City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, February 14, 2017

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 14, 2017; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Larry Green, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Randy Zamora, Legal Department; Marta Crinejo Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present. Council Member Karla Cisneros out of the city on personal business.

At 1:42 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen called the meeting to order and stated that Council would start with presentations. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le, Gallegos, Laster, Knox, Kubosh and Christie. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Council Member Robinson stated that the Houston Police Department plays an indispensable role in maintaining law and order in our city, providing unparalleled levels of service. Each day, area residents benefit from the perseverance of peace officers who safeguard life and property and risk their lives to guard and protect us, Houstonians deeply appreciate and respect the dedication, valor and service of the Houston Police Department and in October of 1969, Albert Coleman became a member of Police Academy Class 42. Upon graduation, he was assigned to the Traffic Enforcement Division, where he spent the better part of four years in traffic, always noticing the professionalism of the 44 motorcycle officers and without knowing how to ride a motorcycle, he applied to fill a vacancy in the Solo Detail, showing his willingness to learn and after learning how to ride from his brother, Robin, he became the first African American Solo Detail officer in the Houston Police Department, the effectiveness of the Solo Detail of the Houston Police Department is due to the accomplishments of its dedicated officers and support personnel, particularly those who have acquired valuable expertise and skills through many years of experience, he is one such able and skilled individual, having served the department, our city and its residents willingly and well for over 32 years before retiring and on February 14, 2017, in observance of Black History Month, Albert Coleman will be honored for being the first African American Solo Detail officer in the Houston Police Department and the City of Houston commends Albert Coleman for his diligence and excellence in serving our city and extends best wishes for continued success and therefore, on behalf of Mayor Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Cohen hereby proclaimed February 14, 2017, as Albert Coleman Day in Houston, Texas. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Green, Knox, Kubosh and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Council Member Robinson stated that established in January of 2007 with the purpose of breaking the cycle of poverty in the Third Ward, Generation One’s mission is to transform the area by coordinating the efforts of all those who have a heart for the children and families in the community and it has hosted over 48,000 volunteers from all over the country, state and city and local churches, businesses and academic institutions in an effort to enhance the Third Ward and Generation One has demolished 23 dilapidated homes, some at the request of the City of Houston, while others at the request of senior citizens unable to maintain their properties, volunteers have cleared hundreds of dangerous lots as well as painted hundreds of homes, built dozens of wheelchair ramps, fixed plumbing problems and made many repairs for vulnerable citizens unable to cover the cost on their own and described as a transformational ministry, Generation One also has demonstrated its willingness to invest in the Third Ward through its Generation One Academy, tuition free, year-round early childhood intervention school open to
children two and up. The academy works closely with each child’s family, providing mentors, tutors, field trips and summer camps. Its mission is to send each child to first grade at or above grade level with at least one parent or guardian dedicated to the child’s educational success and on February 14, 2017, Generation One will be honored for its accomplishments, the City of Houston commends Generation One for its commitment to the spiritual growth and physical rebuilding of the impoverished areas of the Third Ward and extends best wishes for continued success. Therefore on behalf of Mayor Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Cohen hereby proclaimed February 14, 2017, as Generation One Day in Houston, Texas. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Green, Knox and Kubosh absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mayor Turner stated that he had been talking with a number of Faith Base Leaders and then on top of that he has Isaiah Curry and Isaiah is the Mayor for the day, he had been shadowing him today and is in the 2nd Grade and is a student at the A B Anderson Elementary School, he wrote a letter about wanting to come and spend some time with him today and again he is the Mayor for the Day and he appreciates him and he is so glad to have him with him today and it has been an exciting day; the Houston area is wonderfully enriched by its most vital resource for motivated youth who are fueled by curiosity, passion and inspiration and whereas Isaiah Curry is an exceptional student at A B Anderson Elementary School and excels in all studies because of the dedicated teachers and his high interest on how the government works which is a testament of his inquisitive mind and the future of this City and therefore February 14, 2017 on Valentine’s Day Isaiah Curry would be honored as Little Mayor for the Day and the City of Houston appreciates Isaiah Curry for his passion for learning and extends best wishes on a successful School Year and therefore, I proclaim February 14, 2017 as Isaiah Curry Day “Little Mayor for the Day” in Houston Texas. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Green, and Kubosh absent.

Council Member Boykins stated that Wesley Eric Weston, also known as Lil’ Flip, is an American rapper, music video/movie director and local business owner, He embarked on his musical career as a freestyle and battle rapper before earning a record deal in 1999 and he is best known for his singles Game Over and Sunshine. He is a multi-platinum musician, selling over 20 million records worldwide, Lil’ Flip has reached out to children worldwide and in his community throughout his career and recently, he has become an advocate for the campaign Art over Drugs Movement, he wrote and published a book in 2015 titled, “Don’t Let The Music Industry Fool You,” along with a soundtrack, he has toured the country, collaborated with numerous artists and has become a spokesman as well as an activist for his community and Lil’ Flip owns several businesses such as Maison clothing store, TJ Jewelry & Co., and Time Bomb and he also owns Flips App and Lang Bridge App, a direct text messenger that features automatic language translation that will give artists and international fans the ability to communicate with one another through via text without language barriers; Lil’ Flip plans to continue his hard work and focus on his contributions to his community by serving the neighborhood schools and being visible to students, hoping to make a positive impact on students and on March 3, 2017, Lil’ Flip will be recognized for his musical contributions and community involvement. The City of Houston commends and congratulates Lil’ Flip on his musical success and many contributions to the community and extends best wishes on all future endeavors, Therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed March 3, 2017, as Wesley Eric Weston Day Lil’ Flip in Houston, Texas. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Green and Kubosh absent.

At 2:13 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Davis for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Council Members Martin, Travis and Green absent. Council Member Karla Cisneros absent on personal business.
At 2:15 p.m. the Roll was called. Council Member Green absent. Council Member Karla Cisneros out of the city on personal business.

