

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, June 7, 2016

The Houston City Council convened at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 7, 2016; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Harlan Heilman, Division Chief, Claims & Subrogation Division; Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present. Council Member Steve Le absent on personal business.

At 1:40 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen called the meeting of City Council to order and stated that they would start with the presentations. Mayor Turner, Council Member Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Green, Knox, Robinson, Kubosh, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Council Member Cohen invited Deputy Director of Public Works Eric Dargan to the podium and stated Public works services are an integral part of our everyday lives. The health, safety and comfort of our community greatly depend on these facilities and services and the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design and construction, are vitally dependent upon the efforts and skills of public works employees; public attitude and understanding of the importance of the duties public works employees perform is vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as water, streets and highways, sewers and public buildings and on May 15-21, 2016, the Southeast Texas Branch of the American Public Works Association, along with thousands of public works professionals who serve their communities continuously, will celebrate the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual National Public Works Week. This year's theme is Public Works: Always There, the City of Houston recognizes the vital contributions that public works employees, especially those serving the City of Houston, make every day and extends best wishes to all for a rewarding National Public Works Week and therefore Mayor Pro Tem Cohen on behalf of Mayor Turner proudly proclaim May 15-21, 2016 as National Public Works Week in Houston Texas. Mayor Turner, Council Members Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Green, Knox, Robinson and Edwards absent.

Council Member Robinson stated that Southeast Houston Transformation Alliance (SEHTA) was a collaborative effort that brings residents and key stakeholders together to transform the southeast Houston area into a healthy, vibrant and economically stable community and SEHTA was founded in October 2012 as a result of a November 2011 grant from the National Endowment of the Arts as part of their Our Town initiative which encourages personal and environmental health, wellness and nutrition, urban connectivity, empowerment and organization on a community level and In March 2013, SEHTA became a nonprofit organization; in January 2013, OST/South Union was designated a GO Neighborhood by Local Initiatives Support Corporation, SEHTA serves as the Steering Committee in conjunction with Neighborhood Recovery Community Development Corporation as the Convening Agency and Go Neighborhoods is a multi-year comprehensive initiative for revitalizing Houston communities by addressing the many aspects of developing a sustainable community and SEHTA currently remains highly active in the Southeast community, primarily in the Greater Old Spanish Trail/South Union Super Neighborhood 68 where they continue to promote healthy, vibrant and economically stable communities; on June 7, 2016, the community members of the Greater Old Spanish Trail/South Union neighborhood, volunteers and community organizers will gather at City Hall to celebrate and recognize the leadership and the works of the SEHTA and the City of Houston commends Southeast Houston Transformation Alliance and its members and extends best wishes for continued success and therefore Mayor Turner proclaimed June 7, 2016 as

Southeast Houston Transformation Alliance Day in Houston Texas. Council Members Davis, Martin, Travis, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Council Member Boykins stated for the Sake of Art 2016 was the fourth in a series of biennial wearable art competitions which celebrates the vibrant talent of emerging artists and designers while highlighting the incomparable permanent collection of African American art at the University Museum at Texas Southern University; originally a fundraiser to support the restoration of the university's 128 murals, the competition has grown to feature works from art alumni from the 1950's through the 21<sup>st</sup> century and each participating designer selects a work from the permanent collection as a source of inspiration and creates a garment based upon the chosen work of art, Judges select the winners based upon criteria such as the overall design, the construction of the garment and creative use of materials and past Judges for the competition have included Elizabeth Anyaa, Danielle Burns, Lora Clemmons, Chloe Dao, Cesar Galindo, Tina Knowles, Anita Smith and Jeffrey Williams; this For the Sake of Art 2016 competition attracts designers throughout the country with finalists submitting designs from Dallas, North Carolina, New York and Houston and this year's competition will honor the legacy of Kermit Oliver, a Texas Southern art graduate who has achieved worldwide acclaim in the art world. As the only American artist who designs for Hermès, Kermit Oliver has created sixteen scarf designs for Hermès which have become collector's items for women throughout the world and his long term association with Hermès began with a commission from Neiman Marcus to create a scarf for Hermès in commemoration of the Texas Bicentennial. Kermit Oliver was honored with a retrospective at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston in 2005 and will be featured in the inaugural exhibition at the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture, opening in the fall of 2016 and on June 7, 2016, For the Sake of Art 2016 will be recognized for its commitment to providing an environment for aspiring artists to showcase their talent and skills and the City of Houston commends all those involved in For the Sake of Art 2016 and extends best wishes on its continued success and therefore Mayor Turner proclaimed June 7, 2016 as For the Sake of Art Day in Houston, Texas. Council Member Davis absent.

At 2:05 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Stardig for the invocation and she invited Pastor Luis Palomo to the podium for invocation and Council Member Stardig led the pledge of alliance.

At 2:09 p.m. the roll was called. Council Member Steve Le absent on personal business.

Council Member Laster move to delay adopting of the minutes of May 24 & 25, 2016 and June 1, 2016 and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Council Member Knox moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Ms. Hanah Khan, Ms. Zain Mabizar, Ms. Zainab Gltwar, Ms. Atiya Hasan and Ms. Annum Jaffer out of order and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0277 ADOPTED**

Council Member Kubosh moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Mr. Joe Jordan out of order and seconded by Council Member Travis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0278 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Stardig for a personal privilege.

Council Member Stardig stated she wanted to recognize a group that was in the audience which she had the honor in having lunch with them today and requested the BOMA Leadership to stay in the audience and the group was led by Tammy Bettencourt.

Mayor Turner stated that Council Member Le was not present today because his wife was in a very serious accident last week and she had been in ICU and was doing better and he had the chance to speak with both of them today and were hoping she would be leaving the hospital very soon.

Mayor Turner also stated that Council Member Stardig had an event that happened to her when someone broke into her car.

Council Member Stardig stated that Spring Branch ISD Officer that was walking his dog found her purse in a ditch, researched her, called her and returned it to her, she was only missing one item but everything was returned to her and she wanted to thank everyone that supported her and she wanted to thank her staff.

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to recognize that it was Council Member Travis birthday and wanted to wish him a Happy Birthday.

Mayor Turner stated that before they begin the Public Session, they need to announce that there was 174 minutes' worth of speakers that was more than 2 hours and requested that the City Secretary read the rules that would be in effect for today.

The City Secretary stated under the Code of Ordinances Chapter 2 Section 2-2; if the total of time requested by the speakers at any Council meeting was greater than 150 minutes, the Mayor shall announce and each speakers time shall be one minute and the time for question by City Council Members shall be limited to a total of one minute for each speaker.

Council Member Kubosh moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Mr. Kiland Kyham out of order and seconded by Council Member Laster, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0279 ADOPTED**

Council Member Boykins moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Ms. Gladys House out of order and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0280 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

Mr. Kiland Kyham, 2120 El Paseo Dr., 77054, (832)633-6363 appeared and stated that he was honoring this Father's Day, he was so excited to have his children with him and his 11 year old daughter and some of the children from Parker Elementary to celebrate this Father's Day, to not only honoring the Father's but also to be honoring some of the Council Members, Council Members Kubosh, Robinson, Christie, Le and Knox; this was going to be June 18, 2016, it was a breakfast, brunch at Café 4212, it was just an opportunity to honor the Fathers and appreciate those men that had played an active role in children's lives and as well as musicians who happen to be fathers, to be serenaded by their children and he was requesting Members of Council to support this special event.

Council Member Robinson moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Mr. Adrain Garcia and Ms. Gracie Saenz out of order and seconded by Council Member Boykins, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0281 ADOPTED**

Mr. Joe Jordan, 14173 Northwest Frwy, Apt. No.166, 77040, (713)680-3181 appeared and presented information and stated that he would like to thank the Mayor and Members of Council for their recent support for fingerprints for all drivers and now what they were concerned about was the State taking control of all transportation which they do not want and they would like to assist Members of Council to help keep local control of taxi, limo and charters; they were also concerned because they filled Felony Charges on UBER for price gouging during the flood and Attorney General did not move on it which they were upset about that and UBER was asking that everything about them be a trade secret and keep up their good work, let's keep the City well-regulated with transportation and requested that they take a look at his packet when they get a chance. Council Member Davis absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Jordan.

