City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, August 23, 2016

The Houston City Council convened at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 23, 2016; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Larry Green, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Sandra Eidson, Chief of the Neighborhood Services Section of the Legal Department; Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present.

At 1:59 p.m. Mayor Tem Cohen called the meeting of City Council to order and stated that Council would start with presentations. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Green and Knox absent.

Council Member Boykins invited Anthony Hall to the podium and stated the Bronze Eagles Flying Club of Texas was founded in 1967 in Houston as a nonprofit volunteer organization dedicated to the promotion of aviation, particularly with young people by providing scholarships and mentoring for them as it supports their potential to participate fully in all facets of the aviation industry; the Bronze Eagles Flying Club of Texas was a chapter of the Black Pilots of America and has regional components in Austin, San Antonio, Dallas and Waco, it regularly conducts flying activities at various venues in Texas and the nation to provide the opportunity for flying and fellowship and Bronze Eagles Flying Club of Texas has hosted the Les Morris Black Pilots of America Summer Flight Academy for 14 consecutive years at Texas Southern University and Ellington Airport and students from across the country participate in this two weeks program that focuses on aviation related activities to include pilot training, ground school and career opportunities in the aviation industry and since the inception of the Summer Flight Academy in 1972, the Academy has provided this experience to over 750 students; on July 26, 2016, the Bronze Eagles Flying Club of Texas will be honored and the City of Houston commends the Bronze Eagles Flying Club of Texas for its invaluable community service to this city and nation and therefore Mayor Pro Tem Cohen on behalf of Mayor Turner proclaimed July 26, 2016, as Bronze Eagles Flying Club of Texas Day in Houston, Texas. Mayor Turner, Council Member Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Council Member Gallegos stated that he has the honor of recognizing four WWII Veterans and to also thank them for their service and their sacrifices and he invited Mr. David De La Cruz, Mr. Vicente Moreno, Mr. Marcos M. Barelas and Mr. David Loredo to the podium and stated they were also Members of Gathering of Eagles which was an organization that does a lot of good work in the East End and the City of Houston, the first one that Council Member Gallegos would like to recognized was Marcos M. Barelas.

Marcos M. Barelas was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1942. He first served with the HQ Company 1st Battalion, White Combat Team, and the Composite 5307th Provisional. He volunteered for a hazardous jungle warfare mission in Burma with Merrill's Marauders, named after General Frank Merrill. Merrill's Marauders operated in China, Burma and India. Once in India, he trained for a couple of months before walking to Burma with 3,000 troops for action with the Japanese and in Burma, Marcos M. Barelas saw much action and hardship, including a 14-mile barefoot walk through the jungle because his boots had rotten away. He continued fighting bravely and was honorably discharged in 1945. Upon completion of the mission, every member of the Marauders received the Bronze Star, and the unit received the Presidential Unit Citation for accomplishing its mission under extremely difficult conditions, Marcos M. Barelas' service has been recognized by Congressman Gene Green who bestowed him with additional medals: the Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign medal.
Marcos M. Barelas was honored during Veterans Appreciation Day for his contributions to the country and his service in World War II. He received several medals, including the Bronze Star Attachment (double), WWII Victory Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge 1st Award, and Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII. At 93 years old, he is still very active in WWII meetings, Veteran's Day Parades and Fourth of July Parades and is loved and respected by all, on August 23, 2016, Marcos M. Barelas will be honored during Veterans Appreciation Day. The City of Houston commends and salutes Marcos M. Barelas in recognition and appreciation for his loyal service as his selflessness in serving our country is truly admirable and therefore Mayor Pro Tem Cohen on behalf of Mayor Turner proclaimed August 23, 2016, as Marcos M. Barelas Day in Houston, Texas.

David De La Cruz enlisted in the Army Air Corps in December of 1945. He was shuttled back and forth due to overcrowded enlistment but was finally processed on January 18, 1946. He served in Berlin, Germany, from August 1946 to May 1948, he was later recalled to serve in the Korean War in 1950 but was honorably discharged five months later, with a Private First Class rank, due to a hardship after his father passed away and he was needed at home to help support his mother and eight brothers and sisters. During his service, he received five medals: the Victory Medal, Occupation Medal, Sharp Shooter Medal, Good Conduct Medal and Longevity Medal, after proudly serving his country, David De La Cruz went on to work for Foley’s part-time where he fought tirelessly for equal pay and dedicated 50 years to working in the Electronics Department as the first Mexican-American employed in that department, eager to further his education, he went to night school at San Jacinto College and graduated with a certificate in electronics and determined to be a self-made man, he started his own business, David Television Service, which he owned for 27 years before retiring, he provided repair services on warranties with all the major television brands and he was also the first satellite installer in the Houston area before cable entered the market and David De La Cruz married Mary Lou Mares on August 29, 1952, and they enjoyed many years of marital bliss until she passed, together, they were blessed with two daughters. On August 23, 2016, David De La Cruz will be honored during Veterans Appreciation Day and the City of Houston commends and salutes David De La Cruz in recognition and appreciation for his loyal service as his selflessness in serving our country is truly admirable and therefore Mayor Pro Tem Cohen on behalf of Mayor Turner proclaimed August 23, 2016, as David De La Cruz Day in Houston, Texas.

Council Member Gallegos stated David Loredo was born on March 20, 1925, to Cirilo Catarina Loredo in Sinton, Texas. Soon after turning 18, he was drafted into the Army, on January 9, 1945, his unit hit the beach in the Philippine Islands and he was wounded on March 17, 1945, while leading a Recon Patrol, for which he received a Silver Star and a Purple Heart, he was evacuated to the front lines to recover from his wound. He recovered from his wound in time to take part in the occupation in Yokohama, Japan, until late November 1945, he was discharged on December 18, 1945, and returned to his family a hero and in November 2009, David Loredo was asked to participate in the Veterans Day Parade, in downtown Houston as a WWII Silver Star Recipient. It was shortly thereafter that he was approached by the U.S. Latino & Latina WWII Oral History Project Group, wanting to recognize the Hispanic Americans for their service during WWII, on August 23, 2016; David Loredo will be honored during Veterans Appreciation Day. The City of Houston commends and salutes David Loredo in recognition and appreciation for his loyal service as his selflessness in serving our country is truly admirable and therefore Mayor Pro Tem Cohen on behalf of Mayor Turner proclaimed August 23, 2016, as David Loredo Day in Houston, Texas.

Council Member Gallegos recognized Vicente Moreno and stated he was born on January 22, 1924, served in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1945 in the 475 Infantry Regiment,
Long Range Penetration, 5332nd Special Ops Brigade, meaning that he was dropped off in India and picked up a year later around Burma or Southern China, this theatre of operations is called the China-Burma-India Theatre. In the 5332nd Special Ops Brigade, he was assigned to the 612th Field Artillery Battalion, and after this battalion lost too many men, he was reassigned to the 613th Field Artillery Battalion and for his troubles, he received the much coveted Infantry Combat Badge, a Bronze Star for Valor, two Asiatic Pacific Battle Stars, a Good Conduct Medal and WWII Victory Medals. On August 23, 2016, Vicente Moreno will be honored during Veterans Appreciation Day and the City of Houston commends and salutes Vicente Moreno in recognition and appreciation for his loyal service as his selflessness in serving our country is truly admirable and Mayor Pro Tem Cohen on behalf of Mayor Turner proclaimed August 23, 2016, as Vicente Moreno Day in Houston, Texas.

Members of Council and the audience gave Mr. David De La Cruz, Mr. Vicente Moreno, Mr. Marcos M. Barelas and Mr. David Loredo a standing ovations. Council Member Green absent.