Council Member Kubosh moved to adopt the minutes for January 31- February 1, 2017 and delay the minutes for February 7-8, 2017 and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Green absent. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Kubosh for a procedural motion; Council Member Kubosh moved to add Ms. Meg Poissant to the list of Speakers and seconded by Council Member Travis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Green absent. **MOTION 2017-0094 ADOPTED**

At 2:17 p.m. Mayor Turner stated he wanted to wish everyone a Happy Valentine’s Day and requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

Ms. Kay Barbour, 11227 Sagehaven, 77089, (713)419-3545 appeared and stated that she is the President and CEO of the South Belt Ellington Chamber of Commerce and in addition is the President of the Sagemont Civic Club, she and the other members that are present with her today are here to speak about the proposed Kirkway Complex that is being voted on and together with her and the others that are present represents 200 years collectively of living and working in the Sagemont community and because they live and work in the area, they feel that they have a clearer understanding of what is needed and where things are needed in the area and the Kirkway is not the best location for a Senior Living Complex, that is not only perspective of the community but perspective for those individuals that would live in that community, if their efforts become unsuccessful and the complex was built and displayed a large map and had passed out a smaller map for Members of Council and explained what the map was showing but she also gave them a map of a plat for the area to see where it is located, as a community they do not oppose addition of the Senior living only Complex in their community and as community they support the other 2 proposed Senior Living Complex which are no longer on the table that is according what they been told and as a community they are opposed to building of the Kirkway Complex for many reasons that she and the others will briefly try to make clear to them this afternoon; one thing, that they feel like the protocols were not followed by the developers because many of their Civic Clubs in the community were not notified of this project and she is the President of the Largest Civic Club in the Sagemont area and is adjacent to this property, she did not know about this, the current sewage infrastructure in the community is not capable of handling the current burden they have now. Council Member Green absent.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Barbour.

Council Member Kubosh moved to suspend the rules to add Ms. Tammy Telly to the list of speakers and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig and Green absent. **MOTION 2017-0095 ADOPTED**

Mr. Richard Berlitz, 11915 Kirkway Dr., 77089, (281)481-2902 appeared and stated that he represents the Sagemont Park Community Improvement Association and their subdivision is located at the Intersection of 45 South and the Beltway, they support the development of Senior Living Centers in the areas however, they feel that the current location for the Kirkway development is not suited for this propose, there is heavy traffic and high rates of speed, at the peek the light on Beamer makes it very difficult to get across 3 lanes of traffic after getting off the beltway and the intersection at Beamer is one of the most dangerous in the City of Houston with numerous accidents and several fatalities being recorded there, also TxDot and the City of Houston are aware of the congestion along this stretch of the Beltway when shortly after the
Beltway was opened, they closed the direct entrance to Sagemont Park by Kirk Glen and barricaded it because of accidents that where happening there, if access or egress to the property is going to be through Harris County Flood Control right of way which is on the West side of the property that would dump al the traffic onto the Kirway Drive where he had lived for 46 years, the streets in their community are 50 years old, they are in need of repair, Kirkway is a cut though for locals that are in the area and to help with this problem, the Civic Associations are using their own funds to put speed bumps onto Kirkway to help and if they approve the Kirkway Complex it would increase the burden and the other problem they have is their sanitary sewer system and when they experience heavy rain in their area the sanitary sewers overflow through the manhole covers. Council Members Stardig and Green absent.

Council Member Boykins questioned Mr. Berlitz.

Mr. Wayne Hanks, 11922 Kikway, 77089, (281)481-5518 appeared and stated that he was the President of the Sagemont Park Community Improvement Association and he came today because he was concerned in the fact that this issue was never presented to the Sagemont Park residents, they were not notified until Sunday afternoon at 4 o’clock that this was happening or that it was going to be brought to a vote, at the present time they are preparing to apply for no parking application in their community and in that application, as President had put together a package of materials requested by the City and in that package that he had been informed that they City would send out notification to each and every member in his community that this parking permit is being requested and then once he submits that and the City submits a letter to everyone of the members in his community, he must put up signs at every entrance of the community by telling every residents that the community is about to invoke or have a no parking in the yard ordinance and if anyone opposes that then he has to or his community will have to come back and say the reason why they want this parking ordinance and eventually they would get it, his issue today is that no one had sent a letter to every member in that community that this was going to happen, so if he has to do that for yard parking which would was going impact his community far than less then this development would impact the community, why has it not been done for these people in the community and now currently in his community they are having new gas pipes installed and they had the construction company handouts to every person in that community, that it was going to be done. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Green and Edwards absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Hanks.

Ms. Ericka McCrutcheon, 9746 Kirkfalls Dr., 77089, (281)989-9990 appeared and stated that she stands to represent the Kirkwood Community of 667 homes, the Kirkwood Community also shares boundaries with Sagemont Park with the proposed facilities to be built, they are family and senior friendly, they see and the understanding for more affordable housing especially for the aging population and please understand that they are for Senior Housing in their area but in this case not at the proposed location, here are some of their concerns, the location is very bad and this location is at the Beltway and Beamer exit which is a major thoroughfare that leads the community, the congestion on any day is a challenge for any driver, it would be hazardous for Seniors entering and leaving this property, it would increase traffic, this is a delicate balance on trying to protect both the Seniors in the community and the children, they do not want this for their children; other supported properties and the properties that they do support and the next speaker is going to come up explain what is what and who is who because there is some confusion but there are properties that they do support , recently there was 6 request for new subsidized income housing in their area and 2 of them, the South Belt Chamber of Commerce supports and both locations is a lot more suitable for their Seniors for safety and public
transportation and what they are proposing there is not public transportation, Kirkwood agrees and support these locations which would be in District E and for her understanding that Council had rejected them which she does not understand why but none than less they would be more suitable for this project and the last thing they are concern about is about the unattended consequences, every law or decision has the potential for consequences as part of the original intent. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Green, Knox and Christie absent.

