**
25. **ORDINANCE** changing the name of Shady Meadow Drive to **SHADYBROOK MEADOW DRIVE**

**DISTRICT A – STARDIG**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0256 ADOPTED**

26. **ORDINANCE** establishing the east side of the 1500 block of Bradney Drive, between Village Square Drive and Westbranch Drive, within the City of Houston as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT G – PENNINGTON**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0257 ADOPTED**

27. **ORDINANCE** establishing the north side of the 6000 block of Memorial Drive, between Westcott Street and Glenwood Drive, within the City of Houston as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0258 ADOPTED**

28. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to the Treated Water Supply Contract between the City of Houston and the **CITY OF HILSHIRE VILLAGE** (Approved by Ordinance No. 1996-1175 as amended) for the addition of a Secondary Point of Delivery – Revenue- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0259 ADOPTED**

29. **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 Silber Road Paving and Drainage Project (from IH-10 to Hartland Road); authorizing the acquisition of fee simple title interest in or easement to three parcels of land required for the project and situated in the James Wharton Survey, Abstract No. 871, in Harris County, Texas, said parcels of land being located along the east line of Silber Road 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 fee simple title interest in or easement to the three parcels of land required for the project - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0260 ADOPTED**

30. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $750,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **CIVILTECH ENGINEERING, INC** for Negotiated Work Orders for Pre-Engineering of Street & Traffic (Local Streets) Improvements; providing funding for construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0261 ADOPTED**

31. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $1,841,466.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **KLOTZ ASSOCIATES, INC** for West Alabama Paving and Drainage: Shepherd to Spur 527; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by
the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF - **DISTRICT C – COHEN** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0262 ADOPTED**

32. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $350,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **ZARINKELK ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC** for Negotiated Work Orders for Pre-Engineering of Street and Traffic (Local Streets) Improvements; providing funding for construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0263 ADOPTED**

33. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $1,036,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **CAROLLO ENGINEERS, INC** for Almeda Sims Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0264 ADOPTED**

34. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $3,925,845.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **REPIPE CONSTRUCTION, LLC dba IPR SOUTH CENTRAL, LLC** for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Cured-In-Place Pipe Method; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering and testing, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund (4258-64)- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0265 ADOPTED**

35. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $1,909,628.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **NERIE CONSTRUCTION, LLC** for New Front Easement Reconnections; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering and testing, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund (5159-02)- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0266 ADOPTED**

37. **ORDINANCE** No. 2015-241, passed first reading March 25, 2015
ORDINANCE granting to **VELEZ TRUCKING, INC**, A Texas Corporation, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions - **SECOND READING**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL**

38. **ORDINANCE** No. 2015-242, passed first reading March 25, 2015
ORDINANCE granting to **STREAM ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC**, A Texas Limited Liability Company, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39,
39. **ORDINANCE** No. 2015-243, passed first reading March 25, 2015
ORDINANCE granting to **STORM-TEX SERVICES L.L.C.**, A Texas Limited Liability Company, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions - **SECOND READING**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL**

40. **ORDINANCE** No. 2015-244, passed first reading March 25, 2015
ORDINANCE granting to **ROY NORWOOD dba THE GREASE POLICE**, A Texas Sole Proprietorship, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions **SECOND READING**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Parks & Recreation Department for approval of proposed Memorial Park Master Plan as a guide for the future development of Memorial Park - **DISTRICTS C - COHEN and G – PENNINGTON**- was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez and seconded by Council Member Bradford. Council Member Costello absent.

Council Member Laster stated he would like to add an Amendment to the Memorial Park Master Plan and presented the following written motion which he distributed a copy to each Council Member:
“Amendment to the Memorial Park Master Plan, Agenda Item 1

MEMORIAL PARK CENTENNIAL EQUITY FUND

WHEREAS, 2024 and 2025 respectively mark the 100th Anniversary of the City’s acquisition and opening of Memorial Park; and,

WHEREAS, the 2015 Master Plan for Memorial Park (Master Plan) is estimated to cost $220 million over a 10-20 year period; and,

WHEREAS, the City wishes to celebrate and prepare for the Centennial by:

- Engaging the entire population of the City and its philanthropists in honoring Memorial Park’s role in our City; and
- Sharing the benefits of the renovation of Memorial Park with all of the City Council Districts:

NOW, THEREFORE, I move to amend the Memorial Park Master Plan by:

1.) Creating a Memorial Park Centennial Equity Fund to use in funding any and all improvements to Memorial Park under its Master Plan;

2.) Depositing all public and privately raised monies for Memorial Park into the Centennial Equity Fund; and,

Matching, all monies spent in Memorial Park under the Master Plan with monies to be raised from public and private sources - dollar for dollar - and to be spent, in equal proportions, city wide for park renovations in each of the City’s Council Districts.”