At 2:31 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Boykins for the invocation and he invited Pastor Joe and Yolanda Paramore to offer the invocation and Council Member Boykins led the pledge of allegiance. Council Members Cisneros, Green and Kubosh absent.

At 2:35 p.m. the roll was called. Council Members Cisneros and Green absent.

Council Member Cohen moved to adopt the minutes for August 2 & 3, 2016 and August 10 & 11, 2016 and seconded by Council Member Knox. Council Members Cisneros and Green absent. MOTION ADOPTED

Council Member Travis recognized two of his youngest constituents from Boy Scouts Troop 730 that were in the Chamber and requested them to stand.

Council Member Davis moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Ms. Adrienne Sax out of order and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Cisneros, Gallegos and Green absent. MOTION 2016-0388 ADOPTED

Council Member Kubosh moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Cynthia Pharms out of order and seconded by Council Member Laster, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Cisneros, Gallegos and Green absent. MOTION 2016-0389 ADOPTED

Council Member Boykins moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Ms. Olivia Randle, Ms. Jacqueline Hopes, Ms. Wilma Lindsey and Ms. Mary Edwards out of order and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Cisneros, Gallegos and Green absent. MOTION 2016-0390 ADOPTED

Council Member Laster moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Ms. Charmaine Le Blanc out of order and seconded by Council Member Cohen, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Cisneros, Gallegos and Green absent. MOTION 2016-0391 ADOPTED

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

Ms. Adrienne Sax, NRG Stadium, Two NRG Park, 77054, (832)667-2139 appeared and stated that she was with the Houston Texans, she was the Senior Community Development Manager and was present to present to Mayor Turner and City Council on behalf of the Texans the 2015-2016 Community Impact Report, this report details their community involvement over
the last year and she also want to thank all of them for their support and partnership with the Texans and they appreciate the work with the City of Houston; two of the Texans cheerleaders had packages for Members of Council and cookies. Council Members Stardig, Cisneros and Green absent.

Ms. Cynthia Pharms, 4700 Wenda, 77033, (713)557-8100 appeared and stated she wanted to come and do a special thank you to the Mayor, State Representative Borris Miles, their Commissioner Gene, Tomaro Bell for getting their traffic light, yesterday marked a day when the community folks and advocates worked together with Mayor Turner and want to tell him thank you for his special leadership role in working with the community and they look forward to working with them for future projects, they had been working on this for years and it didn't happen until he got involved and they were so happy, they did their drill yesterday, the Seniors were so excited and that Mayor Turner heard their cry and they have one suggestion about the light and that was to make it a little longer so those in wheel chairs can cross. Council Members Stardig, Cisneros and Green absent.

Mayor Turner stated that they were working on extending the lights but he also wanted to acknowledge that he worked very closely with their Council Member and that they will get the time extended.

Ms. Olivia Randle, 6023 Beldart St., 77033, (713)733-2348 appeared and stated she was President of Precinct 239 Neighborhood Civic Club and she was so thankful for the light and thanks to all of the Council Members for supporting the light on Wenda and Cullen, they passed by there today and she was in the drill with them yesterday and like Ms. Pharms said they must have some more minutes on that light because by the time they try to cross, the hand goes up for no walking and that was a busy street and she hopes they can make note of that right away, they need like 30 more seconds because she walks slow; she also wanted to speak about the drainage on Bellfort as they need regular cleaning of the outlets, she knows that the people were doing a good job and she knows they cannot come as often as they would like because they do not have enough people to do it, so she was wondering if Council Member Boykins if they can speed that time up, she believes they have so many times a year but by Bellfort being a main street and all of the weeds, the culverts need cleaning, the dirt would be there and it cannot drain that much, they did a good job before but they do need to have the outlets cleaned out on a regular bases and she calls all the time for the grass to be cut on Vasser Road more often. Council Members Stardig, Travis, Cisneros and Green absent.

Council Member Boykins questioned Ms. Randle.

Ms. Jacquelyn Hopes, 10012 Cullen Blvd. No. 312, 77051, (713)731-0044 appeared and stated she just wanted to congratulate them, the staff and thank them for what they have done for them, they have received the lights and everything had been doing fine so far, she had to cross the crossway in the street and came back, it was fun and she wanted to tell them again that she appreciates all that they have done for them, all the time they put into it and did it very gracefully and she wanted to tell them to their faces and she appreciates that they all got together and got the job done because they said they were going to do it and it did not take anytime to get the lights up and they did it in 3 months. Council Members Stardig, Cisneros, Gallegos and Green absent.

Ms. Wilma Lindsey, P.O. Box 421743, 77242, (713)478-5303 appeared and stated she was Ms. Montgomery’s daughter and she wanted to come down to City Council and personally thank them for moving so quickly, it's been 4 months and the family appreciates that the City was making this a priority and the safety of the community and they do have one more request,
they appreciate the light but and in her honor and on her behalf they would like to rename Wenda Street to Wilma Street, if it was possible and for them to get back with them about the request and she wanted to thank them again for all the efforts. Council Members Stardig, Cisneros and Green absent.

Ms. Mary Edwards, 5767 Belmark St., 77033, (713)306-6132 appeared and stated she was 78 years old, her house was broken into on June 30th and she cannot afford to fix it, her alarm people called HPD and they did not come out and when she called and when she got home, the alarm people called her from school, it took HPD 45 minutes to get to her house and they did not do a thorough investigation, they did not do finger prints because they told her they could not take finger prints but she could, there had been some young guys sitting outside her house waiting for her to leave to go to class and she called HPD back to put an alert slip on her house and they did not know what that was, she needs help and she was afraid, Council Member Kubosh came to her house and looked at it and know she having is snails coming in her house when it rains and that was scary and she lives alone. Council Members Stardig, Cisneros and Green absent.

Ms. Charmaine Le Blanc, 7503 Croton Rd., 77036, (281)687-1323 appeared and stated she was present representing Sharpstown Civic Association, they were 6 years old, they have things that need to be fixed, repaired which they can do a lot of that on their own like mowing grass, pick up trash but every now and then they need help because it something that was little bit bigger than them and she knows that Council Member Laster was working on changing the prohibiting yard parking ordinance, not that it was not a great ordinance, it was the enforcement leg that need a little work and she was here to be the squeaky wheel to offer that they can really benefit this in Sharpstown and they want the enforcement to be done by anyone other than HPD as HPD has their hands full doing important things and issuing tickets to vehicles was not one of the things she wants them to do giving a higher hierarchy of things to do and she wanted to be squeaky and to say that it very important to Sharpstown, to have this worked on as quickly as possible and they were willing to help work on it also and she was passing out pictures to Members of Council of when PIP was not able to be enforced and how it affects their homes. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Cisneros, Green and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Council Member Laster questioned Ms. Blanc.

Mr. Li Zhang, 2808 Airline Dr., 77009, (210)685-2787 WILL BRING OWN TRANSLATOR, appeared and stated he was speaking in support of the Chinese Community Center New Horizon Expansion project and stated that he was 80 years old, he came from China with his wife in 2008, his time before the community center it was difficult to meet Seniors that shared the same language and cultural as him, he spent time alone not being able communicate or even see other Seniors which this led him to become very lonely and depressed and now that he goes there he is engaged into the programs and activities, he feels like his quality of life has improved, he had made friends, gained knowledge and found some type of purpose in his life; he knows from his experience that the Senior Center would help other Seniors to become more active and that was the reason he strongly supports and looked forward to the new Senior Center and what it has to offer. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Martin, Travis and Green absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Zhang.