Council Member Boykins moved to add Mr. Ryan Hettig to the list of speakers and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Green, Knox and Christie absent. MOTION 2017-0096 ADOPTED

Mr. Ryan Hettig, no address, no number, appeared and stated that he is speaking on behalf of the Kirkway Development, their intent was never to mislead the neighborhoods or organizations and try not to notify them, technically the rules of TDHCA are that they have to notify any neighborhood organization of the project that which they are included in the boundaries and technically they were not included in any of the boundaries in the neighborhood organizations in the area but they did however, notify the Kirkwood Civic Group and he took them and several of the Board Members out to see the other properties and as she mentioned they are in excellent condition, they have been in this program since 1993, they have done over 20 developments and several are Senior Developments and if they speak to any of the communities they have an outstanding reputation for the developments that they do and would like to speak little about the location and the reason they picked this location because it does have good access to the Beltway and it happens to be a half of a mile to the public bus stop which is important to some of the Seniors in the area, they will also have a van service to take people to and from locations and this would be a quality development with the amenities and they have their own management team and their maintenance staff to maintain a high level of control and up keep in appearance. Council Members Green and Christie absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Hettig.

Ms. Marie Flikinger, 11555 Beamer, 77089, (281)948-2714 appeared and stated that she came here to explain the map that was already passed out to them but just briefly, A is the one that they are objecting to and B and C they have expressed support on, she owns the local newspaper that is in the area and she was the Founding Chair of the Chamber of Commerce about 30 something years ago and currently serving as the Chair, her friends that spoke before her that gave them comments, they again want to emphasize that their community and herself have a very long history of supporting of the subsidized housing and maybe they supported it too quickly, they have many that are in the area and shows on the map that she held up and that they are within 2 miles which is what they looked at, someone had mentioned about a 6 months waiting list on the properties that were there but actually she believes one for the senior living is longer than that and that is one of the reasons B and C and particularly B and the reason why, because if you look at the reason why they are doing this a mixture of a community but they also want to be convenient for the people that are going to be renting these, she would very much would like to be a part of the studies about the transportation because she thinks that anyone of the Council Members came out and looked at the Beltway problem they have and this would be very dangerous for the citizens, especially senior citizens and that is why TxDot blocked off the road because there were too many accidents in trying to get in and out of there and that was about 15 years ago the early days when the Beltway just opened up; if she was looking for a place for her parents she would never put them in A because of the traffic problems and B is a much wider space and feet from Metro. Council Members Stardig, Green, Edwards and Christie absent.
Members of Council questioned Ms. Flikinger.

Council Member Kubosh moved to add Mr. Jonathan S. Campbell to the list of speakers and seconded by Council member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Ed and Christie absent. **MOTION 2017-0097 ADOPTED**

Mr. Micheal Huffmaster, 102 Cove Creek Ln., 77042, appeared and stated that he wanted to shift gears about parking in Chapter 26, the Amendments to Chapter 26 for Administrative Grant of Parking Variance was something at the Super Neighborhood Alliance that originally was opposed, there was a discussion with the Director of Planning, Patrick Walsh and his staff, who heard their concerns and have addressed those to provide transparence, the process for public input and a hearing before the Planning Commission, they think it strengthens the Ordinance change and allows them to recognize the public interest can be served and they are thankful for that, the Ordinance however does not provide enforcement and he wanted to speak briefly on enforcement, it’s a complaint driven process, the Planning Department is optimistic that there can be some form of enforcement but it is not yet in place, it will need Council support, it would need funding, it would need a process established and it is the only protection that can be provided to the public and one of the things that might be very helpful to include in this is a posting of parking requirements and parking provided at places of business and institutions that are affected by the Parking Ordinance and that are required to provide parking in many places of the City and he speaking on behalf of the Neighborhood Alliance, in many places in the City where businesses come in and they had value to the location but it was incumbent on them to not overflow their parking into the public streets, it’s for the Public to know where to park and what is expected and by posting of the parking requirements and their locations and places of businesses would be very useful and he thanked them for the improvements in the Ordinance. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner and Members of Council questioned Mr. Huffmaster.

Ms. Meg Poissant, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that she was present on behalf of Westwood Grove Civic Association and Super Neighborhood 22 and also the lack of enforcement with the parking requirements, they are the boots on the ground because they live in the neighborhood and they deal with the decisions that City Council and the Mayor makes which is important to citizens in their community and the major issue for them is the lack of enforcement and just a few of the things that occurred because of the lack of enforcement of Parking Management as, there was a concert venue behind one of the bars and all of the minimum parking requirements was used by the concert stadium, there was no inspection, no enforcement and all of these people were parked in their neighborhood within a 3 block radius and almost all of them were broken into and it is effecting their residents, their children to additional crime and they called the City and they said there was nothing they can do because no one works on Thanksgiving eve, no permit was required for this event, the night before Super Bowl the bars where overflowing capacity, cars again were parked in areas that normally would be ticketed or even towed, there were gun shots, fights that broke out in front of their homes which caused problems and there is no one to enforce these issues, the residents have to live with that, back in 2009 they made a request for an inspection in the area for the parking and they received that response and last year they made the same request but have not received a response, they need more enforcement because it increases crime, increases the danger to themselves and their loved ones and community. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Christie absent.
Mr. Antonio Head, no address, (832)816-6127 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Christie absent.

Mr. Jonathan S. Campbell, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that he was speaking on behalf of the Board of Directors that are developing or proposing the acquisition rehab of the Heritage Apartments in District G and just wanted to let City Council know that he is here in the audience and he is available for any questions. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Christie absent.