Ms. Gladys House, 1605 Andrews St., 77019, (832)781-9724 appeared and distributed information to Council Members and stated that she wanted to share with the Mayor, that when she appeared 2 months ago that none of the issues had been addressed, one of the issue that was on the list was the back and forth on naming which she presented to all of the Council Members a request to changing the name of the near town store front to honor Sergeant Richard Wilson and all she had gotten was the back and forth of the policy, nothing was being acted on and she was concerned whenever they were trying to act on something from Freeman Town or if she was trying to act on something and if the City has anything to do with, nothing never happens and she was just trying to get some activity on it; she knows that he told her that the, Chief of Staff had worked with him for 17 years, she was trying to get some e-mails answered by her. Council Member Davis absent.

Mr. Augustine J. Castillo, 1103 Erin St., 77009, (832)656-7804 appeared and stated he was a lifelong resident from the City of Houston and his concern was the lack of City Code Enforcement and people parking on the sidewalk and making it unavailable for pedestrian to walk on the sidewalk but his main topic was what they see on the road, the mattresses and trash that sit there for two to three months in their neighborhood that was hurting their neighborhood and that no one was giving parking tickets in the City of Houston. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent.

Mr. Charles White, 8607 Martin Luther King Blvd., 77033, (713)292-3436 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent.

Mr. Benjamin Calhoun, 8510 North Main, 77022, (832)996-6389 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent.

Mr. Johnny Mata, no address, (832)723-3110 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated that Customary Civil Rights groups held a joint news conference to denounce police brutality and today they unified seeking righteousness for Houston Police Officers who has been wrongfully terminated under the Code of Silence, they have two Officers that were present that came before City Council that was Kathy Swilley and Demetrius Wright and he can tell them that what's been going in the Police Department for years and this new Administration have a chance to correct, envision this picture a Houston Police Officer having a pistol pointed at his or their head by a suspect, in a dark street in Houston but no one else was there to help. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Robinson absent.

Mayor Turner questioned Mr. Mata and advised him that he was going to go through the packet that Mr. Mata gave him.

Mr. Augustin Pinedo, 7831 Battlecreek Dr., 77040, (832)883-2510 appeared and stated that he was a member of Lulac and he was also with the Greater of Houston Coalition for Justice, he was present to address Members of Council regarding of the case of Kathy Swilley and Officer Demetrius Wright who were terminated wrongfully by the Police Department and they request that they be reinstated and that their record be wiped clean of any dishonorable discharge as they know the corner stone of democracy that was a Police Force that they all can be confident in and with a new Mayor that had been really open and the Interim Chief of Police had also been open and they very hopeful that things would turn out right and requested their help. Council Member Davis absent.

Ms. Cristal Solares, 5201 Leeland St., 77023, (713)876-5206 appeared and stated she was speaking with support for her Muslim brothers and sisters, they were demanding that Council Member Knox fire his Director of Outreach for attempting to ban a Muslim person from holding Public Office; as Mexican American Transgender Woman, she knows what it feels like to be unfairly targeted for something that she had no control over including her race, gender and religion, the actions of Trebor Gordon were deplorable and non-American, to claim that Muslim Americans were against the foundation of America and that Christian and Islam cannot mix was the type of hate speech. Council Member Davis absent.

Council Member Knox advised Ms. Solares that he would be making a statement after everyone speaks about his staff and for her to stick around for that statement.

Mr. Deane Foss, 10050 Bayou Glen Rd., 77042, (832)326-7101 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated that he lives in Briar Grove Park, it was in District G, he was one of four neighbors that were present to speak about the flooding issue; flooding has a high potential to adversely impact real estate prices directly and indirectly, both were bad for the City of Houston, the problems deal with the media in terms of people asking why would anyone want to live in swamp was a growing public perception based on recent media coverage of the flooding in Southeast Texas, if neighborhoods become known as one that floods, prospective home-buyers may steer clear and if that happens, then lower demand equals lower prices, potential buyers may also be concerned about the cost, availability of FEMA insurance and if they cannot get FEMA insurance then people would move on and buy a house somewhere else, basically lower property values means fewer sales, lower assessments and lower income to the City of Houston. Council Member Davis absent.

Council Member Travis stated that this had been set as a high needs area already, which that means they were going to have this pre-engineered in 2017 and that was the first step in addressing the issue and he does encourage him and others to call 311 if they have structural flooding because this was the quickest and fastest way to get this high on the list.

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to add to that, that flooding was a top priority and they were moving as fast as they can in that regard, there were four to five projects that were on the books right now that were almost ready to go but they were going to cost \$311 million dollars to get there and they were looking at funding for that and he knows that he scheduled to be in Washington to meet with a delegation on July 7<sup>th</sup> to talk with them and at the same time they were talking to the Texas Water Board to maybe get funding and this Administration was looking was exploring all possible opinions to address flooding and flooding projects.

Ms. Dorothy Phillips, 307 Briar Park Dr., 77042, (713)783-0155 appeared and stated she lives on Briar Park Drive, they had lived there for 41 years and had been flooded four times, flood insurance does not cover all the expenses from hotel stays and meals, about 15 to 20 years ago they had talked to City Council and others about the problem and the City Drainage did so some work in the area, they increased the drainage flow but when they increase the drainage flow to the intersection of Briar Park Drive and Bayou Glen, they did not increase the pipe that goes to the bayou, all of this was street flooding even though they live by Buffalo Bayou, it had not flooded. Council Members Davis and Green absent.

Council Member Martin stated that he wanted to recognize some Boy Scouts that were present and they were going for their communications merit badge and they were from Clear Lake.

Ms. Hanah Knan, 19711 Fawns Crossing Dr., Tomball, TX, 77375, (832)290-0110 appeared and stated that she was a Junior at Texas A&M and she was present to speak about the State of Religious Freedom in the United States, she was an American Muslim and she demands the right to practice this law and Trebor Gordon was a man that had taken away the freedom of other citizen by creating a dialogue of discrimination that denied a man the right to run for Precinct Chair on the grounds of his faith, they know that this Country Foundation was based on the freedom to practice religion without persecution, so she wanted to get this straight were they really free to practice their religion if they have to live in fear that someone out there who hates them might be lurking around the corner, why did three incident students have to lose their lives because someone did not like their religion that they chose to practice because hate destroys freedom and by destroying freedom, they were destroying democracy and this was not what America was about. Council Member Davis absent.

Ms. Zainab Mabizari, 8181 Fannin St., 77054, (832)260-2823 appeared and stated she was a first year Medical Student born and raised a Houstonian, various members of the Muslim Community and friends had come out today to show that their community had a presence, they were appalled that a City that was as diverse was tolerating the bigotry in the government that was supposed to represent them; now they have laws against racial discrimination and hate crimes but they do not have laws of hate speech, this needs to change, if a concern of a religion that was not matching the foundation of this nation, they were blinded to the diseases that were plaguing America; Council Member Knox even once he twitted that equal rights was one that when exercised does not impact or detract another person's rights but yet this was what his staffer chose to do and they were present today to like Members of Council know they would continue to forgive and take the higher road. Council Member Davis absent.

Ms. Zainab Ghwari, 11406 Bucks Bridge Ln., Sugarland, TX, 77498, (281)777-3769 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Member Davis absent.