Ms. Tomaro Bell, 3248 Charleston St., 77021, (713)825-8449 appeared and stated she wanted to come today to speak about Chapter 33 Amendments and the Bike Plan, she came
before speaking about different Directors of different Departments that have power that exceeds those that they have and they elected, one of the those individuals that she had spoken about before was the Director of Public Works, who has sole control of the IDM which was Infrastructure Design Manual, they do not have zoning buy they do have the Infrastructure Design Manual and the Public Works Director at his discretion can modify and change without it coming to Council but it does affect Council; currently the Planning Director has given himself sole autonomy to change and modify without annual review which they already have in the Mass Transit Plan but none for the Bike Plan and in addition he also gets to decide whether or not they get public input, the Bike Plan was going to affect the entire City, why should one person that was unelected have all that power, she does not understand, in addition in Chapter 26 the off street parking he grants himself again that same power, Super Neighborhood Alliance was governed and introduce by Lee Brown to engage the Public; the Bike Plan is 300 pages long, the devil in the detail and Members of Council do not have time sit down and look through the Bike Plan and no individual should trump Members of Council. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Bell.

Council Member Cisneros moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Mr. George Rodriguez, Ms. Alida Rodriguez and Mr. Aaron Rodriguez out of order and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. MOTION 2016-0392 ADOPTED

Ms. Dorris Robinson, 1520 Isabella, 77004, (713)524-0786 appeared and stated as they know and as they witness citizen participation was a long process that usually yields best practice results it forages outcomes figures that can be workable and lasting and therefore on behalf of Friends of Emancipation Park, they were present to thank Mayor Turner and the City Council Members foreseeing the value of working with citizens of Houston who had functioned since 2007 presenting programs for revitalization for Emancipation Park. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Mr. Samuel Dinkins III, 11523 Stancliff Rd., 77099, (281)799-0642 appeared and stated in support of the agreement which was item 51 on the agenda for approving and authorizing joint operation, maintenance and programming agreement between the City and Emancipation Park Conservancy for Emancipation Park, he is the President, Owner, Operator, Driver of the Dinky Drum Company, LLC that was located in the Greater Third Ward and his company provides musical services through their school of music, entertainment services that they have offer and given to the City of Houston and the programming that they take to the schools and they feel with the support of Council for this agreement will benefit the community and thank them for that support and put a list of programs that all of the arts organizations located in the Greater Third Ward community that would like to bring to Emancipation Park which they would like to occur year around and they value the importance of the park and the envision of the four founders, the park was a great source to their City, a great treasure for the State and it also a National and International that they can benefit from for the City as a tourist attraction and thanks for supporting this agreement and he hopes that they take all of the things he spoke about into consideration. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Ms. Naomi Carrier, 3400 Main St., 77002, (713)252-5326 appeared and stated she was the Founder, CEO of the Texas Center for African American Living History and thanked them for the opportunity to support an agreement that will be reached between the Houston City of Parks
and Recreation and the Emancipation Park Conservancy because for the fact that Emancipation Park has the potential to be transformational, it probably the most significant heritage tourism in Houston and it had potential to interpret the education, scientific, historical and cultural presence of the African Americans and the slavery from with they were emancipated and its value as the oldest public park in the City and the presence a gateway not only local history but Statewide history and International history as it concerns the memory of American most significant victory and she was present in support of the programming of Emancipation Park and had been envisioned by Conservancy as a generator of something that was transformational, something that can help the race relations in the City and thanked them for their participation. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Kubosh absent.

Mr. George Rodriguez, 2601 N. Main, 77009, (713)223-0716 was presented but declined to speak at this time. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Kubosh absent.

Ms. Alida Rodriguez, 2601 N. Main, 77009, (713)223-0716 appeared and stated she owns a grocery store on North Main and the back of the street of that Keene Street and she was go to pass out information to Members of Council on what she found out yesterday, she found this poster, it stated “notice a request to abandon this street had been received by the City” she was talking about Keene which that was in the back of her store, they were the neighborhood little tiny grocery store and she was present to protest that they close Keene street and she understands that the Mayor had been to the White Oak Music Hall, as he knows it was on a hill, North Main has no driveway access for the residents and all residents that live on North Main have to drive on Keene Street to get to their houses and this was the street that they were talking about abandoning, they have no access expect for Keene, the drainage goes through Keene and White Oaks Bayou, it was important that they do not close this street, they it does not have gutters, they do not have sidewalks and she would also pass more pictures of what Keene Street looks like and she was requesting help and she was requesting for them not to close Keene Street. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis and Cisneros absent.

Mayor Turner and Council Member Cisneros questioned Ms. Rodriguez and requested that she and her family meet with her and Gary Norman from the Public Works in the back to discuss this further.

Council Member Laster moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Mr. Robert Muhammad out of order and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis and Cisneros absent. MOTION 2016-0393 ADOPTED

Mr. Aaron Rodriguez, 2601 N. Main, 77009, (713)223-0716 appeared and stated he was the son and he was a resident on the 2600 block of Keene Street and the abandonment from his home and toward the end of the street, he was against any kind of barricades or walls at the dead and to be put out in this community and right now he was being bullied by the people doing this construction which he had noticed many violations, blocking traffic, parking, debris and pallets that were stacked up and the trucks that they were using was tearing up the road and if Council supports this abandonment, they just tied the hands of anyone that were using that street to come in and out; this was very concerning and alarming to the business owners and the residents of this street and only being notified by this sign that been put out, please take considerations of the land owners, homeowners that had been using this street and their quality
of life is so bad right now. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros and Kubosh.

Mr. Robert Muhammad, 4443 Old Spanish Trail, 77021, (832)236-9956 appeared and stated he was in full support of Mayor Turner decision to cancel the Fountainview project as it was put together, 56 million dollars, 233 housing units, he believes that the scale was to large for the community, it cost too much and it did not provided enough affordable units to justify the construction of this project and he did not support it for a broader reason because they have a Bicycle Mater Plan coming up, a Parks Master Plan and a Major Thoroughfare Master Plan but they do not have a Community Development Master Plan and a Housing Master Plan to compliments it and the closest thing they have to that was the consolidated plan that was put together by Housing and Community Development to pull down block grant money from HUD, they need to do better than that, they need two complimentary master plan, a community development master plan and the other a housing plan and although the Mayor stated that he will reissue the RFP to build affordable housing units in certain areas, no one should have to move to another side of town to get access to good schools, a variety of retails and he states let’s make all neighborhoods of Houston safe, decent places to live, work and play and what was required of them was to have to courage to change our thinking, our action and the way we have gone down before; he thinks they should have an approach that saying housing in all pricing points, so that we are not dumping all affordable housing in certain areas but to distribute this all over and he was looking forward to working with the new Director, Council Members and members of the Mayor staff. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le Travis and Cisneros absent.

Mayor Turner and Members of Council questioned Mr. Muhammad.

Mr. Jonathan Weigand, 3804 Brandt St. No. 201, 77006, (713)306-2352 appeared and stated that he was 11 year stage four cancer survivor and until July he had 3 strokes, on July 20th he started having TIA which mean transient Ischemic Attacks which also means a stroke was coming which his doctors told him that would be fatal, someone called the paradematics, thanked his caregiver and the people at Memorial Herman where he went for the last 11 years, however 18 personal from Police, Fire and 2 of EMT and he took a turn for the worse like out of a Steven King novel and then he held up a bag that said Memorial Hermann but however they decided to taunt, ask him the same questions repeatedly which furthered his frustration and wasted time, they took him to Ben Taub hospital, he had insurance for 11 years, he thinks it was a horrible disgrace and it was done out meanness and he does not find it funny, he could have lost his life, Ben Taub had no idea who he was and he was requesting that their employment with the City be terminated immediately and stated that he spoke to many people in the Mayor’s Office and they were shocked to hear and he was still shocked to this day, when they took to Ben Taub even the nurses told them why did they bring him there and they taught he was a joke. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Knox and Robinson absent.