Mr. David Tidmore, 2429 Bissonnet No.286, 77005, (713)863-6576 appeared and stated that he comes here on no one behalf other than himself as a concerned citizen, they have had some construction issues that he has seen, they had brand new sidewalks put in on South Course through the Safe Sidewalks Program and AT&T comes in there and fractures about 20 yards of the sidewalk and his question is, is there any kind of permitting or follow up, to know that something was there before get they there and then they can inspect if they damaged anything during the construction, AT&T decided to put a tower there; there is a Community Center on Sand Point and Hillcroft and they put new sidewalks there but whenever they put the sidewalks in or the driveways in, they are not even and there is only one set of sidewalks on the street, he thinks that there should be more oversight on what going on at construction sites to make sure it is ADA approved. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Edwards and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner stated that Mr. Tidmore can speak to Gary Norman; he represents Public Works and Engineering and Council Member Laster stated that his office is always available for him to reach out to and to the AT&T matters his staff has not been able to get those answers yet in relationship to the fact that AT&T can go out there and mess those sidewalks up and how often do they get to do that and more importantly how do they correct it and to the second question on the sidewalk on Sand Point where the Multi-Purpose Center is and those where most recently been reconstructed to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone and if he would get the direct questions to the District J Office, they would reach out to the people who work on it to look at the issue and if there is a need of repair, they will get someone out there as soon as possible.

Mr. John Cieslewicz, 1250 DuBarry, 77018, (713)806-5541 appeared and presented information and stated that he has lived on the 1200 block of DuBarry, Oak Forest Section One, for 40 years and first 38 years the problems homeowners had with the City’s sewer lines that runs down the back of their property were few and far between, the last 2 years they are having nothing but problems and that they all have a plat map of the 1200 block of DuBarry and Chippendale, highlighted are 3 sewers manholes, new construction following city code have raised the elevations of the back yards of the properties higher than the sewer manholes and in some cases burying them and turning them into storm water drains and the 4 inch PVC pipe new construction puts into drain the properties are overloaded during a good rain letting the excess storm water find its way into sewer lines flooding them and everything they have a good rain the flooded sewer lines blocks them from their bathrooms and it is causing them and causing sewage to back up into their homes, his neighbor that lives next door spent $10,000.00 for new flooring because of it and they have a serious health problem everytime they have a good rain and his neighbor was told by the City Contractor that manhole #3 has a blockage and they need a court order to check it out; 2 years ago Center Point put in a new power pole that cracked the City’s sewer line and City Contractors patched it twice and the ground is sinking again around the power pole at manhole #2 and the City needs to do a dye test in the sink hole

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen stated that she knew that Mr. Cieslewicz met with Public Works yesterday and they have opened an investigation into this and they will get back to him with a resolution.

Mr. Michael Ayers, P.O. Box630122, 77263, (713)249-4777 appeared and presented information and stated that the gentleman standing behind him is his partner Paul and that are a Christian-Based Veteran owned and operating company and they are here to ask permission of the City of Houston to operate their business and while the handouts are going around and he requested for his partner to come and speak to Members of Council.

Council Member Green requested that Mr. Ayers Partner be allowed to assist him at the podium.

Mr. Paul Armento, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that he is the other part of this enterprise and they came to explain briefly on the unique aspect on what they do, Texas Bench Aid are looking for and if it would please Members of Council and the Mayor permission by an unanimous consent vote to distribute these handsomely crafted and professionally designed street corner benches to encourage commerce and increasing advertising appeal to local businesses in Houston and if they have any questions, he would be happy to answer them and just requested a pilot program to establish goodwill with the business community in Houston and the City of Houston. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Armento and Mr. Ayers.

Ms. Veronica DeBoest, 3333 Alabama, 77004, (832)292-0387 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

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 Boykins, Martin and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Glenda Holmes-Moore, 90 Northpoint Dr., 77060, (281)809-3865 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Rachel Fairbank, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that she was present as a survivor of an auto pedestrian accident to urge the City Council to adopt the Houston Bike Plan because in 2010 she was hit by a car in the Medical Center and at the time she was a student that was heading to school, Houston is a dangerous place to be a cyclist or a pedestrian and this City is not design for people that are biking or walking and the Houston Bike Plan offers to help with that and she just wanted to state that she supports the Houston Bike Plan and she hopes that they vote yes on it. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Laster, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mr. Mark Jozwiak, 5615 Verdome, 77092, (713)682-4485 appeared and presented information and stated on 11/29/2016 his step son Derrick dropped his truck off at an R.J.’s Body Shop to be repaired and State Farm was there on 11/30/16 to give the estimates of $2439.15 and a
couple of weeks later, R.J. Body Shop said that no repairs had been done because they have not received any money and his step son paid them $500.00 before receiving the insurance check and on 12/20, his step son give the body shop another $1700.00 which left $239.00 to complete the work the truck was supposed to be ready on 12/18/16 since 2/17/17 they have had no contact with the gentlemen that worked at the shop or seen the truck, they went down the Police Station 1/3/17 to fill out Police report, they were told they need a 10 day demand later which they have done that and got them both back then the Auto Theft Division, told them that they had to contact the man and pay the bill and get the truck but unfortunately they cannot pay the bill because they cannot find the guy or the truck, so now they had gone to the District Attorney Office about this and then they were told by the District Attorney Office they cannot do anything because they owe money and again cannot find the guy or the truck and right now they are at a standstill because the Auto Theft Division told them to go over to the District Attorney Office and they had already been there and now they say it is a Civil matter but the problem is that they still cannot find the truck or the guy and he has taken 2 days off from work to find more information about 2 ladies which they told the Police about and here we are today and he wonders if it’s going to be a civil matter or a criminal problem. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster, Green and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen stated that her Office has talked to Mr. Jozwiak and she appreciates for him coming down here and understand his frustration, Sergeant Anthony is present and would speak with him.