Mayor Parker stated that this Amendment was out of order because this was a Parks Master Plan not a funding plan, this was a wrong place for the Amendment and she was ruling the motion to amend out of order and recommend that Council Member Laster take this to a Quality of Life Meeting. Council Member Costello absent.

Council Member Laster stated that he respectfully had to disagree but would not challenge her ruling as he thought it was an appropriate time to talk about how much money goes into a park but will support the item because there are some great stuff in the proposal. Council Member Costello absent.

After a lengthy discussion by Members of Council, Council Member Green moved that the rules be suspend for the purpose of hearing from Director Joe Turner relating to Item 1 and seconded by Council Member Christie, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Costello absent. 

**MOTION 2015-0214 ADOPTED**

Members of Council questioned Mr. Turner at relative to Item 1, the Memorial Park Master Plan and after discussion vote was requested on the motion to approve Item 1:

All voting aye, nays none. Council Members Costello and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2015-0216 ADOPTED**

2. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Administration & Regulatory Affairs Department for the designation of residential parking permit areas in the Super Neighborhoods of Neartown/Montrose and University Place - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was present, moved by Council Member Bradford
and seconded by Council Member Pennington, was presented. Council Members Costello and Kubosh absent.

Council Member Robinson moved that the question be divided for the purpose of considering the 1300 block of Hyde Park Boulevard separately and seconded by Council Member Bradford, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kubosh absent.

**MOTION TO DIVIDE THE QUESTION CARRIED.**

Council Member Robinson tagged the designation relating to the 1300 block of Hyde Park Boulevard.

VOTE ON THE REMAINING PORTION OF THE MAIN MOTION RELATING TO THE WROXTON COURT AND MORNINGSIDE, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2015-0243 ADOPTED**

5. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering, **TO AMEND Motion #2014-1029, 12/3/14, Item 6 TO APPOINT two independent appraisers, inasmuch as the value of the City's property is expected to exceed $1,000,000.00, Parcels SY14-086A, SY14-086B, SY14-086C, AY15-051 and KY15-073 - **DISTRICT C – COHEN** was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez and seconded by Council Member Pennington, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2015-0217 ADOPTED**

6. **TEKSYS, INC** for Equipment and Services for the Public Safety Video Initiative through the Texas Department of Information Resources for the Mayor's Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security - $1,081,620.21 - Grant Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez and seconded by Council Member Bradford, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2015-0218 ADOPTED**

7. **HARRIS CORPORATION** for Sole Source Purchase of Equipment for Criminal Intelligence Division for the Houston Police Department - $495,021.00 - Grant Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez and seconded by Council Member Bradford,

Members of Council discussed Item 7 and Council Member Boykins moved to suspend the rules to hear from Mr. Ray Hunt, the President of the HPD Association and seconded by Council Member Costello, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2015-0219 ADOPTED**

Mr. Hunt was questioned at length by Members of Council a vote was called on Item 7.

Council Member Stardig voting no, balance voting aye. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2015-0220 ADOPTED**

8. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $504,691.20 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for purchase of Automated Refuse Carts for the Solid Waste Management Department- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Kubosh and Christie absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0267 ADOPTED**
9. **TOTER, LLC** for Automated Refuse Carts through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the City of Tucson, Arizona for Solid Waste Management Department $504,691.20 - Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund

   *This item should only be considered after passage of Item 8 above-* was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez and seconded by Council Member Pennington, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Kubosh and Christie absent. **MOTION 2015-0221 ADOPTED**

10. **J. TYLER SERVICES, INC** - $46,388.74, **CONTRACT RESOURCE GROUP, LLC** - $205,232.65 and **PIONEER CONTRACT SERVICES, INC** - $79,775.20 for Office Furniture from the State of Texas Procurement and Support Services Contract through the State Cooperative Purchasing Program for Various Departments - $331,396.59 - General, Enterprise and Other Funds- was presented, moved by Council Member Gonzalez and seconded by Council Member Bradford, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Kubosh and Christie absent. **MOTION 2015-0222 ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES**