Mr. Cedric Hamilton, 4403 Ebbtide Dr., 77045, (713)894-4823 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Knox and Robinson absent.

Mr. Kevin Itima, 6000 Reims Rd., 77036, (832)630-0799 appeared and stated he was a former small business owner and home developer in the Heights area and he wanted to speak to everyone about general contractors, he knows that Members of Council heard about their misappropriating funds and steal and they all been told as business owners and homeowners that it was a civil matter and they try to follow that but after losing so much money to the
contractors it was very hard to file a civil suit which he had passed to Members of Council a
couple of papers that shows it was actually a criminal defenses; these general contractors that
do steal from homeowners and business owners, that actually goes as far as filing liens after
stealing the money which was making business owners and homeowners pay them more
money and they cannot pay the money they were forced to file bankruptcy or foreclosed on he
called the Police several times and spoken to the Consumer Fraud Department and had to beg
and plead for them to take the case after finding several victims who lost over $500 dollars, he
was talking about $5,000 to $10,000 begging them to pick up on these cases, finally someone
had picked up on the case but now they were looking at 2 to 3 years working time based off the
time they had given them and he would like the City to address these issues and problems and
maybe expanding the Consumer Fraud Department and requesting the City Council and the
Mayor to address it. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster,
Knox, Robinson and Christie absent. NO QUORUM

Council Members questioned Mr. Itima.

Mr. Vincent Charles, 1022 Randolph St., 77088, (713)438-8225 had reserved time to
speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin,
Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox, Robinson and Christie absent. NO QUORUM

Mr. Kenneth Graham, 150 N. Chenevert, 77002, (713)459-8716 had reserved time to
speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin,
Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox, Robinson and Christie absent. NO QUORUM

Mr. Frank Robertson, 5012 Higgins, Apt. A, 77033, (832)594-6825 had reserved time to
speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin,
Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox, Robinson and Christie absent. NO QUORUM

Council Member Green requested to Mr. Jerome Love to come to speak after Mr. Frank
Robertson and seeing no objection Mr. Love was invited to the podium.  Council Members
Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox, Robinson and Christie absent. NO
QUORUM

Mr. Jerome Love, 9494 Southwest Freeway, Suite 650, 77074, (281)773-3084 appeared
and presented information to Member of Council and stated he wanted to speak about the
economic development in the City of Houston and the Texas Black Expo and its mission, the
organization they had their event for the last 13 years and the Mayor was on their Chair few
years ago and their mission was very simple was to strengthen businesses, inspire youth and to
build better lives and at the end of the day in order to have strong vibrant communities, it was
going to take economics so a big part of what they do was to provide business development
services for minorities and women owned businesses and opportunities for gainful employment,
they were really excited about an opportunity to continue their partnership with the City of
Houston and the Mayor was such an visionary and help them find one of their signature events
which was their Corporate luncheon and over the course of the last 13 years they had provided
over 10,000 free screenings, 1,000 of room nights and they were excited to be growing that,
those numbers sound lofty, when they look at the Nation largest Black Expo, they average
about 2,000 room nights on annual basis and 72.6 million in economic impact, they may think
these comes from Chicago, New York or LA but in fact it was in the State of Indiana, the Indiana
Black Expo and that is what their goal was to get to that level, they had established a
relationship with them they were mentoring their organization and actually sent a delegation
from the City of Houston down to see the expo and how Indiana get those numbers was the
local support of the City, the County and State; his goal here today to share the vision of the
Texas Black Expo and where they were trying to go and where they could be and hopefully they can garner a greater support from the City and partnering up with the City. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox, Robinson and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Members of Council questioned Mr. Love.

Ms. Glenola Hines, 4463 N. MacGregor Way, No. 120, 77004, (713)384-1903 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox, Robinson and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Felton Howard, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox, Robinson and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Charles Martel, 7806 Sandra, 77016, (832)362-1344 appeared and stated he was present about City homes on the Northeast side, his mother and step father were looking for the home buying experience for the first time because they were tired of renting, they recently got into a home and with everything they had, he had a VA loan and everything was fine and they told him they would lease the home for a month and they would knock out some kinks and they would go to closing before the month was out, the month was out and now they were saying they have to get out of the home because the property next to it had a lien on it, they did not pay the builders, the Greater Houston Builders Association and he did not know if they were tied to Council but it was a City home and his mother and his father had their first time home buying experience had been killed; they now have to leave the home that they fell in love with for a month, the grant would be given back to them and now they have to start the whole process over again which was a very stressful processes and he comes today to ask the Council if they know anyone or any information or someone that deals with City Homes that was on the board and requesting for someone to look into this and to get a clear answer because he does know maybe there was not too much they can do because it could be out of their hands but he does not want another family have to go through this terrifying experience. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Mayor Turner advised Mr. Martel to get with the Mayor’s Citizen Assistance Department and they would be able to provide him with more information.

Mr. Joshua Bullard, 3328 McGowen, 77004, (832)258-7511 appeared and stated since he was 19 years old, he had been active in Houston government, he never been more passionate about the urgency to end the right to labor fees by abolishing limited taxi medallions in Houston, Houston was the most monopolized limited taxi medallion system in the United States, while citizens of Houston have applaud UBER for fighting to give them a much needed reprieve from high monopolized prices and limited market entry, helping Houstonians reach higher and go beyond the statute of limitations however, Houston had quickly come to a place in the road when they no longer want to be forced to pay middle man fees in their taxi and UBER rates, Houstonians were demanding to hiring their drivers direct and keep that 29% on their kitchen table to put towards their household bills or for their kids’ college education, he had taken the liberty and coin for this new innovative service for the City to the public on the Cities behalf and tilting it as App ride, curb side, converting all taxi zones to vehicle zones. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**
Mr. Rodolfo Del Bosque, 14201 Labrador, 77047, (832)883-5219 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Willie Drew, P.O. Box 680946, 77268, no phone appeared and stated those of his own type development and he would be the only one speaking today, he had presented a proposal to Members of Council and they had spoken about affordable housing and multifamily housing which that was something that was very important and one of the projects that he was proposing was Piney Wood Village, it was in the County but adjacent to the City, he was proposing this project not just as a multifamily project but as supported services for that community, they talked about urban development and revitalization, it was very much needed but it has to start somewhere with groups that were local and he get compassionate about this because he was a minority organization, a nonprofit and they were working for a profit, a property group that was a local organization and they want to help them to build a multifamily tax credit in that area to provide housing but not just to support housing, but supportive services and he hears so many people who were in need for supportive services and if they look at his proposal that he presented and he knows that there were walls that they have to get over as an organization has to get across with the County but they know that along with some dialogue with the City they know they can make this a project that everyone would benefit from and they plan to generate revenue themselves to pay for this and not ask the City or the County and request some dialogue and to meet with him because this was important. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Members of Council questioned Mr. Drew.