Ms. Atiya Hasan, 9606 Tree Sparrow Ln., 77083, (832)836-0989 appeared and stated that she had been a Houstonian for most of her life, she was a MD, four generation of her family were citizens and Houston had been their home base, when she see the word "the People are the City", that makes her very proud, that Houston had embodied that for her while growing up here, she owns a digital publication which encourages South Asian Americans all over the U.S. to be involved in their communities and it deeply saddens her, that a person who was associated with the Houston City Council had spoken such insulting words against her religion and she does not understand that the City Council would want to be associated with someone

like this and she hopes that City Council would terminate Trebor Gordon and have no association with him. Council Member Davis absent.

Council Member Boykins moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Rev. Robert Muhammad out of order and seconded by Council Member Travis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2016-0282 ADOPTED**

Ms. Annum Jaffer, 7373 Ardmore St. Apt No.1179, 77054, (972)533-1446 appeared and stated that she was a Medical Student, that her religion had taught her the value of human life, Islam was her religion and she calls herself a Muslim although people including staffer Trebor Gordon tried to tell her and her community what their religion means, they were here today and would keep coming to show why they should lead the government in the direction of justice and equality by borrowing some of the principles that were actually extremely important to the Islam, Islam had taught her about social justice, taught her about women rights, had taught her about diversity and as an American Muslim she had no longer the patience to wait for people that were in power to do what was right because they had waited long enough, they demand it now, remove Trebor Gordon from his position and to remove him from any association to Members of Council. Council Member Davis absent.

Council Member Knox moved that the rules be suspended to allow time Council Member to make a 3 minutes response to remarks of speakers on religion freedom and seconded by Council Member Laster, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2016-0282A**

Council Member Knox thanked everyone today for speaking about this subject, the ability to petition the government to seek regress of grievance was fundamental to the form government, he appreciates and respects their opinions and the position that they hold on these matters, as he stated publicly before, he does not support nor does he endorse the comments that were made by Trebor Gordon which has caused so much pain to many in the City, his statements were by him, on his own time and were outside of his responsibilities as an employee of this office, as horrible as these comments were, his actions bring to light a more pressing issue for him and for the citizens of Houston, intolerance were a root issue displayed by Mr. Gordon, some had argued as many have said today that he must dismiss him from his office; however, was an opportunity to use this incident to actually combat intolerance in Houston, he does not believe intolerance can be overcome with more intolerance, he believes that the best way to combat intolerance with logic, reason, fact and respect; there was a time when people thought the Earth was flat and some of these people took the time to persuade and correct these men with logic, reason, and face that the Earth was round instead of isolating or banning them from society and he attends to do the same with Mr. Gordon; he wanted to recap the facts as he understood them, Mr. Gordon attempted to deny accesses to a citizens to the Political process based on his beliefs that the Muslim faith was incompatible with the Constitution of the United States and the planks of the Republican party, the Harris County Republican Party defeated Mr. Gordons idea and elected to appoint the aggrieved party to the Precinct Chair and he commended that and when it became known that he was employed by his office, some decided to use Mr. Gordons comments for political purpose and we are, where we are today, if he succumbs to political correctness and dismiss Mr. Gordon without attempting to persuade him to reevaluate his position, he would be acting as intolerantly as Mr. Gordon did; the Constitution of the United States and the State of Texas does include his right to speak freely on any subject and having said that he does not condone or defend Mr. Gordons comments but he has chosen to address the underlining issue and work with Mr. Gordon; Mr. Gordon had enrolled and attend sensitivity training and would be tutored by him in American

History that related to the Constitution of the State and Nation and he also accepted the offer from the Islamic Community to help him which this would takes some time and if they were successful Mr. Gordon would broaden his world view and they would have achieved a victory over intolerance and if they were not successful he would not continue in his current employment, let us use this situation to come together as one family of Houstonians and help a family member over his sense of intolerance and he invites everyone to help him by using tolerance to combat intolerance in the City of Houston.

Mayor Turner stated that he thanked everyone for coming down here and expressing their views and on behalf of this entire City, this was a City that welcomes everyone, welcomes the diversity but they certainly have a lot of work to do that they were just inclusive as they were diverse, they certainly welcome everyone here regardless of their faith, their religion, their race, their gender, their age, this was a welcoming City and he looks forward on continuing this discussion and looking forward in sitting down with Council Member Knox as they address this issue and move forward but he does not want anyone to think that this City devalues anyone base on their faith, religion or what they may look like of what their orientation maybe and they were inclusive City and he does not want to lose sight of that.

Ms. Clotho Hasebe, 303 Briar Park Dr., 77042, (281)819-1944 appeared and displayed a poster to Members of Council and stated she lives in Briar Grove Park, their homes and their neighbors' homes had flooded twice in a 11 month period and 3 times since 2009, each time the flooding was caused by an overwhelmed storm drain at the foot of her driveway, after the Memorial Day Flood, she called 311 to report the failure of the storm drain, a case file was generated and it remained open for months which she began calling for the status, Rebuild Houston located the case file and determine it was a filing error, there was no work that need to be done, the storm drain had been inspected and was found to be in a working order, literally 4 days after her conversation with Rebuild Houston her and her neighbors homes flooded again, there was work that need to be done, there were 14 storm inlets that were called Type B Inlets and these inlets lead to a 36 inch pipe. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Green and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner stated he wish he could address the flooding right now, it is a top priority and they were certainly expediting it, for things that had been neglected or overlook, the growth and development that has taken place in the City was going to take a little time to try to address it and it was a top priority and they were moving as expeditiously as they can within the financial constraints to address them.

Ms. Marise Mikulis, 10102 Briar Dr., (281)723-2901 appeared and stated that she and her husband live in Briar Grove Park subdivision as well, they purchased their home in 2012, knowing of flooding damages from the street had occurred in 2009 and now her home and her family sustained significant flooding loss twice more in less than 12 months, on Memorial Day 2015 and Tax Day in 2016 and she wanted to be completely clear that the losses that they had endured were due to water flowing in the street, they had watch the water destroy their car and they had watched it rush in through the walls of their home and these were terrifying to experience and there was another problem that was caused by the situation, a house with a history of these floods was very undesirable. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Green and Knox absent.

Rev. Robert Muhammad, 443 Old Spanish Trail, 77021, (832)283-9956 appeared and stated that he was requesting that Officer Swilley would be reinstated and their files would be reviewed again they get on the youth about no-snatch rule and yet within HPD if they say



something, they get retaliated against and this was cited by the Supreme Court that this Blue Wall of Silence and this retaliation takes place, they want that reviewed and they would like these Officers record cleared so they can provide service to the City and its citizens, that was his request. Council Members Davis and Knox absent.

Mr. Wesley Hart, 1046 Stonecrest Dr., 77018, (713)320-7993 appeared and stated that he was President of the Houston Area Liberty and Charter Association, basically they were here today to applaud the Mayor on his stance and his nonnegotiable position on fingerprint and background checks, they know it was very important, they know that UBER was not going to leave town over this, it was very nice in sitting with Shelia Jackson Lee the office in Washington and he received a text from one of his fellow Council Members telling him to turn on the television, they could watch the whole event and sitting in a taxi cab with the driver says wow that was his Mayor and he told the taxi driver, yes that was his Mayor, he was a Member of the Fighting 15<sup>th</sup> the Precinct 663 an Election judge but they do have a lot of work to do. Council Members Davis and Knox absent.

Mr. David Thorne, 40 FM 1960 Road West, 77090, (832)815-7746 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated that he was only going to read the last paragraph that had to do with Mayor Turner, the Urban Mass Transit Union Incorporated was a major step in receiving 49 billion dollars and future funding being injected into Houston and other service area economies, full transparency was vital in the public interest and trust for balanced community development and greater mobility throughout Houston for which the funding was initially designed, follow the process communicated by Vice President Joe Biden so that the service areas benefit from Houston's national standing, this had to do with the shenanigans that were going on at the Metropolitan Transit Authority, they refuse to allow a legal representative of public employees to represent collective bargaining and because of that as of 2004 they sent information to the Department of Labor, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Commerce and the President letting them know what was going on and since that time no funding had come into the service area. Council Members Davis and Knox absent.