Ms. Jackie Young, 3262 Westheimer Rd. Suite No. 142 appeared and stated that there were packets that were coming around to Members of Council and she would like them to look at them, she is the Executive Director Texas Health Environmental Alliance and their mission is to protect public health and water resources from the harmful effects of toxic waste, they had worked for years leading the San Jacinto River Coalition efforts towards the removal of the San Jacinto river waste pits and most recently leaders from Alief and the Alief Super Neighborhood reached out to her with concerns about their water quality; the local concerns surface when KPRC Channel 2 and the environmental group reported that Alief specifically 77099 has the 3rd highest rates of chromium number 6 in the public drinking water supply in the entire country and they can see the test locations on the map that she had passed around and the contaminant that she is here today to talk about is the famous Erin Brockvich contaminant and we have higher levels here than they did in this case; start here the State of Texas and the EPA have no individual standards for chromium 6, however California had set a health base risk level of 00.2 parts per billion and level in Alief was up to 300 times this level and in the Channel 2 interview a representative for the Public Works and Engineering was quoted saying that they City of Houston provides safe drinking water that meets and exceeds all the established levels for the State or the Federal Government and to her knowledge the Public Works Representative is legally accurate but she is deeply concerned about the health risks associated with the known levels of chromium 6 and they ask the City of Houston to take steps to exceed and or not only meet but exceed the normal drinking standards and Congressman Al Green had called on the EPA to investigate the water quality in Alief which they do appreciate the request, they wanted to start here on a local level how this impacts them first and asked the City to resolve this issue and with a quick search she found numerous leaking underground storage tanks and almost at the exact stops the same spots as these high tested level. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster, Green and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Young.
Ms. Tammy Telly, no address, no number, appeared and stated that she actually lives in Alief in zip code 77099 and she personal has some health issue as well as her daughter, she is 10 and just recently diagnosed with Celiac Disease and she also has a 9 year old Great Niece who lives in Alief in apartments that are right behind, if they look at the map her front door backs up to the Covey Lane address and that location is one of the highest levels which was tested and tested at 6.3 and that California regulations which is 0.2 and anything that is higher than 0.2 has health effects on humans whether it is by touch, inhaled or indigested and her niece that is 9 since 2016 she had been throwing up and nauseous for the last year, off and on and at the end of the year in 2016 she was actually out of school for 3 weeks because she was throwing up and eventually had to go to the emergency room and they still do not know why she is throwing up off and on, she does look healthy, though she had lost a lot of weight in the last 3 weeks and whether or not that has anything to do with the chromium 6, she just knows that he apartment front door backs up to one of the highest levels that where tested for chromium 6 location and they are requesting for them to help them find the source of this possible chromium 6 and that they are one of the highest location for chromium 6 in 77099. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster, Green and Christie.

Mayor Turner stated that they would follow up with Dr. Steven Williams who is over the City Health Department and for her to touch bases with Gary Norman that is with PWE and Rhonda which is with the Mayor’s Citizens Assistance Office to see what they can do.

Ms. Jolene Armstrong, 1816 Matamoros, 77023, (281)799-9056 appeared and stated that she is present to speak to them about corruption that is going on in the Permitting Center, she has documentation of 2 instances of Inspectors falsifying information so that work can be done without a permit on May 31, 2016 she called 311 to report that work is being done at 1787 Pasadena and this house was having a lot of work being done that included new siding, new windows, new roofs and the report number on her complaint is 220-4569 and then she called 311 on 6/7/2016 to see the status of this report and the 311 operator read in her notes that Inspector ID 295 that there was a permit posted on the property and she knew that this was not true so she immediately called the Permitting Center to see if they had a record of an active permit at this address and they told her that they did not, Inspector 295 falsified his report and anytime she sees work being done on a property that she does not see a permit post she calls 311 to report it because if she feels that she has to pull permits to get worked done on her properties and everyone has to do the same, on 2/7/2017 she noticed a bulldozer tearing up a sidewalk and driveway at 1740 Pasadena and this area was being prepared for the new lane and sidewalk and she called 311 to report this working is being done was given a case number 249-0490 and she called 311 to see the status of the report on 2/13/17 and was told that Inspector 133 wrote in his notes that no permits were needed because the sidewalk and driveway was not being made bigger and that the owner did not need a permit to do this work and then she called the Permitting Center to see if that was true what the report said and they told her that was not true and the person that she spoke to in the Building Inspection said not only they need a permit to replace a driveway and sidewalk they also need to submit plans for the work and who does the work needed to have been bonded, she would like an outside investigation on the Houston Permitting Office because if Inspectors are falsifying information, they should be fired along with everyone else that is protecting them, when this first took place she did complain to a Supervisor in the Permitting Office and then they contacted her to Investigation Department and they ignored her, never called her back and since then when she calls about working being done no one would give her information over the phone and she explained the process that she had to go through to have work done on her property and a permit should be public knowledge. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster and Christie absent.
Mayor Turner stated that they take all kinds of matters like this very seriously and he will speak with the person that is over the Permitting Center and he would like to get a response to what she had said today.

Ms. Patricia Mallard, 9726 Guest St., 77078, (713)631-7910 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster and Christie absent.

Ms. Margaret Torres, 306 Sunnyside St. No.842, 77006, (832)573-7334 appeared and stated she is speaking about free service dogs and her friend that is a Veteran that was present was not on the list to speak but that she started a program it is free service dogs for Veterans that are suffering from PTSD and she would like the City Council Members and the Mayor’s Citizens Assistance Office help in finding grants programs that are available to have an office for this organization and to also hire Veterans to train the puppies so that the puppies will be ready by the age of 6 months and then to be trained by the professional PTSD service training organization and far as the dogs are going to be provided to the Veterans and everything is free, this is a legitimate organization not scammers, they have been doing it for years and she found them through the internet and she is really excited about the program, she salutes Veterans everyday of the year and if anyone can help her with the program she be would appreciate them. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster, Green, Knox and Christie absent.