Mr. Robert Noack, P.O. Box 680946, 77268, (713)894-3688 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. David Russell, P.O. Box 680946, 77268, (713)894-3688 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Richard Wilson, P.O. Box 680946, 77268,(713)894-3688 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Ken Cornett, P.O. Box 680946, 77268, (713)705-4827 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Gerald Russell, 7887 San Felipe, No. 122, 77063, no phone had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**
Mr. Edward Bracey, 7118 Avenue N, 77011, (936)443-9922 appeared and stated that he had the Zika virus, he been a carpenter and he knows how to build in screens for porches that the Zika virus mosquitos cannot get in, people do not understand that the mosquitos can come from underneath, he has Zika caps and hard hats and on the flooding in the low laying areas which he has plans and he could get with Gary Norman on building two story houses and high driveways to move up cars; going green, he was tired of seeing and hearing of our National flooding, he knows how to build nets so beer cans and water bottles would not go down the bayous that would knock off the bridges because he has a lot of construction background. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Jim West, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Alan Johnson, 14132 Almeda School Rd., 77047, (281)936-8475 appeared and stated that he lived in Old Alemda for 20 years and he had contacted his Council Member for his District which used to be Wanda Adams, they have illegal dumping time and time again, he requested cameras years ago to try and catch the illegal dumping and they had never put cameras out, he gave everyone a heads up that he was coming out here, he had put numbers in at 311 to correct the situation and also drainage in the area that was full of debris and stuff like that and culverts that were missing, all the facts were in the system, there was nothing that need to be covered up here on in say what, where, and now, he had spoken to Solid Waste Department, the Public Works Department and they all know what was going on and they were scrambling to try and do something, he toured his area before he left and the tires have not been picked up and the lady told him they would be picked up later, the tires were everywhere, there was no Civic Association, there was no one that comes to City Council or has any authority to make this things known and that was why he came out today because they live in these little community and next to them it was a County or State dump, he had even seen boats get pushed out in the road and abandoned which it was a bad situation where he lives and he was really concerned of the neglect and no solution. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Council Member Boykins questioned Mr. Johnson.

Mr. Graylan Jones, 8407 Comal St., 77051, (281)912-5106 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Ms. Lea Angle, 9407 Rosehaven Dr., 77051, (713)734-1830 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Sylvester Bradford, P.O. Box 7222388, 77272, (832)4237 appeared and stated that he was here today about a mold issue, when he had called 311 with this and what ended up happening with long story short nothing happened, nobody was helping the apartment complex to help him with the mold and now he was at a place where he was affected by it and also was evicted and now he having to go through procedures and spending money and he had a
disability to fight and get back what was his and he would like them to revisit this where people have been sitting there for 3 to 4 years and develop a relationship with the community as far as tenants and landlords and start keeping them kinda fresh with individuals that were not too familiar to them; with this case right now he did get a phone call from someone from this Office today and they would talk with him a little bit more and the City of Houston needs to start looking at the tenants and the landlords as far as mold. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. NO QUORUM

Mr. Thomas Hadnott, 7109 West Knoll St., 77028, (281)236-9265 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. NO QUORUM

Ms. Maxine Hadnott, 7109 West Knoll St., 77028, (281)236-9265 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. NO QUORUM

Ms. Jorenda Green, 9310 Willow Meadow, 77031, (346)704-9789 appeared and stated she was seeking help, she has a 15 year old daughter that was exceeding in classes so high that she has 5 to 6 credits left to graduate, she was in her Senior Year, Mayor Turner has a program that she missed out on that would help with a job because she does have a background, she was trying to find somewhere to stay and find work, she had to send her daughter away, she just trying to get some help to maintain for her daughter and what she was doing. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. NO QUORUM

Members of Council questioned Ms. Green.

Mr. Roy Morales, 501 Fellows Rd., 77047, (713)320-8167 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. NO QUORUM

Mr. Michael Johnson, 7929 Little St., 77031, (832)817-2350 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. NO QUORUM

Ms. Josephine Pierce, 419 Dowling, 77003, (832)758-3388 appeared and stated she wanted to speak shortly about port-a-johns situation again, there not that many places to use the restroom and a lot of public restroom, people have to be a customer and a lot of times need a lot of maintenance in there, there was a lot of people that have a lot of health problems, to her it was very important to make this priority number one, there should be port-a-johns in certain mile radius and the only port-a-johns that they have were on construction sites and they were for the construction workers and they were locked with a key. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. NO QUORUM

Mr. Roland Curry, 5911 Bent Bough Ln., 77088, (832)977-9305 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig,
Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. R.J. Bobby Taylor, P.O. Box 202021, 77220, (832)870-7673 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. John Noflin, 12903 Brent Rock., Apt No. 703, 77082, (832)308-1498 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Rob Hellyer, 107 E. 9th St. 77007, (713)410-2983 appeared and stated at Council Meeting two weeks ago in response to Council Member Kubosh asking, why were they reading this if they do not discretion and City Attorney Lewis pointed out the Commission was staffed individuals who have been appointed because of their relevant expertise and that Council must assure the commissioners were assuring the decisions that they had made that do not deviate from the record and criteria of the ordinance. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

Council Member Kubosh questioned Mr. Hellyer.

Mr. Glenn Cheeks, 2703 Briar Glen, Sugarland, TX, 77479, (713)898-0616 appeared and stated this was concerning the conservancy of Emancipation Park, there was an agreement that had been proposed to the City that had been excluded a great portion of what needed to be done and the last Council Meeting that was tabled and they were allowed to get together and to come to an agreement to draft a new document and they were looking to move forward and to make Houston greater. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

President Joseph Charles, Post Office Box 524373, 77052-4373, Houston, TX, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

**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 5:02 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 10, 2016, Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. **NO QUORUM**

At 8:30 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, August 24, 2016, Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, 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.

At 9:05 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting into order and started they would begin with a procedural motion by Council Member Cohen. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Le, Cisneros, Laster, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. NO QUORUM

Council Member Cohen moved that the rules be suspended to consider Items 3 through 5 followed by the Mayor’s Report and the Public Hearing and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin, Le, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. MOTION 2016-0394 ADOPTED

3. REQUEST from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment of ANTONIO OROZCO, HISD Representative, to Position Six of the CITY PARK REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS, for a term to expire December 7, 2017- was presented, moved by Council Member Green and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Martin, Le, Robinson and Edwards absent. MOTION 2016-0395 ADOPTED

4. REQUEST from Mayor for confirmation of the reappointment of the following individuals to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER THREE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MAIN STREET MARKET SQUARE ZONE)

   Position One - F. XAVIER PEÑA, for a term to expire 12/31/2017 and to serve as Chair for a term ending 12/31/2016
   Position Three - MICHELE J. SABINO, for a term to expire 12/31/2017
   Position Five - REGINA GARCIA, for a term to expire 12/31/2017
   Position Seven - BRUCE ANTHONY AUSTIN, for a term to expire 12/31/2017
   Position Nine - BARRY N. MANDEL, for a term to expire 12/31/2017-

was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Martin, Le, Robinson and Edwards absent. MOTION 2016-0396 ADOPTED

5. REQUEST from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment of JAMES EDWARD NASH, to Position Seven of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY SIX (also known as the SUNNYSIDE ZONE), for a term to expire December 31, 2017- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le, Robinson and Edwards absent. MOTION 2016-0397 ADOPTED

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Turner stated he wanted to highlight two things; Louisiana the Baton Rouge area was still recovering from the floods and it was a devastating flood and he had spoken to the Mayor of Baton Rouge last week and he indicated to him that the City of Houston would do everything we could to assist the people in Louisiana and what he asked the Mayor was what they needed and the first thing he said they needed backpacks for the kids, so they were joining with the members of the faith based communities to help provide various of supplies that can be taken to Louisiana on Monday by several Ministries that would be heading in that area and they would make them the Ambassadors for the City of Houston; the Mayor of Baton Rouge stated what they really need was school supplies because some of the schools would not be able to open
until the beginning of new year and he knows that Houstonians step up beyond belief and if anyone can supply these items because they want to get as much as they can from now until Sunday in order for the truck to move out on Monday heading out to the Baton Rouge area.

Mayor Turner stated he also wanted to comment on something that was very near and dear to Council Member Gallegos which was Houston Botanical Garden and the Houston Golf Association Restoration of Gus Wortham Golf Course and both of these projects were on target and moving forward and he was happy to report that both had met their expected $5,000,000.00 fund raiser goal for 2015 and it had been a long journey for both groups and this morning they had Steve Timms President and CEO of the Houston Golf Association and Nancy Abendshein who was Chairman of the Board of the Houston Botanical Garden and they would be giving a brief report on where things were on the projects.