Mr. Marwan Jaouhari, 14718 Graywood Grove Ln., 77062, (832)212-2478 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated that he knows that he just has one minute so he will try to be quick; today Limo companies consist of one single vehicle permit, private cars TNC vehicles operating under assumed share ride business they illegally began operating in the City under the pretense of carpooling, but the fact they were operating replicating taxi with new technology, the big scam company allowed to extort the citizen, use and manipulate their drivers and they had added more pollution to the City with unlimited amount of cars on the streets exceeding 20,000, initially they were supposed to operate in the City and surrounding areas, instead they were now staging at the airports knowingly they were still defiantly demanding the deregulation of fingerprints, licensing and vehicle inspections.

Ms. Helen George, 8710 Fondren Village Dr., 77071, (9713)271-4989 appeared and stated that she appeared in front of Members of Council back in February of a problem she was having which she shared the information with them which she was going to provide copies of an update to Members of Council, in the meantime she received information from Legal that asked her to provide information to them on the property damages, she had three copies of the bids and all the things that they reported that she paid on her car, she proceeded to do that back in the day that she was asked for it which she followed it diligently to see what was going to happen; first of all she was happy that the company could get with her because trying to get color photos of that paint on the car was hard and what perturbed her was on May 24<sup>th</sup> she

received a letter and she would make this simply and stated “ I understand this event has caused you to suffer a financial hardship and I, on behalf of the City, sincerely apologize to you and I am certain however, that you want the City to operate within the parameter of the law and in this case that means the loss is not sustained by the Houston taxpayers and I know this does not seem fair but it is legal” and then he referred too, the Civil Practice and Remedies 101.021 which was fine but there was another one that was read Chapter 101.215, Liability of a Municipality, a Municipality was liable under this chapter for damages arising from it government function which was those functions that were enjoined Municipality by law and were given by the State as part of the State Sovereignty. Council Members Davis and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner requested that Ms. George speak with the Attorney from Legal who was present.

Mr. William Ator, 609 Maypine Ln., 77085, 9713)469-8727 appeared and stated that he been driving a taxi since 2005 and all through these years he been doing good but for the last few years, his business had suffered due to unfair positions of the City or City Members and he believes that this can be corrected, like the way the City had done a few weeks ago about the fingerprinting and one of the reason that was affecting his business was giving UBER a chance to set their own price which was a big variation for their fare; also they have a limo and town cars that were stealing their trips at both airports, they want to request the City to have a destination for all these drivers like the taxi drivers and it would give everybody a chance. Council Members Knox absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Ator.

Mr. Adnan Ahmed, 3501 Jensen Dr., 77026, (832)277-2712 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Member Knox absent.

Mr. Richard Guerra, 1015 James, 77009, (832)292-1441 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Member Knox absent.

Ms. Jessica Molina, 1605 Gano St. Unit B, 77009, (409)932-8169 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Member Knox absent.

Ms. Clemmie St. Amand, 3401 LeBadie St., 77026, (281)615-0630 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Member Knox absent.

Ms. Barry Jackson, 15607 Briar Spring Court, Missouri City, TX, 77489, (281)948-1935 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Member Knox absent.

Mr. Joshua Bullard, 3328 McGown, 77004, 9832)258-7511 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Member Knox absent.

Ms. Bridget Alexander McDaniel, P.O. Box 53993, 77052, (713)987-3854 appeared and stated that she did speak with Council Member Boykins about homelessness and she told him that she would contact his office, what was going on was that she was still homeless in Council Member Davis District and would be back next Tuesday and when Mayor Turner ran for Office for the first time that was when this started with the Police and she thanked Mayor Turner for resolving that. Council Member Knox absent.

Ms. Gracie Saenz, 5503 Lawndale St., 77023, (281)888-4409 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and behalf of the North Side Neighborhood Council and

stated she wanted to thank all of them for their public service to this City and as a former Council Member, a Mayor Pro Tem and now a Community Member, she had some concerns, concerns about the Near Northside and she wanted to also thank Chief Montaivo, Lieutenant McGowen, the HPD Investigators from Homicide and the HPD Department, who assisted in the capture of the expected murderer of Josue Flores and her thanks to Council Member Cisneros in her efforts to rally around the community, to begin the much needed work in turning the Northside into a livable and safe neighborhood, since the first moment of the tragedies an awaken had been happening in the near Northside, it was a tragedy that stirred angry, heartbreak, confusion, sadness and an awaken in their responsibilities as citizens in this City, they realize as the Public Officials cannot do it all, that all of their Departments and governmental Agencies cannot do it all, all the Churches, based Organizations cannot do it all and ask that Council work with the Northside to put an end to problems in the area. Council Members Davis and Knox absent.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Saenz.

Ms. Sarah Castillo, 307 Winnie St., 77009, (281)610-5965 appeared and stated that she was a resident of the Near Northside and had been for the majority of her of life, that they have two small children that they were raising in the neighborhood that they love and this murder of Josue Flores had shaken them to the core, it had made her fearful to let her children go outside of her house, they had dealt with the homeless population and transient population since they purchased their home in 2001 and even before that when they were growing up in the area, none of these issues were new, she understands that homeless was not a crime but there were crimes that were taking place because of this transient population and in recent years these crimes had been exacerbated because of the increase drug activity on the corridor. Council Member Davis absent

Members of Council questioned Ms. Castillo at length.

Mr. Adrian Garcia, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that he was present to address the Near Northside issues as others have today regarding the community concerns, he first wanted to thank the Mayor as well of Chief Montaivo for the investigation and he also wanted to thank Council Member Cisneros and Mayor Turner for attending the Super Neighborhood meetings and in the meeting they heard of the angry, frustration and the distrust and the only thing he can think of in his years of service had seen an event like this that had shocked, stirred an angrier a community, he just had not seen that, he had seen his fair share of homicides but one like this was not something he had witnessed before, no child deserved to die like this and his neighborhoods want to offer suggests that may help ease the tension. Council Members Davis, Martin and Knox absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Garcia at length.

Ms. Deborah Elaine Allen, 12000 Martin Luther King, No. 2059, 77048, (713)264-0127 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Martin and Knox absent.

Mr. Bill Maddock, 214 Henry St., 77009, (713)703-3402 appeared and stated he was also present to speak about the Near Northside and in his opinion the best way to resolve the homeless problem was to remove the Salvation Army, the Salvation Army was a mismanaged drug center right in the intersection of Quitman and North Main, it was not a coincidence that the homeless hang out right there, one block from the Elementary School and it was no coincidence that the man who was charged with murder of Josue Flores was found at the Salvation Army,

this Salvation Army draws these people into the community, the 30 or 40 people sitting on Main street at any given time where not from the community, they were drawn there by the Salvation Army; he was requesting the City pull the funding and requesting that the City sue the Salvation Army as a public nuisance. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Carmen Nuncio, 4716 Hain, 77009, (713)695-9144 appeared and stated she wanted to thank Council Member Cisneros for her leadership and her dedication on what she was about to speak on; it had been a month in a half on the death of the 11 year old Josue Flores, their prayers were with the family and as they appreciate everything the Salvation Army does for the City homeless but they feel that this building was too close their schools, they need serious action taken or they need to consider moving the building, their students in the community should not be witness to the homeless urinating in front of their schools or taking off their clothes in front of them, they need their children to feel safe in walking to and from school, they need HPD and Metro Police to be more visible. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.  
**NO QUORUM**

Members of Council questioned Ms. Nuncio.