Ms. Lynnette Tello, 2220 South St., 77009, (2 81)799-8851 appeared and stated that she is present to speak against the outdoor noise and the bass generated by the White Oak Music Hall and to be a voice for her neighborhood, the elderly and the children that she sees everyday in her neighborhood and at the Spark Park playing, she is a 52 years residents of the Northside and a teacher at Travis Elementary and her first memory of a tragic event in the neighborhood was the Moody Gardens riot in 1978 which caused them to lose businesses and families moving away but they stayed to save the neighborhood, then came the opening of the Harbor Light Salvation Army which is on North Mains street and attracted many transients that made it less safe to walk in their neighborhood because of their loitering in the area but they stayed to save the neighborhood and explained what happens in the neighborhood and why they stayed and the most recent tragedy was the stabbing and murdering of Jose Flores which had made them fearful especially the children are fearful of walking the streets in their neighborhood but yet they continue to stay in the neighborhood to save it and now they are made to suffer sleepless nights due to the outdoor theater of White Oak Music Hall, the whole neighborhood is sleep derived, anxious and having focus issues but they stay and this might be the one tragedy that destroys their neighborhood, they continue to work with the Police and their neighbors to keep their neighborhood from becoming such an extreme crime and drug invested area of Houston that no one would want to live or have a business, white Oak Music hall is making a profit and benefitting all their years of hard work to save their neighborhood, they support indoor music events but asked them to prohibit any outdoor music events. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Green, Knox and Christie absent. NO QUORUM

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 Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Green, Knox and Christie absent. NO QUORUM
Ms. Bridget Alexander McDaniel, 8114 St. Lo. Rd., 77033, (713)987-3854 appeared and stated that there was a mix up in the Secretary Office with the presentation with the Mayor’s Office because she spoke about it last week and he provided a note to Mayor Turner about what needs to be done and all she wants to say is cop killer and that is what the situation is with the Kasmere garage. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Green, Knox and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Joshua De La Cerda, 4902 Sabrina Dr., 77066, (832)224-5268 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Green, Knox and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Ms. Darlene Hosea-King, 6642 Hirondel, 77087, (832) 892-3278 appeared and stated that she can guarantee that there is not a person in this Chamber who would want their property taken against the Constitution of this State, she would like to speak with Council Member Gallegos because she did get a call from his office before she came over and she was addressed by Mr. Anthony regarding her loved one and she would like some assistances with this property issue that she has. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Green, Knox and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Mr. Travis Martin, 302 Eleanor St., 77009, (701)319-0005 appeared and stated that he wanted to take a little time to discuss HPD policies regarding surveillance and he does have some documents to pass along which is an internal memo from a Sergeant requesting $22,000.00 for a surveillance system to work in accordance with the systems that they already use and that Mayor Turner told him that he was an activist and these surveillance system to be used to target activist and he would like a little more time because this is a complex issue and he wanted to try to explain this in a workable example that everyone can understand. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Green, Knox and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

Ms. Deborah Elaine Allen, P.O. Box 263252, 77027, (713)264-0127 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Green, Knox and Christie absent. **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 4:08 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 15, 2017, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Green, Knox and Christie absent. **NO QUORUM**

At 8:35 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, February 15, 2017 Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, 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 Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present. Council Member Karla Cisneros out of the City on personal business.

At 9:14 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and recognized Council Member Cohen for a procedural motion. Council Members Davis, Martin, Gallegos and Robinson absent.
Council Member Cohen moved to suspend the rules to consider Item 1 prior to the Mayor’s Report and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Martin, Gallegos and Robinson absent. **MOTION 2017-0098 ADOPTED**

1. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment of the following individuals to the **HOUSTON CLEAN CITY COMMISSION**:
   - Position Eight - **MORRIS SMITH**, for a term to expire 2/1/2018
   - Position Eleven - **MICHAEL D. SUTTERER**, for an unexpired term ending 2/1/2019
   - Position Fourteen - **DIXIE GIBSON MEYNIER**, for a term to expire 2/1/2018
   - was presented, moved by Council Member Green and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Martin and Gallegos absent. **MOTION 2017-0099 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner invited the Members of the Houston Clean City Commission to the podium and asked them to introduce themselves and Mayor Turner and Members of Council thanked them for their willingness to serve.

At 9:23 a.m. Mayor Turner moved to the Mayor’s Report.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Turner stated he wanted to thank all of the Members of Council for what they did during the course of those 10 days of the Super Bowl and he stated that he had something for the Members of Council which was a framed Copy of the front page of the Houston Chronicle “Best Ever” and it was memento of what took place for their future reference and it was a team effort and everyone contributed to the success of the Super Bowl and he wanted to say thank you to all of the Members of Council.

Mayor Turner stated on the second thing he wanted to speak about the pension effect itself, the Bill is being finalized by the Legislative Council, they are making their adjustments and they have been working with Ron Lewis and they anticipate that it will happen very soon and once the Bill had been finalized in terms of the drafting, all of Members of Council will get a copy as soon as it is done; the Governor is getting an update today on the Pension Bill as it relates to Houston and Dallas, this is a good deal but not a perfect deal and he had not seen another plan presented by anyone that is going to reduce the unfunded liability by even one dime and when it comes to unfunded liability which is about $8 Billion dollars and let us assume there is not Bill in this Legislative session which means that they would not be able change it or do anything until the next Legislative session and that is 2 years from now and that $8 Billion will grow and in this budgetary process but assume there is no pension resolution, he is here to tell them to add another 130 Million dollars to this budget which means the only way they are going to balance the budget if there is no Pension Reform and if this bill does not go through because he is assuming the worse and in the few months as they tackle the City Budget of 130 Million dollars shortfall which means massive layoffs here in the City of Houston, he just wanted them to know and wanted them to understand the reality.