Mr. Timms presented a Power Point update on Gus Wortham Golf Course and the first Tee of Greater Houston Program at Law Park, a copy of which is available in the Office of the City Secretary.

Ms. Abendshein presented a Power Point update on the Houston Botanical Garden, a copy of which is available in the Office of the City Secretary.

Mayor Turner stated he wanted to congratulate Council Member Gallegos, the Houston Golf Association, to the Botanical Garden which he thinks this was another step in building a complete community an create opportunity areas throughout the Houston area.

At 9:50 Mayor Turner requested the city Secretary to call the Public Hearings:

**HEARINGS - 9:00A.M.**

1. **PUBLIC HEARING** relative to a proposal for the City of Houston to annex certain territory in the vicinity of the intersection of I-45 North and Rankin Road, in Harris County, Texas- was presented,

The City Secretary advised that no one had signed up to speak about the proposal annexation and Nicole Smothers with the Planning and Development Department would be making remarks relative to the hearing:

Nicole Smothers appeared and stated that The Planning and Development Department has received a petition from Betz I-45/Rankin Road, Ltd. requesting the annexation of an approximately 0.54 acre tract into the city of Houston near the northeast corner of Interstate Highway 45 and Rankin Road. This item was presented before the Economic Development Committee on July 14, 2016 and at the Council Hearing on August 24, 2016; the area to be annexed is owned entirely by the petitioner. The project includes annexation of an approximately 0.54 acre of undeveloped land that will be used for commercial purposes. The annexation property will be developed as part of a proposed commercial development and is contiguous to the City's full purpose jurisdiction to the west where it abuts council district B. No residents or qualified voters are currently in the area to be annexed and no homes will be constructed in the annexation area.
Upon the completion of the annexation, this tract along with two adjacent tracts with a total area of slightly over 3 acres is to be proposed for dis-annexation from the City of Houston. According to PWE, the City waste water and water services are on the west side of IH-45 and cannot be accessed by the site to the east side of the freeway. The Planning and Development Department has correspondence from HC MUD No. 96 expressing its intent to annex the property into the District conditional to the dis-annexation of the 3 acres from the City. The owner of the annexation tract will construct all necessary infrastructure to serve this tract of land in accordance with the City of Houston’s in city MUD consent conditions and will connect to the existing Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 96 system once annexed. Water and wastewater service will be provided and the facilities will be maintained and operated by Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 96.

The Houston Police Department will provide protection and law enforcement services in the annexation Area and The Houston Fire Department will provide all Fire, Emergency Medical, Arson and Life Safety Bureau services consistent with those provided to citizens served in the general purpose boundaries of the City of Houston at no additional cost to the City.

The parcel is currently serviced by Harris County Emergency Services District No. 1. The City of Houston will compensate Harris County Emergency Services District No. 1 the pro rata share of the debt owed by the district, as required in the Texas Health and Safety Code upon annexation of the 0.54 acre. This amount is expected to be less than $1000.00.

The annual property tax value of the 3 acres tracts to the City is approximately $4,000.

The annexation ordinance will be brought before Council on September 21st. If this ordinance is tagged, it may be considered by City Council on September 28th.

Mayor Turner asked if there were any questions on Item 1 or asked if there was anyone present that would like to speak on Item 1 and seeing none, he requested a motion to close the hearing.

Council Member Laster moved to close the public hearing relative to a proposal for the City of Houston to annex certain territory in the vicinity of the intersection of I-45 North and Rankin Road, in Harris County and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Cohen, Boykins and Martin absent. MOTION 2016-0398 ADOPTED

2. PUBLIC HEARING relative to a proposal for the City of Houston to annex certain territory in the vicinity of the intersection of North Houston Rosslyn Road and Chippewa Boulevard, in Harris County, Texas- was presented,

The City Secretary advised that no one had signed up to speak relative to the proposal to annexation and Nicole Smothers with the Planning and Development Department would be making remarks relative to the hearing:

Nicole Smothers appeared and stated the Planning and Development Department has received a petition from ASK Platinum LLC. requesting the annexation of an approximately 0.9 acre tract of land into the city of Houston at the northeast corner of North Houston Rosslyn Road and Chippewa Boulevard. This item was presented before the Economic Development Committee on July 14, 2016 and at the Council Hearing on August 24, 2016; the area to be annexed is owned entirely by the petitioner. The project includes annexation of an approximately 0.9 acre tract of developed land that is being used for commercial purposes. The annexation property
has been developed to include a gas station, a convenience store, a taqueria and a tire shop all under one roof.

The tract is contiguous to the City's full purpose jurisdiction to the west where it abuts council district A. No residents or qualified voters are currently in the area to be annexed and no homes will be constructed in the annexation area.

The Planning and Development Department has a letter from HC MUD No. 366, an in city MUD, expressing its intent to annex the property into the District once it is annexed into the City. The owner of the annexation tract will construct all necessary infrastructure to serve this tract of land in accordance with the City of Houston's in city MUD consent conditions. Should council decide to approve this annexation request, an ordinance from PWE recommending the annexation of this area into the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 366 will likely follow on a subsequent agenda. Water and wastewater service will then be provided and the facilities will be maintained and operated by Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 366.

The Houston Police Department will provide protection and law enforcement services in the annexation Area and The Houston Fire Department will provide all Fire, Emergency Medical, Arson and Life Safety Bureau services consistent with those provided to citizens served in the general purpose boundaries of the City of Houston at no additional cost to the City.

The parcel is currently serviced by Harris County Emergency Services District No. 1. The City of Houston will compensate Harris County Emergency Services District No. 1 the pro rata share of the debt owed by the district, as required in the Texas Health and Safety Code upon annexation of the 0.9 acre. This amount is expected to be less than $1000.00.

The property has an appraised value of $597,261 and would bring in approximately $3,590 in annual property tax revenue to the City. The cost to provide city services to this tract is minimal.

This annexation will benefit the city in the following ways:

- Increased ad valorem taxes for the city
- Expansion of water sewerage and drainage facilities in the area due to the annexation of this area into the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 366, an in-city MUD operating in northwest Houston. It has been determined by PWE that the annexation of this property into Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 366 and into the city is in keeping with their plans for improved and expanded water, sewerage and drainage infrastructure in this part of the city.

The annexation ordinance will be brought before Council on September 21st. If this ordinance is tagged, it may be considered by City Council on September 28.

Mayor Turner asked if there were any questions on Item 2 or was anyone present that would like to speak on Item 2 and seeing none, requested a motion to close the hearing.

Council Member Cohen moved to close the public hearing relative to a proposal for the City of Houston to annex certain territory in the vicinity of the intersection of North Houston Rosslyn Road and Chippewa Boulevard, in Harris County, Texas and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kubosh absent. MOTION 2016-0399 ADOPTED

At 9:58 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the Consent Agenda.
MISCELLANEOUS - NUMBER 6

6. RECOMMENDATION from the Acting Chief of Police for Extension of Injury on Duty Leave (Salary Continuation) for OFFICER TERRY SMITH, for an additional 90 days from June 9, 2016 through September 6, 2016- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2016-0400 ADOPTED

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBERS 12 through 15

12. INTERVET, INC dba MERCK ANIMAL HEALTH - $773,344.00, CHARLOTTE'S SADDLERY, INC $89,655.75, CONNIE PAT CAMPBELL dba MACI FEED & SUPPLY - $309,315.38 and MWI ANIMAL HEALTH - $316,363.37 for Equine Products and Veterinary Supplies for Various Departments - General and BARC Special Revenue Funds- was presented, moved by Council Member Stardig and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2016-0401 ADOPTED

14. IDENTISYS, INC (Bid No. 1) for Security Badging Equipment and Accessories for Various Departments 36 Months with two one-year options - $402,890.70 - General and Enterprise Funds- was presented, moved by Council Member Stardig and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2016-0402 ADOPTED

15. AMEND MOTION #2010-842, 12/1/2010 TO EXTEND the terms from August 31, 2016 to December 31, 2016, for CITIBANK (SOUTH DAKOTA), N. A. to utilize the Texas Procurement and Support Services Charge Card Services Contract through the State of Texas Cooperative Purchasing Program for the Purchasing Card Program for Various Departments- the City Secretary advised that Item 15 had been pulled by the Administration and would not be considered.