Ms. Petra Olvera, 411 James St., 77009, (832)951-7381 appeared and stated that there was a petition that she started to relocate the Salvation Army and they have 1,300 and still growing and she was present to speak on behalf of her community, they as community realize that the homeless was a City wide problem and therefore they realize there should be a City wide resolution, right now the only people that were suffering the load of this program was the Near Northside, the matter of which these things had operated over the past 43 years as greatly impacted the fruadness and had led to the death of Josue Flores; the steps of the Salvation Army that had proposed still needed to be proven in theory, in addition, the Coalition for the Homelessness, SEARCH and other agencies have to do their part in treating, supervising, guiding, evaluating the individuals that were from the street and in the program and the Near Northside was not and should not be responsible for the short comings of the risk and safety concerns that was associated in having these types of programs in the heart of a residential area, the Salvation Army must move to another location, they could be repurposed as a Girls and Boys Club. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Ms. Sharon North, 4353 Elmwood St., 77051, (832)888-8339 appeared and stated that she actually came to speak to the Mayor and to request the Mayor to give her 20 minutes to talk about her wrongful termination and that was the only person that she really wanted to speak to, she had sent him an e-mail, went through scheduling, she had done everything and she was up here but he was not here, she does not know what to do, she wants to speak with him, it was important and she wanted to speak to him in private, she sent an e-mail and got no response. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen advised for her to speak with Kevin Keifer, he was with Human Resources.

Ms. Colette Flanagan, 512 Northhampton Rd., Dallas, TX, 75115, (214)989-8888 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated she was the Founder of

Mother Against Police Brutality, they were present in support of Officer Kathy Swilley and other officers like Demetrius Wright that had been unjustly terminated by the Houston Police Department, in re-instating Officer Swilley would be a huge step in repairing the relationship with communities that had been hurt and effected by Police brutality and it would show a path of transiency, are they listening, are they listening to the communities that were effected by Police brutality and that one Officer like Officer Swilley that they can trust, that they would make the right decision, they want Officers like Officer Swilley to be in contact with their families and their children. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Ms. Sarah Mokuria, 8918 Brestshire Dr., Dallas, TX, 75228, (214)454-3980 appeared and stated that she met some of the Council Members couple weeks ago, a cultural of silence, breeds a cultural of killing and violence in their community, they heard a lot about that today, she would like to speak about re-instating Kathy Swilley because it was Officers like that who speak out against discrimination that they need in the Police Force, when they have Officers that were willing to risk their lives, to speak out about corruption in the Department, they know that they were willing to do justice in their community and at 10 years old she was witness of two officers that killed her father, she wished that Officer Kathy Swilley was the one that came to the door that night, how different her life would have been and she urges Council to re-instated her. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. David Atwood, 1802 Kipling St., 77098, (832)693-5710 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Otis Granville, 16326 Lazy Ridge Rd., 77053, (832)865-9416 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Ms. Kathy Swilley, 10903 Bensbrook Dr., 77099, (832)594-2025 appeared and stated that she been here three times, she was told that her case had already been through the courts, this case was not about the court cases, this case was about conspiracy and Police misconduct and displayed a newspaper and it does not need to be investigated because in this newspaper, The Houston Forward Time, she had listed the evidence to prove that she was wrongfully terminated, something has to be done when Police Officers falsify documents and they get away with it, there was not one person that looked at her file and said that HPD wrongfully terminated her, she had 6 sergeants that had testified on her behalf, she had 3 Union Attorneys that said there was nothing in her file to show that nothing related to her termination, she was wrongfully terminated, she would like to be re-instated and the dishonorable discharge removed from her record so she can get a job. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Erin Chavez, 15414 Palmway St., 77071, (713)501-0135 appeared and stated that she thanked Council for hearing from her Near Northside colleagues and she wanted to share some information to Members of Council; On May 26<sup>th</sup> at their Near Northside Super Neighborhood meeting, they were told that HPD was working with community partners to get them coverage and resources and that agencies were sharing resources and not duplicating themselves, that HISD Police also said that the agencies had pulled together, the safety issues

on the Near Northside following Josue Flores murder were being put together, Interim Chief Montaivo reiterated this reinsurance during the press conference this past weekend, she was requesting the Council at this time to consider the improvements which maybe had and in communicating the specific details about resources to the community, to consider a plan to impact students safety during hours, the 13 to 16 HISD Police Officers patrol each shift and the patrol of the Northside area could not create a positive shift in student safety alone. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Georgina LaVallee, 517 Allston St., 77007, (832)419-4233 appeared and stated that she volunteered 72 hours per year and she worked full time and her husband was overseas, she was going to let Members of Council know what she wants, she lives in District C, she lives directly next to Trammell Crowe Apartment Complex that was going up and they were going up all over the City, she understands it's not just her, they were going into good neighborhoods, they do not want them, she understands things change and it was already approve but she was hoping that there could be some interventions to reassess what the Engineering Department had approved, they were only improving the street that was directly between two giant complexes that were going up, they were widening the streets to 30 feet wide and it was creating a bottle neck, they were only widening the street in front of their property and the rest of the street would remain 17 feet wide and it does not make any sense. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen advised Ms. LaVallee to speak with Mr. Norman, he maybe able to help her with the issue.

Mr. Art Trombetta, 517 Allston St., 77007, (832)419-4233 appeared and stated that he lives on the same block, the 500 block of Allston Street, there was a 5 acre Trammel Development, they have a curb and gutter system and the system was connected to the ditch and his yard was flooding and it was only going to get worse when they bring the two online to go into the street and into the curb and gutter, he wanted to raise awareness of the parking, gutter and drainage system problems. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen urged him to also speak with Mr. Norman.

Ms. Dorothy Dawson, 5859 Hirondelet St., 77033, (713)733-8734 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated she was present on behalf of parking at the Miller Outdoor Theater, during Memorial weekend, Miller Outdoor put on one of the biggest performances that they had in the summer and that was dancing in the streets, there were cars everywhere, the streets were blocked and really no place to park, she found a new parking area, it was on the East side of the Miller Theater which she parked in there, she went on the last row and it said reserved parking, so she parked the seconded to last row, there was only one spot left and she wanted to speak on behalf of all the residents that got ticketed and speak on the future because when they do performances like that there was nowhere to park and they had a whole row of empty parking spots but it was reserved parking, her ticket was resolved but there were a whole a lot of people that still have tickets. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Janice Brantley, 5601 Royal Palms, Apt.No.134, 77021, (713)820-3567 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council

Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mr. Al Castillo, 5341 Nolda St., 77007, (832)455-1867 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated that he was long time resident of the Near Northside, his family represents four generations, he went to Marshall Middle School and he was present to speak about the half way houses and flop houses that were in the Near Northside, he did a canvas of the Near Northside and he was confident there were going to be 8 entities of half way houses and flop houses, he came away from that canvas and there were actually 14 in the Near Northside that were near the schools and churches and on further discussion with other long time community members, he found out there were 22 halfway houses and flop houses, that represents saturation, he means they were inundated by homeless and the felons and the flop houses were just sitting there. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Mayor Turner stated that he would find half way houses in District B, District D, District H, District I, District J, and District K and in District D there were more than 26 and in District B there were more than 20 and District I there were more than 20; they would find fewer Half Way Houses in District F, District G, District E.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Castillo.

Mr. Lionardo Matamores, 415 Quitman St., 77009, (713)485-9436 appeared and stated that he lives 2 blocks away from the Salvation Army and he sees this problem everyday, he does not want to go over some of the things that were already talked about but he wanted to thank Council Member Cisneros and the Mayor for coming over to their center a couple of weeks ago, he has to make an exception when someone says that the Near Northside was a transient neighborhood, it was not a transient neighborhood, they only transient in the Near Northside was Main Street which he held up two pictures to present to Council, he has eight homes on that block, he was the new guy because he bought his Historical home four years ago and there was nothing transient about this neighborhood. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Matamores.