Mayor Turner further stated let’s get back to a very cheerful note and invited Susan Christian to the podium as he did not want to leave Susan out because she is not a City Council Member but she is over Special Events and she helped marshal the City resources Police, Fire, Municipal workers, Public Works during the course of the Super Bowl and the 11 events that happened in every District which he thinks it made Houstonians feel like they were part of it, she also worked on the contracting, worked on the negotiating terms to make sure the City was
reimbursed on what it put out and he wanted to give her a token of their appreciation which was a framed copy of the Houston Chronicle stating “Best Ever”.

Members of Council thanked her for everything she did and does for the City of Houston.

At 9:57 a.m. Mayor Turner requested that the City Secretary to call the Consent Agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 2 through 32**

**MISCELLANEOUS** - NUMBERS 2 and 3

2. **RECOMMENDATION** from Chief of Police for extension of Injury on Duty Leave (Salary Continuation) for **Officer ADRIAN GILLARDO**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Travis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2017-0100 ADOPTED**

3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of the 2017 Operations and Maintenance Budget for the **LUCE BAYOU PROJECT** operated by the Coastal Water Authority - $1,022,945.00 - Enterprise Fund- - was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Travis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2017-0101 ADOPTED**

**ACCEPT WORK** - NUMBERS 4 and 5

4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of $1,601,112.79 and acceptance of work on contract with **TIMES CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Pre-Construction and Construction Phase Services for 8000 N. Stadium Drive - Health Administration Building - 0.52% under the original Guaranteed Maximum Price - **DISTRICT K – GREEN**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Travis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2017-0102 ADOPTED**

5. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of $4,124,367.54 and acceptance of work on contract with **MCKINNEY CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Water Line Replacement in Shadydale Area - 3.69% under the original contract amount and under 5% contingency amount - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Travis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2017-0103 ADOPTED**

**PROPERTY** - NUMBER 6

6. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering, reviewed and approved by the Joint Referral Committee, on request from Port of Houston Authority of Harris County, Texas (Jim P. Vo, Real Estate Asset Manager), declining the acceptance of,
rejecting, and refusing the dedication of Frio Street, from Cypress Street south to its
terminus located within the former Town of Harrisburg out of the John R. Harris Survey,
Parcel SY17-014 - DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS- was presented, moved by Council Member
Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council
Members Travis and Kubosh absent. MOTION 2017-0104 ADOPTED

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBERS 7 and 8

7. 3M COGENT dba COGENT SYSTEMS, INC for Automated Fingerprint Identification
System Software, Hardware Maintenance and Support Renewal for the Houston Police
Department - $346,911.24 - General Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member
Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council
Members Travis and Kubosh absent. MOTION 2017-0105 ADOPTED

8. SYNAGRO OF TEXAS-CRD, INC for approval of spending authority in an amount not to
exceed $550,000.00 for the Removal of Solids from two East Water Purification Plant for the
Department of Public Works & Engineering - Enterprise Fund - was presented, moved by
Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council
Members Travis and Kubosh absent. MOTION 2017-0106 ADOPTED

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 13 through 32

13. ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 26 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, HOUSTON,
TEXAS, relating to off-street parking and loading- was presented, the City Secretary advised
that Item 13 had not been received and if received during the course of the meeting, will be
considered at the end of the Agenda.

20. ORDINANCE releasing certain territory consisting of approximately 36.7 acres in Waller
County, adjacent to the City of Waller, Texas, located at 42511 Old Houston Highway, from
the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston- was presented, all voting aye, nays
none. Council Members Travis and Kubosh absent. ORDINANCE 2017-0081 ADOPTED

24. ORDINANCE appropriating $188,000.00 out of Fire Consolidated Construction Fund;
$1,137,000.00 out of Parks Consolidated Construction Fund; $212,000.00 out of Solid
Waste Consolidated Construction Fund; $371,000.00 out of Police Consolidated
Construction Fund; $174,000.00 out of Public Library Consolidated Construction Fund;
$602,000.00 out of Public Health Consolidated Construction Fund; and $657,000.00 out of
General Improvement Consolidated Construction Fund for reimbursement project
management costs for FY17 Capital Improvement Plan Projects for City Departments- was
presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Travis and Kubosh absent. ORDINANCE 2017-0082 ADOPTED

26. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 15.165 acres of land to HARRIS COUNTY
MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 82, for inclusion in its district- was presented, all
voting aye, nays none. Council Members Travis and Kubosh absent. ORDINANCE 2017-
0083 ADOPTED
27. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining public convenience and necessity for the acquisition of real property interests in connection with the public improvement project known as the New/Replacement Ground Water Well - White Oak Project; authorizing the acquisition of fee simple or easement interest to one parcel of land required for the project and situated in the Samuel Lewis Survey, Abstract No. 510, in Harris County, Texas, said parcel of land being located along the eastern property lines of Lots 39, 40, 41 and 42 in Block 6 of Candlelight Forest West, Section Three Subdivision in Houston, Harris County, Texas, by gift, dedication, purchase and the use of eminent domain and further authorizing payment of the costs of such purchase and/or eminent domain proceedings and associated costs for relocation assistance, appraisal fees, title policies/services, recording fees, court costs, and expert witness fees in connection with the acquisition of fee simple or easement interest to the parcel of land required for the project **DISTRICT A – STARDIG-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Travis and Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0084 ADOPTED**

28. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining public convenience and necessity for the acquisition of real property interests in connection with the public improvement project known as the Magnolia Point Internal Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project; authorizing the acquisition of fee simple or easement interest to three parcels of land required for the project and situated in the James H. Isbell Survey, Abstract No. 474, in Harris County, Texas, said parcels of land being located along the north line of White Oak Drive and the south line of Magnolia Point Drive, in Houston, Harris County, Texas, by gift, dedication, purchase and the use of eminent domain and further authorizing payment of the costs of such purchases and/or eminent domain proceedings and associated costs for relocation assistance, Appraisal Fees, Title Policies/Services, Recording Fees, Court Costs, and Expert Witness Fees in connection with the acquisition of fee simple or easement interest to the three parcels of land required for the project **DISTRICT E – MARTIN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Travis and Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0085 ADOPTED**

32. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $5,583,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **BLASTCO TEXAS, INC** for Rehabilitation of Water Storage Tanks at Various Locations - Package 7; 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, design services during construction, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; E - MARTIN; F - LE; G - TRAVIS and K – GREEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Travis and Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0086 ADOPTED**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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

9. **RESOLUTION** confirming no objection to the proposed development as affordable rental housing of certain properties, each located in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, Texas or having been annexed into the City of Houston only for limited purposes,
or to the submittal of applications for housing tax credits for such developments- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2017-0004 ADOPTED**

10. **RESOLUTION** confirming no objection to the proposed development as affordable rental housing of certain properties, each located in the City of Houston, Texas, or to the submittal of applications for housing tax credits for such developments- was presented,

Council Member Stardig moved that the question be divided in Item 10 to consider Holly Oaks, L.P. Project separately and seconded by Council Member Laster, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2017-0107 ADOPTED**

Council Member Stardig moved to amend Item 10 to change “no objection” for the Holly Oaks L.P. Project and seconded by Council Member Laster, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2017-0108 ADOPTED**

Council Members Boykins and Martin tagged the remaining portion of Item 10.

11. **RESOLUTION** confirming support for the proposed development as affordable rental housing of certain properties, each located in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, Texas or having been annexed into the City of Houston only for limited purposes, and the submittal of applications for housing tax credits for such developments- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2017-0005 ADOPTED**

12. **RESOLUTION** confirming support for the proposed development as affordable rental housing of certain properties, each located in the City of Houston, Texas, and the submittal of applications for housing tax credits for such developments- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2017-0006 ADOPTED**

14. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **THE MEN’S CENTER, INCORPORATED dba RECENTER**, to add up to $100,000 in Community Development Block Grant Funds for the continuing provision of Case Management Services to current emergency and transitional housing residents recovering from alcohol and/or substance abuse - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0087 ADOPTED**

15. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **THE WOMEN’S HOME** to add up to $100,000 in Community Development Block Grant Funds for the continuing operation of a Homeless Services Program - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0088 ADOPTED**

16. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **HOUSTON HELP, INC**, to add up to $348,975.00 in Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Funds for the continuing administration and operation of a community residence, along with the provision of other supportive services - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0089 ADOPTED**

17. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **SEARCH HOMELESS SERVICES** to add up to $550,000 in Homeless Housing and Services Program Funds for the continuing operation of a Housing Case
Management and Supportive Services Program for homeless individuals- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0090 ADOPTED**

18. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Purchase and Sale Agreement between HOUSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY, Seller, and the City of Houston, Texas, Purchaser, for the purchase of 7.0299 acres of land and known as Westbury Community Gardens (Parcel No. QY17-001), located at 12500 Hillcroft, Houston, Harris County, Texas, for $800,000.00 - **DISTRICT K – GREEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0091 ADOPTED**

19. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing the Director of the City of Houston Health Department to accept a grant award from the U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Disease response to Zika and other arboviruses activities; declaring the City’s eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Director to expend the grant funds, as awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the grant- was presented, Council Member Christie voting no, balance voting aye. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0092 ADOPTED**

21. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Retail Gas Rates of CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX within the City of Houston, Texas; setting a hearing regarding just and reasonable rates to be observed within the City of Houston

**HEARING DATE - 9:00 A.M. - WEDNESDAY - MARCH 1, 2017**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0093 ADOPTED**

22. **ORDINANCE** approving the issuance of bonds by the Uptown Development Authority **DISTRICTS C - COHEN; G - TRAVIS and J - LASTER** – was presented and tagged by Council Member Travis. Council Member Davis absent.

23. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing second amendment to the Power Purchase Agreement for Installed Capacity, Energy and Environmental Attributes between the City of Houston, SOLAIREHOLMAN 1 LLC, and RELIANT ENERGY RETAIL SERVICES LLC (Approved by Ordinance No. 2015-1120); amending Ordinance No. 2015-1120 to increase the maximum contract amount - $124,677,893 - Central Service Revolving Fund- was presented and tagged by Council Member Knox.

25. **ORDINANCE** altering maximum prima facie speed limits in certain school zones in the City of Houston; making various findings and containing other provisions relating to the subject; declaring certain conduct to be unlawful and providing a penalty; providing for severability; containing a repealer; containing a savings clause- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0094 ADOPTED**

29. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $583,635.35 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF Fund; approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and HARRIS COUNTY for Improvements to Antoine Drive between West Gulf Bank Drive and West Mount Houston; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0095 ADOPTED**
30. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Advanced Funding Agreement between the City of Houston and **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for the Westpark Storm Sewer System Clean Out Project - $250,000.00 - Stormwater Fund - **DISTRICT J – LASTER** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0096 ADOPTED**

31. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and **HARRIS COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT** to Develop and Construct Inwood Storm Water Detention Basins (as approved by Ordinance No. 2011-0173) - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0097 ADOPTED**

**NON CONSENT AGENDA - NUMBER 33**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

33. **RECEIVE** nominations for Positions 11 and 13 of the **HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for a term that will end March 1, 2019- was presented,

Council Member Cohen nominated Brie Kelman for re-appointment to the Houston Archeological and Historical Commission, position 11 and distributed her resume.

Council Member Gallegos moved to nominated Mr. Ben Koush for appointment to Position 13 on the Houston Archeological and Historical Commission and distributed his resume.

Council Member Robinson moved to close the nomination for Positions 11 and 13 of the **HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS** and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2017-0109 ADOPTED**

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 10:51 a.m. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster, Green, Knox and Kubosh absent. **DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY**

**MINUTES READ AND APPROVED**

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Anna Russell, City Secretary