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 18 through 47

18. ORDINANCE finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of a 30-foot-wide drainage easement, located on either side of a natural swale, within Lot 9, Block 1, located in the Ville Franche Subdivision in the Charles Sage Survey, A- 697, Houston, Texas; abandoning the easement to Frank and Gloria Meszaros, abutting owners, in consideration of their payment to the City of $32,483.00 and other consideration, Parcel SY16-022 - DISTRICT G – TRAVIS- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0614 ADOPTED
20. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and the **METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF HARRIS COUNTY** for participation in the Houston Auto Crimes Task Force- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0615 ADOPTED**

21. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY** for participation in the Houston Auto Crimes Task Force- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0616 ADOPTED**

24. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **MEMORIAL-HEIGHTS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY** on behalf of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FIVE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MEMORIAL HEIGHTS ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2017-2021 Capital Improvement Projects Budget for the Zone **DISTRICTS C - COHEN; G - TRAVIS and H – CISNEROS** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0617 ADOPTED**

26. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of **LAKE HOUSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY** on behalf of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (LAKE HOUSTON ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2017-2021 Capital Improvement Projects Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0618 ADOPTED**

27. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $1,734,374.42 out of Tax Increment Funds for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWO, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MIDTOWN ZONE)** and **REINVESTMENT NUMBER ELEVEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (GREATER GREENSPOINT ZONE)** for administrative expenses and payments to certain redevelopment authorities as provided herein **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; G - TRAVIS; H - CISNEROS and I – GALLEGOS** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0619 ADOPTED**

28. **ORDINANCE** to correct amounts previously appropriated in Ordinance No. 2016-452 out of Tax Increment Funds for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER THREE (MAIN STREET/MARKET SQUARE ZONE)** and **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER NINETEEN (UPPER KIRBY ZONE)** for payment to the Main Street/Market Square Redevelopment Authority d/b/a Downtown Redevelopment Authority and to the Upper Kirby Redevelopment Authority - **DISTRICTS C - COHEN; G - TRAVIS; H - CISNEROS and I – GALLEGOS** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0620 ADOPTED**

32. **ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **MCCARTY ROAD LANDFILL of TEXAS L.P.**, for Disposal of Waste Materials from Sewer Cleanouts for the Department of Public Works & Engineering; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - $915,284.58 Enterprise and Other Funds- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0621 ADOPTED**

33. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Advanced Funding Agreement between the City of Houston and the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for the Expansion of Houston
Bike Share’s B-Cycle Program - DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; H - CISNEROS; I - GALLEGOS and K – GREEN- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0622 ADOPTED

34. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing second amendment to an agreement between the City of Houston and HOUSTON BIKE SHARE (Contract No. 74862) - DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; H - CISNEROS; I - GALLEGOS and K – GREEN- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0623 ADOPTED

37. ORDINANCE appropriating $551,000.00 out of Public Library Consolidated Construction Fund; $446,474.00 out of Contributed Capital Project Fund; and $517,929.00 out of Reimbursement of Equipment/Projects Fund; awarding construction contract to GADBERY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC for Central Library Plaza - Improvements; setting a deadline for the proposer's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance and other required contract documents to the City; holding the proposer in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering and materials testing services, Civic Art Program, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Public Library Consolidated Construction Fund; Contributed Capital Project HPL Foundation Fund; and Reimbursement of Equipment/Projects Fund - DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0624 ADOPTED

38. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas and HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS for Cooperation in Road, Bridge Street and Storm Sewage Construction and Rehabilitation Projects within the City of Houston- the City Secretary advised that Item 38 had been pulled by the Administration and would not be considered.

39. MUNICIPAL setting designation ordinance prohibiting the use of designated groundwater beneath a tract of land containing 5.6374 acres commonly known as 13911 and 13915 North Freeway, Houston, Harris County, Texas; and supporting issuance of a Municipal Setting Designation by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0625 ADOPTED

40. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 23.782 acres of land to FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 30, for inclusion in its district- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0626 ADOPTED

41. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 30.444 acres of land to HARRIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 133, for inclusion in its district- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0627 ADOPTED

42. ORDINANCE consenting to the annexation by EL DORADO UTILITY DISTRICT of a tract of land approximately 1.2021 acres, for inclusion in its District- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0628 ADOPTED

43. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 1.936 acres of land to NORTHWEST HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 15, for inclusion in its district- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0629 ADOPTED

44. ORDINANCE granting to BP EXPRESS TRUCKING, A Texas Sole Proprietorship, the right,
privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions - FIRST READING- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0630 PASSED FIRST READING IN FULL

45. ORDINANCE granting to CLEAN PORTABLES, 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. ORDINANCE 2016-0631 PASSED FIRST READING IN FULL

46. ORDINANCE granting to YVETTE TREVINO dba BUYER POWER, A Texas Sole Proprietorship, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions - FIRST READING- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0632 PASSED FIRST READING IN FULL

47. ORDINANCE NO. 2016-602, passed first reading August 10, 2016
ORDINANCE granting to CHENG INTERNATIONAL ENTERPRISES, INC, dba BUDGET WASTE, A Texas Corporation, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions - SECOND READING- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0602 PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

7. RECOMMENDATION from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of $219,701.43 and acceptance of work on contract with AIA GENERAL CONTRACTORS, INC for Remediation, Removal and Installation of Underground Storage Tanks at Fire Station No. 4 - 3.02% under the original contract amount - DISTRICT A – STARDIG- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2016-0403 ADOPTED

8. RECOMMENDATION from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of $210,979.00 and acceptance of work on contract with AIA GENERAL CONTRACTORS, INC for Remediation, Removal and Installation of Underground Storage Tanks at Fire Station No. 64 - 1.35% under the original contract amount - DISTRICT B – DAVIS- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2016-0404 ADOPTED
9. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering, reviewed and approved by the Joint Referral Committee, on request from Mary Lou Henry, Vernon G. Henry & Associates, on behalf of Contempo Builder LLC, (David Borhorquez, President), declining the acceptance of, rejecting, and refusing the dedication of Belmore Street, from the south right-of-way line of West Tidwell Road south to the north right-of-way line of Castlebay Street and Bellmore Street from, the south right-of-way line of Castlebay Street south to the north right-of-way line of Highrock Street, all located within the Rosslyn Addition, out of the Joseph Bays Survey, Parcels SY16-006A and SY16-006B - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0405 ADOPTED**

10. **PROGRESSIVE SYSTEMS LLC dba LENSEC LLC** - $89,122.50 and **IDENTISYS, INC (Bid 1)** - $917,465.05 for Communication Security Equipment & Components for the Houston Airport System - 36 Months with two one-year options - Enterprise Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0406 ADOPTED**

11. **MIDWEST VETERINARY SUPPLY, INC** - $7,204,188.08 and **BASILEIA GROUP, INC dba NEW DIMENSION PHARMACY** - $180,923.25 for Veterinary Supplies for the Administration & Regulatory Affairs Department - 36 Months with two one-year options - BARC Special Revenue Fund- was presented and tagged by Council Member Davis.