Mr. Dennis Murland, 115 Hyde Park Blvd., 77006, (832)858-5263 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Mr. Derek Lewis, P.O. Box 30021, 77230, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Ms. Shere Dore, 2901 Briarhurst St., 77057, (281)779-5996 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Mr. Craig Brown, 3424 Sakowitz, Apt.No.A311, 77020, (979)922-7678 appeared and stated he present to follow up on a couple of things, he was here about 3 weeks ago about the R&B situation in 5<sup>th</sup> Ward, the day that he got the information, that day they had a big raid so he wanted to thank the City for that, he was a Board Member for the homeless, he was not active right now, he had been homeless, he had stayed at the Salvation Army for a year and got his

life together and they have to understand people in transition were not bad people, they can be good people that were in transition, he was very passionate and last week he was homeless but he was home challenged, he got a storage room, during the daytime he was there and night time he was working, it was a mentality. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Ms. Cynthia Blate, 2610 Bringhurst St., 77026, (832)452-5248 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Mr. Johnny Taylor, 3262 Westheimer Rd., Suite 341, 77098, (832)756-4607 appeared and stated that he was here for three reasons, one, he was present to make a special request to the Mayor, he has a technology company here called Mobile Encryption Technology, they had secured a contract back in 2014, they were forced off of that contract due to politics, he had his name was put on security alert list which was preventing them to do more business with the City and they were also let off of another contract which was a \$5 million dollar contract for cyber security and he was requesting them to help him in getting the security alert lifted and also help him in getting replaced onto that cyber security contract because they were minority firm when that contract were awarded; he wanted to offer some low cost hiring terms solutions which was in cameras and drones and his final request was to work with the Mayor to convert the payphones around Houston into WiFi networks. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Dr. Alkebu Motapa, 5022 Cosby. 77021, (713)741-5150 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Mr. Fredrick Metoyer, 2572 Marilee Ln., 77057, (214)298-6088 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Mr. James Partsch-Galvan, 2705 Terry St., 77009, (713)528-2607 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Mr. Ebrahim Ulu, 5760 Gulfton St., 77081, (713)367-8303 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Mr. Stevens Orozco 5023 Redwing Brook Trail, Katy, TX, 77449, (281)943-9500 appeared and stated he was a fulltime student at Texas Southern University, fulltime activist, community organizer to Truth to Be Power, last time he spoke, he had a political conversation that he attached with the staff of Council Member Knox which that was addressed but he was hushed away when he was trying to say one sentence because the political conversation was dismissed and that was politics, National Politics was all that was being spoken of right now and five days later after being hushed away because they did not want to have a political conversation, National Politics came to Houston with a AR-15 and killed a Jewish man and spread the Christians and shot two Police Officers that answered a call, this man was possibly suffering PTSD. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.



Ms. Beth Lousteau, 316 Goldenrod St., 77009,(713)806-0762 appeared and stated that she signed up for two topics, 3 minutes for the Josue Flores matter and one minute for the White Oak Music Hall and since Josue Flores had been discussed already, she was going to speak on the White Oak Music Hall, serious question, since the White Oak Music Hall outdoor venue was famously temporarily, ground had not even been broken theoretically, HPD can now confirm that a citation had been issued for the violation of the Sound Ordinance, was there an opinion on the table to prevent the outdoor venue from becoming permanent why or why not. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Mayor Turner advised her that he did not have an answer to that and questioned Ms. Lousteau.

President Joseph Charles, Post Office Box 524373, 77052-4373, Houston, TX, appeared and requested more time and stated his subject was absolute Marshal Law, Salaries, Revoked, H/City, Texas/State, and Government Systems and continued to voice his personal experiences until his time expired. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

**Note:** During the public session 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 5:19 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 8, 2016, Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

At 8:37 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, June 8, 2016, Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Mike Laster, Robert Gallegos, Larry Green, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Mr. Ronald C. Lewis, City Attorney and Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present. Council Member Steve Le absent on personal business.

At 9:17 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting into order and recognized Council Member Christie for a procedural motion. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Council Member Christie moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of considering the Financial Report before the Public Hearing and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Travis, Green and Knox absent. **MOTION 2016-0283 ADOPTED**

**REPORT FROM CITY CONTROLLER AND THE CITY ADMINISTRATION REGARDING THE CURRENT FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE CITY** including but not limited to, a revenue, expenditure and encumbrance report for the General Fund, all special revenue funds and all enterprise funds, and a report on the status of bond funds- was presented

Mr. Chris Brown, City Controller and Mr. Kelley Dowe, Director of Finance reviewed the Monthly Operation and Financial report; copies of which are on file in the City Secretary's office for review.

After discussion, Council Member Christie moved to accept the monthly financial report and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent.

**MOTION 2016-0284 ADOPTED**

At 9:37 a.m. Mayor Turner stated that Council would move to the Consent Agenda.

**HEARING**

1. **PUBLIC HEARING** for the designation of a Green Corridor for a portion of Yale Street **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented,

Assistant Director Mike Kramer from Planning and Development presented a power point presentation relative to the application copies of which are on file in the City Secretary's office for review.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Kramer at length.

At 10:02 a.m. Mayor Turner stated that Council would move to the Public comments.

Ms. Anne Culver, 5615 Kirby Dr., 77005, (713)629-0481 appeared and stated that she was the President and CEO of a City Wide 501C3 called Scenic Houston and their mission was to encourage the development of Visual Character of all of the streetscapes, in Houston, the way we were built, the way laid out, visual character, community pride, health safety walk ability, clearer air was all very well represented by street tree plantings, they were very supportive because it meets their mission and the City Council was employing the tools of this Ordinance, the greens corridor designation along Yale which has such significant street trees was a great demonstration project of how this could be employed in other appropriate areas stretching across Houston; they were turning Broadway Street, 1.87 miles, a similar length to this project, they were taking a featureless, flat, gray airport corridor and stretch it into a green tree corridor and Trees of Houston was a part of this, they were planting 410 new trees, the trees were live Oaks; there had been a lot of support from different folks and Scenic Houston feels very strongly about, they were a City Wide Group, not just a Yale, Heights Group. Council Members Davis, Martin and Green absent.

Members of Council question Ms. Culver.

Mr. Jonathan Smulian, 1231 Arlington St., 77008, (713)863-9047 appeared and stated he lived in the Heights for the last 31 years, he was a Member of the Urban Forestry Committee of the Heights Association and he had been extremely very busy with a small group of community activist that were trying to get this first Yale Corridor designated because they think it was extremely important, Houston's Verdant Tree Cover was one of its most important assets and when you think of Houston, you think the image was defined by a tree cover; he had worked in 32 different countries and he can tell them from his experience that Houston, from a tree point of view, was one of the greenest cities in the World, in his world anyway and this was something that they should know about, should be publicized and it should be one of the major assists, the trees define Houston Image, in this particular corridor which it really was a demonstration project because it had not happen before, it not only enhance walkability, it would improve health, provide shade and improve property values and also act as buffer to increasing commuter traffic that was coming down through the Heights at the moment, they think it was very important, they had followed the Ordinance in every

detail and when they see the information, he was sure, that they would realize that their 90 days were extremely busy and it had taken two years from when they decided to do this and they would like to encourage Council to support this and this could be replicated in appropriate areas in all of the Council Members Districts. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin and Green absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Smulian at length.

Mr. Mark Williamson, 1433 Columbia, 77008, 9713)864-4230 appeared and stated that he was a 25 year resident of the Houston Heights, a Multi term Past President of Houston Heights Association and current President of the Great Heights Super Neighborhood but he was present today as a signatory of the application for this corridor and with him today were some of the other Members which they already heard from and Angela Dewree was Chair of the Committee and others that were with him that were the signatory and supporters; last year the Heights Association endorsed the idea of the green corridor on Yale Blvd both as a Civic Neighborhood Association and as property owners on Yale, in the affected corridor, in fact, their recent landscaping improvements they added several trees along Yale and that they were not quite big enough to be protected on Yale but they hope that they will be protected by this corridor when it was created, in October, the Houston Heights Association sent the Quality of Life Committee which they had seen that letter; in late December, he proudly signed a petition form on behalf of the Heights Association for their property on Yale at 12<sup>th</sup> Street once the City hall and Fire Station of Houston, Texas, then Houston Fire Department Station No.14 for seven decades and now the headquarters of the Houston Heights Association, in addition to the direct legal consequences of protecting smaller trees in the area, he was hoping for an affect that would inspire additional business and residents who have bare spots, there were bare spots in this corridor do not make any mistake about it, to plant additional trees, to plant larger trees even some of their neighbors who chose not to sign for moral reasons did say they support the concept and he would be happy to answer some question and he urged Council Members to support this. Mayor Turner, Council Members Davis, Boykins and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Williamson.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen asked if there was anyone else present who would like to speak about the designation of a Green Corridor for a portion of Yale Street and asked for them to come up and stated her name.