11. **ORDINANCE** amending Exhibit “A” of the City of Houston Ordinance No. 2015-0192 to add one Senior Communications Captain Position until such time as one of the incumbents leaves the position of Senior Communications Captain, in connection with settlement of a lawsuit styled Isaac J. O’Neal, III and James M. Dugar v. City of Houston, Texas, Civil Action No. 4:14-CV-00236, substituting the amended exhibit as part of the current Houston Fire Department Classified Personnel Ordinance; providing a repealer; providing for severability- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Kubosh and Christie absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0268 ADOPTED**

12. **ORDINANCE** concerning the following agreements by and between the City of Houston and **UNITED AIRLINES, INC** at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston: (1) approving and authorizing Amendment No. 2 to second amended & restated Special Facilities Lease Agreement for Terminal B Redevelopment Program; (2) appropriating $52,056,000.00 out of Airports Improvement Fund and $32,944,000.00 out of HAS Consolidated 2011 AMT Construction Fund and approving and authorizing Construction Management and Reimbursement Agreement related to Terminal B City Project Components of the Terminal B Redevelopment Program (Project No. 831)- was presented. Council Member Laster moved to suspend the rules to hear from Michelle Baden and Kate Gebo relating to Item 12 and 13 and seconded by Council Member Costello, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2015-0223 ADOPTED**

Ms. Baden and Ms. Gebo were questioned by Members of Council relative to Items 12 and 13. A vote was called on Item 12.

   *all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Cohen, Martin and Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0269 ADOPTED**

13. **ORDINANCE** concerning the following agreements by and between the City of Houston and **UNITED AIRLINES, INC** at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston: (1) appropriating $36,500,000.00 out of HAS Consolidated ITRP AMT Construction Fund and approving and authorizing Amendment No. 2 to Airport Use & Lease Agreement for Terminal C in support of the Intercontinental Terminal Redevelopment Program (Project No. 830); (2) approving and
authorizing Terminal C South Net Lease and Use Agreement - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Cohen, Martin and Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0270 ADOPTED**

16. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and the **HOUSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY** to provide a grant in an amount not to exceed $750,000.00 of Federal Community Development Block Grant Funds to assist in the acquisition of the site for Independence Heights Apartments, located in the vicinity of 8606 North Main Street, Houston, that will primarily serve low to moderate income households - **DISTRICT H – GONZALEZ**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin and Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0271 ADOPTED**

17. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing agreement between the City of Houston and the **HOUSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY** to provide a grant in an amount not to exceed $450,000.00 of Federal Community Development Block Grant Funds for Improvements to Allen Parkway Village and the Historic Oaks of Allen Parkway Village, Housing Communities located in the Houston, Texas, near 1600 Allen Parkway, Houston, that primarily serve low to moderate income households - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin and Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0272 ADOPTED**

18. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $250,000.00 out of TIRZ Affordable Housing Fund and approving and authorizing Repair Agency Agreement between the City of Houston and **FORT BEND COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROJECTS**, as Repair Agency, for Performance of Minor Critical Emergency Repairs to homes owned by qualified households; approving the first amended and restated administrative guidelines for the Minor Critical Emergency Home Repair Program - **DISTRICT K – GREEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin and Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0273 ADOPTED**

20. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing extension amendments to SafeClear Freeway Towing and Emergency Road Service Agreements between the City of Houston and **ALLIED COLLISION CENTER, INC, CANNINO WEST, INC, CORPORATE AUTO SERVICES, INC, C-MAS, INC, D/B/A FIESTA WRECKER SERVICE, K.T.L. ENTERPRISES, INC, MILAM STREET AUTO STORAGE, INC, NORTH HOUSTON MOTORS, INC, T & T MOTORS, INC, d/b/a T & T MOTORS, UNIFIED AUTO WORKS PAINT & BODY, INC, d/b/a UNIFIED AUTO WORKS, WESTSIDE WRECKER SERVICE, INC, RBEX, INC, d/b/a APPLE TOWING CO., STERLING INTEREST INVESTMENTS, INC, d/b/a ELITE COLLISION CENTER and HOUSTON AUTO TECH, INC, d/b/a HOUSTON AUTO TECH** ("SafeClear Towing Agreements") to extend the SafeClear Towing Agreements for up to five months to give the City sufficient time to publish a request for qualifications and select qualified Police Authorized Tow Service Agreement Holders as operators to perform SafeClear Towing on Freeways in the City of Houston- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin and Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0274 ADOPTED**

21. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Houston and the **CITY OF SUGAR LAND** for Emergency Medical Services- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0275 ADOPTED**

23. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Amendment No. 2 to Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas, and **HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS**, relating to the Joint Radio Maintenance
Facility located at 2318 Greens Road, Houston, Texas- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0276 ADOPTED**

36. **ORDINANCE** calling public hearings at which interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard on: a Strategic Partnership Agreement between the City of Houston and **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 16** and on proposals for the City of Houston to annex for limited purposes certain territory located within such district in Harris County; a proposed Strategic Partnership Agreement between the City of Houston and **TRAIL OF THE LAKES MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT** and on a proposal to annex for limited purposes territory located within and in the vicinity of such district in Harris County; proposed amendments to Strategic Partnership Agreements between the City of Houston and **FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 133** and **HARRIS-FORT BEND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1** and on proposals for the City of Houston to annex for limited purposes certain territory located within such districts in Fort Bend County; proposed amendments to a Strategic Partnership Agreement between the City of Houston and **MALCOMSON ROAD UTILITY DISTRICT** and on a proposal for the City of Houston to annex for limited purposes territory within and in the vicinity of such district in Harris County; proposals of the City of Houston to impose the City of Houston’s Sales and Use Tax in such territory; providing for the publication of notice of such hearings - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; E - MARTIN and F - NGUYEN**

**HEARING DATES - WEDNESDAY - 9:00 A.M. - APRIL 29 AND MAY 6, 2015-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2015-0277 ADOPTED**

### NON CONSENT AGENDA - NUMBER 41

**MISCELLANEOUS**

41. **SET A PUBLIC HEARING DATE** on the granting of a pipeline easement through a portion of Blackhawk Park to Fairway Energy Partners, LLC

**HEARING DATE - 9:00 A.M. - WEDNESDAY - MAY 6, 2015**- was presented, Council Member Bradford moved to set hearing for 9 a.m. Wednesday, May 6, 2015 and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2015-0224 ADOPTED**

### MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 42 and 43

42. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Retail Concession Agreement for the Houston Airport System at William P. Hobby Airport by and between the City of Houston and **WDFG NORTH AMERICA, LLC - Revenue - DISTRICT I - GALLEGOS**

**DELAYED BY MOTION #2015-198, 3/25/15**

This was a portion of Item 57 on Agenda of March 25, 2015- was presented. Council Member Davis and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Parker invited Mr. Mario Diaz, Director of the Airport System to the podium to answer questions by Members of Council. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Diaz at length and a roll call vote was requested on Item 42:
ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Parker- voting aye  
Council Member Gonzalez- voting aye  
Mayor Parker- voting aye  
Council Member Gallegos- voting no  
Council Member Davis- absent  
Council Member Laster- voting aye  
Council Member Cohen- voting aye  
Council Member Green- voting aye  
Council Member Boykins- voting aye  
Council Member Costello- voting aye  
Council Member Martin- voting no  
Council Member Robinson- voting aye  
Council Member Nguyen- voting aye  
Council Member Bradford- voting aye  
Council Member Pennington- voting no  
Council Member Christie- voting no, 

ORDINANCE 2015-0278 ADOPTED

43. ORDINANCE authorizing the sale of certain real property consisting of approximately 1.273 acres of land located at 4215 Leeland Avenue, being a part of the J. Wells Survey, Abstract Number 832, Houston, Harris County, Texas, and identified as Parcel SY15-044; declaring Parcel SY15-044 surplus; appointing two independent appraisers to determine the Fair Market Value of Parcel SY15-044; approving and authorizing a Listing Agreement between the City of Houston and TRANSWESTERN PROPERTY COMPANY SW GP, L.L.C. d/b/a TRANSWESTERN, for the Marketing and Sale of Parcel SY15-044 - DISTRICT I - GALLEGOS 

DELAYED BY MOTION #2015-209, 3/25/15 
This was Item 60 on Agenda of March 25, 2015- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kubosh absent. ORDINANCE 2015-0279 ADOPTED

MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS-

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council, the City Council adjourned at 11:37 a.m. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Pennington, Laster, Green, Costello, Kubosh, Bradford and Christie absent. NO QUORUM

DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED

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Anna Russell, City Secretary