13. **CASCO INDUSTRIES, INC** for Chemical, Dispersant, Polar Solvent / Aqueous Film-Forming Foam for Various Departments - 36 Months with two one-year options - $1,147,074.35 - General and Enterprise Funds- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0407 ADOPTED**

16. **RESOLUTION** approving and authorizing the nomination of **CHCA WOMAN’S HOSPITAL, L.P.** to the Office of the Governor Economic Development and Tourism through the Economic Development Bank as a Texas State Enterprise Zone Project - **DISTRICT K – GREEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2016-0027 ADOPTED**

17. **RESOLUTION** approving and authorizing the nomination of **CHCA WEST HOUSTON, L.P.** to the Office of the Governor Economic Development and Tourism through the Economic Development Bank as a Texas State Enterprise Zone Project - **DISTRICT F – LE**- was presented and tagged by Council Member Christie.

   **NOTE:** Council Member Christie later removed the tagged.

19. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **CHINESE COMMUNITY CENTER, INC**, to provide up to $1,500,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant Funds for Public Facilities and improvements on property located at 9800 Town Park Drive - **DISTRICT F – LE**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0633 ADOPTED**
22. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance Number 2011-0441, as amended, to increase the maximum contract amount for an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and the **HARRIS CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES** (Formerly known as the **MENTAL HEALTH MENTAL RETARDATION AUTHORITY OF HARRIS COUNTY** or **MHMRA**) for the Chronic Consumer Stabilization Initiative Program- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0634 ADOPTED**

23. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **SAINT GEORGE PLACE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY** on behalf of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER ONE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (SAINT GEORGE PLACE ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2017-2021 Capital Improvements Budget for the Zone **DISTRICTS G - TRAVIS and J – LASTER-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0635 ADOPTED**

25. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **OLD SPANISH TRAIL/ALMEDA CORRIDORS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY** on behalf of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SEVEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (OLD SPANISH TRAIL/ALMEDA CORRIDORS ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2017-2021 Capital Improvements Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS** – was presented and tagged by Council Member Boykins.

29. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston ad **COLETTE HOLT & ASSOCIATES** for a Disparity Study for the City of Houston; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - $942,608.45 - General Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0636 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner stated that Council Member Christie stated he was removing his tag on Item 17 and requested the City Secretary to call the Item.

17. **RESOLUTION** approving and authorizing the nomination of **CHCA WEST HOUSTON, L.P.** to the Office of the Governor Economic Development and Tourism through the Economic Development Bank as a Texas State Enterprise Zone Project - **DISTRICT F – LE-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2016-0028 ADOPTED**

30. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing agreement between the City of Houston and **REED GROUP MANAGEMENT LLC** for Third-Party Administrative Services for Long Term Disability Plan for the Human Resources Department; providing a maximum contract amount 3 Years with two one-year options - $897,348.00 - Long Term Disability Fund- was presented and tagged by Council Member Kubosh.

31. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **T2 SYSTEMS, INC** for the Parking Management Information System for the Administration & Regulatory Affairs Department; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options $934,181.18 - Parking Management Operating Fund- was presented, Council Member Kubosh voting no, balance voting aye. **ORDINANCE 2016-0637 ADOPTED**

35. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $14,066,000.00 out of Parks Consolidated Construction Fund (4502) to fulfill the obligations of the City in the Interlocal Agreement for Bayou Greenways 2020 between
the City of Houston and the HOUSTON PARKS BOARD LGC approved by Ordinance 2013-0635
DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; D - BOYKINS; I - GALLEGOS and K – GREEN- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0638 ADOPTED

36. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing third amendment to Lease Agreement between JAKLL HOLDINGS, LLC, as landlord, and the City of Houston, Texas, as tenant, for space at 1702 Seamist Drive, Houston, Texas, for use as offices for Public Works & Engineering Department - DISTRICT A – STARDIG- was presented and tagged by Council Member Knox.

MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 48 through 52

48. ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Houston to submit a request to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to amend the City’s Economic Development Initiative (EDI) Grant Agreement and its Section 108 Program to extend, through August 31, 2019, the deadline to disburse the balance of EDI Grant Funds and Section 108 Guaranteed Loan Funds
TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DAVIS
This was Item 11 on Agenda of August 10, 2016- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0639 ADOPTED

49. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and HOUSTON AREA URBAN LEAGUE, INCORPORATED, to provide up to $201,022.00 in Community Development Block Grant Funds for the administration and operation of a program for job training and related supportive services - DISTRICT D - BOYKINS
TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DAVIS
This was Item 14 on Agenda of August 10, 2016- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0640 ADOPTED

50. ORDINANCE relating to employment terms and conditions of Classified Fire Fighters of the City of Houston; extending the term of the 2011 Agreement between the City of Houston and THE HOUSTON PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, also known as the INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS, AFL-CIO-CLC, LOCAL UNION 341, containing provisions relating to promotional testing of Classified Fire Fighters and containing other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; suspending the operation of certain ordinances; providing for severability - TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS KNOX and TRAVIS
This was Item 15 on Agenda of August 10, 2016- was presented, Council Members Travis and Knox voting no, balanced voting aye. ORDINANCE 2016-0641 ADOPTED

51. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Joint Operations, Maintenance and Programming Agreement between the City and the EMANCIPATION PARK CONSERVANCY for Emancipation Park - DISTRICT D - BOYKINS - TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS BOYKINS and KUBOSH
This was Item 19 on Agenda of August 10, 2016- was presented,

Council Member Boykins presented a written motion to amend for Item 51 as followed:

Council Colleagues- I move to amend Item No.51, which was tagged last week for further discussion, as follows:
AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT BETWEEN EMANCIPATION PARK CONSERVANCY AND CITY OF HOUSTON

WHEREAS, in 2007, several committed citizens formed the Friends of Emancipation Park, to bring programming and resources to begin the renewal of this historic park.

WHEREAS, the efforts of the Friends of Emancipation Park continued the work of many community servants and helped usher in a new vision and redevelopment of Emancipation Park, resulting in the Park’s current construction from the design of renowned African American Architect Philp Freelon.

WHEREAS, the City acknowledges the tremendous efforts of the Friends of Emancipation Park and appreciates, with the merging of the Friends into the Conservancy, their continued efforts to support the Park through participation on the Conservancy Board and the Conservancy’s Advisory Council.

Mayor Turner called on a vote to the Amendment; all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2016-0408 ADOPTED

Mayor Turner called for a vote on Item 51 as amended, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0642 ADOPTED

52. REVIEW on the record and make determination relative to the appeal from the decision of the Historic Preservation Appeals Board, on denial of a certificate of appropriateness at 107 E. 9th Street (Heights South), filed by Timothy Kirwin, Attorney, on behalf of property owner Rob Hellyer - TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS COHEN, LASTER, KUBOSH and KNOX

This was Item 32 on Agenda of August 10, 2016 - was presented,

Council Member Cohen moved that after a review of the record on the appeal filed by Timothy Kirwin, Attorney, on behalf of property owner Rob Hellyer, on the denial by the Historic Preservation Appeals Board of a certificate of appropriateness at 107 E. 9th Street (Heights South), the decision of the Board be upheld and the appeal denied and seconded by Council Member Robinson; after a lengthy discussion the Mayor Turner called for a vote, Mayor Turner, Council Members Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Green, Robinson, Edwards and Christie voting aye, Council Members Stardig, Le, Laster, Knox and Kubosh voting no, Council Member Davis absent. MOTION 2016-0409 ADOPTED

MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS - Council Member Le first

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 11:55 a.m. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster, Green, Knox, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding. NO QUORUM

DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED

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Anna Russell, City Secretary