Ms. Angela Dewree, no address, no phone, appeared and stated she was the Chair of the Houston Urban Heights Forestry Committee, she was requesting Members of Council to support, The Houston Urban Heights Forestry Committee was made of volunteers that educate and advocate the community about living in tandem with the trees, by partnering with Trees for Houston, the City of Houston Urban Foresters, the Texas Forestry, the Native Plants Society, Houston Gardening Club, Texas Wildlife, the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts of America and more; the best time to plant a tree was 30 years ago and next best time was today, every tree counts; in 2005 Urban Forestry of Houston Heights Association partner with the City of Houston Urban Forester and his team who led volunteers to count every tree from 610 to I-10, Oxford Street to Shepherd, this data created the first GIS map documenting the right of way trees in Houston; the Houston Heights Urban Forestry celebrates Heights Gift of Trees Day by partnering with Arborists, Apache, the City of Houston nursery and local areas like Target to distribute free trees to the Neighborhood and over 1500 trees had been adopted into good homes, two years ago the Urban Tree Forestry undertook in creating the Houston first green corridor, thanks for the support to make this happen. Mayor Turner, Council Members Davis, Boykins and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Ms. DeWree.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen requested a motion to close the Public Hearing for the designation of a Green Corridor for a portion of Yale Street.

Council Member Robinson moved to close the Public Hearing for the designation of a Green Corridor for a portion of Yale Street and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **MOTION 2016-0285 ADOPTED**

### **MAYOR REPORT**

Mayor Turner stated that they had several conversations about IT and he wants an effective, long term strategic plan for IT that served the City's interest, he was pulling together a strategic team to specifically deal with IT and he also was inviting some people from the private sector to assist them, they going to help them to come up with a strategic plan as they move forward into dealing with IT, with some strategic direction, what was the long term plan that covers Citywide information technology, individual Departments plan because they were lacking right now and they were trying to pull all that together.

Furthermore, Mayor Turner stated he wanted address the issues from the Near Northside on the homeless population, he also was pulling together people from the Mayor's Homeless Initiative Programs, from Parks, Economic Development Team, HPD and others because they need to come up with a plan on how they were going to handle the homeless in the City, this was a big issue across the country.

At 10:55 a.m. Mayor Turner stated that they would move to the Consent Agenda.

### **CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 3 through 30**

#### **ACCEPT WORK** - NUMBERS 3 through 5

3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$679,829.37 and acceptance of work on contract with **T CONSTRUCTION, L.L.C.** for Utility System Infrastructure Improvement Contract - 3.49% over the original contract amount and under the approved 5% contingency amount- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2016-0286 ADOPTED**
4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$6,783,152.42 and acceptance of work on contract with **JFT CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Neighborhood Sewer Systems Improvements - Craigmont, Leeland and Market Street Force Main - 1.76% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICTS H - CISNEROS and I – GALLEGOS**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2016-0287 ADOPTED**
5. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$2,838,654.44 and acceptance of work on contract with **CLEANSERVE, INC** for Large Diameter Sanitary Sewer Inspection Using Robotic Technology - 4.02% under the original contract amount (4277-77)- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and

seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent.  
**MOTION 2016-0288 ADOPTED**

**PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS** - NUMBER 6

6. **APPROVE** payment to **TEXAS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL** for Pediatric Simulation Training for Emergency Pre-Hospital Providers for the Houston Fire Department - \$172,900.00 - General Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2016-0289 ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 7 through 30

7. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$170,000.00 out of Airport Improvement Fund; approving and authorizing agreement for exchange of real property interests wherein **REVISTA, INC** conveys tracts of land containing 8.24 acres to the City of Houston, Texas, in exchange for 35.00 acres of land, including all improvements thereon, adjacent to George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0431 ADOPTED**
8. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Compromise, Settlement Agreement between the City of Houston and **REVISTA, INC** pertaining to Tree Removal at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston - **DISTRICT B - DAVIS**  
**This item should only be considered after passage of Item 7 above-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0432 ADOPTED**
9. **ORDINANCE** accepting into the City Art Collection “*Edge of Sky*”, a work of art by Brower Hatcher to be placed at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston and approving and authorizing an agreement between the City of Houston and **BROOKFIELD PROPERTIES PARTNERS LLC** for donation of such work of art - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS**- the City Secretary advised that Item 9 had been pulled by the Administration and would not be considered.
10. **ORDINANCE** authorizing the sale of a surplus vacant lot consisting of approximately 2.0432 acres and located at 15085 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, Harris County, Texas [Parcel SY11-058]; approving and authorizing a Marketing Agreement between the City of Houston and **JAMES ROBERTSON, JR. dba WORKSPACE COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE**, for the marketing and sale of said lot **DISTRICT F – LE**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0433 ADOPTED**
12. **ORDINANCE** establishing the north and south sides of the 1600 block of West Main Street, 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 2016-0434 ADOPTED**
13. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$568,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the

City of Houston and **SES HORIZON CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC** for Melrose Park Section 2 Area Drainage and Paving Improvements; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016- 0435 ADOPTED**

- 14. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$750,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF as an additional appropriation to Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **AIA ENGINEERS, LTD.** for Neighborhood Street Reconstruction Project 454 (as approved by Ordinance No. 2013-0371); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery from the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF Fund - **DISTRICT G – TRAVIS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0436 ADOPTED**
- 16. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$12,307,375.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF, \$3,907,793.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF-A and \$5,266,332.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **SER CONSTRUCTION PARTNERS, LLC** for Martin Luther King Boulevard Reconstruction from IH-610(S) to Belfort Street; 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 services, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF, Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF-A and Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0437 ADOPTED**
- 18. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$19,987,925.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **LEM CONSTRUCTION CO., INC**, for Southwest Wastewater Treatment Plants Improvements (Package 3) setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0438 ADOPTED**
- 19. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$4,739,175.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **INDUSTRIAL TX CORP.** for Wastewater Process Unit Cleaning and Evaluation; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund (WW5210)- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0439 ADOPTED**
- 20. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$9,335,115.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **BOYER, INC** for Upper Brays Sanitary Sewer Tunnel Line Removal; 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 - **DISTRICTS F - LE and G – TRAVIS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0440 ADOPTED**

- 23. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$3,092,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **SCOHIL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, LLC**, for Water Line Replacement in Innsdale Area; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0441 ADOPTED**
- 25. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$4,171,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **MCKINNEY CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Water Line Replacement in Dodson Area; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and H – CISNEROS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0442 ADOPTED**
- 26. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$2,206,100.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **WEISINGER INCORPORATED** for New/Replacement of Water Well and Well Collection Line - Sims Bayou; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT K – GREEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0443 ADOPTED**
- 27. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$3,066,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **MEINERS CONSTRUCTION, LLC** for 24-Inch Water Line Replacement along W. Airport Boulevard from Fondren Road to Braewick Drive; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction phase engineering services and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT K – GREEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0444 ADOPTED**
- 28. ORDINANCE** granting to **SMOOTH MOVE SERVICES, LLC, A Texas Limited Liability Company**, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions

**FIRST READING-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent.  
**ORDINANCE 2016-0445 PASSED FIRST READING IN FULL**

- 29. ORDINANCE** No. 2016-397, passed second reading June 1, 2016  
ORDINANCE granting to **CACTUS DISPOSAL OF NORTH TEXAS, LP, dba CACTUS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, a Texas Limited Partnership**, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions - **THIRD AND FINAL READING-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0397 ADOPTED THIRD AND FINAL READING IN FULL**
- 30. ORDINANCE** No. 2016-398, passed second reading June 1, 2016  
ORDINANCE granting to **LONESTAR ECOLOGY, LLC, A Delaware 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 **THIRD AND FINAL READING-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0398 ADOPTED THIRD AND FINAL READING IN FULL**

### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- 2. RECOMMENDATION** from Director Administration & Regulatory Affairs Department for the designation of a residential parking permit area in the Super Neighborhoods of University Place:  
2400 block of Quenby (between Morningside and Kelvin), north side  
2300 block of Bolsover (between Morningside and Greenbriar)  
**DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Green and tagged by Council Member Kubosh. Council Member Davis absent.
- 11. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas, Seller, and **RIVERSIDE REAL ESTATE, LLC, Purchaser**, for the sale of approximately 1.273 acres of land located at 4215 Leeland Avenue, Houston, Harris County, Texas [Parcel No. SY15-044], for \$890,000.00 - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0446 ADOPTED**
- 15. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$2,797,112.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and \$491,364.00 from Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **TRIPLE B SERVICES, L.L.P.** for Hollister Road Paving and Drainage: White Oak Bayou to West Gulf Bank; 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 Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund **DISTRICT A – STARDIG-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0447 ADOPTED**



- 17. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$8,383,591.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF, \$2,698,835.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF, \$1,547,574.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund awarding contract to **SER CONSTRUCTION PARTNERS, LLC** for Gessner Paving and Drainage: Long Point to Neuens Road; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF, the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF, and the Water and Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0448 ADOPTED**
- 21. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$2,938,100.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **DCE CONSTRUCTION, INC**, for Water Line Replacement in Sharpstown Country Club Estates Area; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT J – LASTER**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0449 ADOPTED**
- 22. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$2,605,800.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **DCE CONSTRUCTION, INC**, for Water Line Replacement in Spring Woods South Area; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0450 ADOPTED**
- 24. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$3,108,600 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **D.L. ELLIOTT ENTERPRISES, INC** for Water Line Replacement in Langwood Area; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG and C – COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0451 ADOPTED**

**NON CONSENT AGENDA** - NUMBER 31

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**31. SET PUBLIC HEARING DATES** to consider whether to continue the Juvenile Curfew Ordinance (Sections 28-171 - 28-175, City of Houston Code of Ordinances)

**HEARING DATES - 9:00 A.M. - WEDNESDAY - JUNE 22 and JUNE 29, 2016-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen to set Public Hearing Dates for Wednesday June 22 and June 26, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none.  
**MOTION 2016-0290 ADOPTED**

**MATTERS HELD** - NUMBERS 32 through 37

**32. RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering to transfer funds in the amount of \$90,009.00 from Street and Drainage & Traffic Control DDSRF to the Houston Airport System Revenue 8001, for the transfer of Parcel AY14-150, located in the 3100 block of Greens Road, owned by the City of Houston, a Municipal Corporation situated in Harris, Fort Bend and Montgomery Counties, Texas, for the **GREENS ROAD PAVING AND DRAINAGE PROJECT from Aldine Westfield to John F. Kennedy Boulevard - DISTRICT B - DAVIS**  
**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DAVIS**

This was Item 5 on Agenda of June 1, 2016 – was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2016-0291 ADOPTED**

**33. MOTION** by Council Member Cohen/Seconded by Council Member Kubosh to adopt recommendation from Director of Department of Public Works & Engineering & the Chief Procurement Officer to approve spending authority in an amount not to exceed \$2,756,334.16 for Oracle Licenses and Software Maintenance through the Texas Department of Information Resources for the Department of Public Works & Engineering, awarded to **NEBULOGIC TECHNOLOGIES** - \$812,768.58 and **ORACLE AMERICA, INC** - \$1,943,565.58 - Enterprise and Other Funds - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GREEN**

This was Item 6 on Agenda of June 1, 2016- was presented, Council Member Green moved to refer Item 33 back to the administration and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2016-0292 ADOPTED**

**34. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$109,310,966.07 out of City of Houston, Texas Tax Increment Funds for Reinvestment Zone Numbers One, (Lamar Terrace Zone), Two (Midtown Zone), Three (Main Street/Market Square Zone), Five (Memorial Heights Zone), Six (Eastside Zone), Seven (Old Spanish Trail/Alameda Corridors Zone), Eight (Gulfgate Zone), Nine (South Post Oak Zone), Ten (Lake Houston Zone), Eleven (Greater Greenspoint Zone), Twelve (City Park Zone), Thirteen (Old Sixth Ward Zone), Fourteen (Fourth Ward Zone), Fifteen (East Downtown Zone), Sixteen (Uptown Zone), Seventeen (Memorial City Zone), Eighteen (Fifth Ward Zone), Nineteen (Upper Kirby Zone), Twenty (Southwest Houston Zone), Twenty-One (Hardy/Near Northside Zone), Twenty-Two (Leland Woods Zone), Twenty-Three (Harrisburg Zone), Twenty-Four (Greater Houston Zone), and Twenty-Five (Hiram Clarke/Fort Bend Zone) for payment of affordable housing costs, payment of administrative expenses, payment of project costs, payment to **HOUSTON HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION**, and payments to certain redevelopment authorities as provided herein - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS DAVIS and KUBOSH**

This was Item 11 on Agenda of June 1, 2016- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0452 ADOPTED**

- 35. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$61,612,293.66 out of City of Houston, Texas Tax Increment Funds for Reinvestment Zone Numbers One, (Lamar Terrace Zone), Two (Midtown Zone), Three (Main Street/Market Square Zone), Five (Memorial Heights Zone), Six (Eastside Zone), Seven (Old Spanish Trail/Almeda Corridors Zone), Eight (Gulfgate Zone), Nine (South Post Oak Zone), Ten (Lake Houston Zone), Reinvestment Zone Number Eleven (Greater Greenspoint Zone), Twelve (City Park Zone), Thirteen (Old Sixth Ward Zone), Fourteen (Fourth Ward Zone), Fifteen (East Downtown Zone), Sixteen (Uptown Zone), and Eighteen (Fifth Ward Zone) for affordable housing, administrative expenses, payment of project costs, payments to **HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**, payment to **HOUSTON HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION**, and payments to certain redevelopment authorities as provided herein  
**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS DAVIS and KUBOSH**

This was Item 12 on Agenda of June 1, 2016- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0453 ADOPTED**

- 36. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$9,707,860.02 out of City of Houston, Texas Tax Increment Funds for Reinvestment Zone Numbers Two, (Midtown Zone), Three (Main Street/Market Square Zone), Eight (Gulfgate Zone), Nine (South Post Oak Zone), Eleven (Greater Greenspoint Zone), Fifteen (East Downtown Zone), and Twenty-Five (Hiram Clarke/Fort Bend Zone) for administrative expenses, payment of project costs, and payments to certain redevelopment authorities as provided herein - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS KUBOSH AND DAVIS**

This was Item 13 on Agenda of June 1, 2016- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0454 ADOPTED**

- 37. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing submission of an application to the US Department of Transportation's Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment Grant for the Downtown and Midtown Intelligent Transportation Project; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund  
**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS STARDIG and KUBOSH**

This was Item 22 on Agenda of June 1, 2016- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0455 ADOPTED**

**MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS** - Council Member Martin first

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 Cohen, Martin, Laster, Knox and Kubosh absent. Council Member Steve Le absent on personal business.

**DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY**

**MINUTES READ AND APPROVED**

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Anna Russell, City Secretary

