

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, August 15, 2017

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 15, 2017; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Larry Green, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; and Randy Zamora, Legal Department; Marta Crinejo Agenda Director Agenda Office present. Council Member Steve Le out of the City on personal business.

At 1:33 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and stated they would start the presentations. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Green, Knox and Christie absent.

Council Member Kubosh stated Harlon's BBQ was founded in 1977 by two families with a great name in common, Harlon Brooks and Harlan West, along with their wives, Freddie and Margaret, they opened the first Harlon's BBQ in South Park in Houston and from its original location to more than 24 locations nationwide, Harlon And Freddie Brooks would go on to become one of the first African-American business owners to have locations in the Houston Airport System, with restaurants in Houston InterContinental's Terminal B and C and in the Hobby Airport. The Harlon's BBQ concept later opened a location in the Dallas Fort Worth Airport System, as the first African-American franchise owners of Dickey's BBQ with three franchise units. The Brooks family opened locations at additional airports with Harlon's BBQ kiosks at Bergstrom in Austin, Texas, and McCarran International in Las Vegas, Nevada and the Brooks family went on to establish additional locations throughout Houston, including Downtown Bayou Place, Miller Outdoor Theater, Fiesta Groceries, the Houston Galleria, The George R. Brown Convention Center, Harlon's Discount Liquor Store, The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Wings Over Houston Airshow and University of Houston. They also established a Harlon's BBQ in their hometown of Nacogdoches and opened two more locations in Douglas, Texas, and on Old Tyler Road, Harlon's BBQ has been featured in the Houston Chronicle, Texas Monthly, The Daily Sentinel, the Houston Press, Good Morning America, Anderson Cooper and countless radio and independent media outlets and on August 15, 2017, Harlon's BBQ will be honored and recognized for its 40th anniversary. The City of Houston commends the Brooks family and all others involved in Harlon's BBQ for their accomplishments and extends best wishes for continued success and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed August 15, 2017, as Harlon's BBQ Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Green, Knox and Christie absent.

Council Member Robinson stated that the Houston area is wonderfully enriched by its most vital resource – inspired individuals who are willing to serve the public in all sectors, through tireless personal service and leadership, professionals and community volunteers alike work daily to improve the quality of life for all and for almost five years, Joseph Dinnon has volunteered his time and energy in the support of children and families in his home community of Alief and he tirelessly volunteers his time to coach youth basketball and never fails to provide support for the free community events hosted at various time in the Alief area, during the month of August, Joseph Dinnon collects school supplies, singlehandedly distributing backpacks in support of the community youth as they return to school, each year, he solicits and provides donations to serve Thanksgiving dinners for close to 200 families, and, at Christmas, he takes charge collecting and delivering gift donations for children and the Alief community fondly refers to him as Mr. Alief and he recently received a Community Partner Appreciation award from the Alief Family YMCA for

helping and supporting many of their community outreach efforts and on August 14, 2017, Joseph Dinnon will be honored for his work and tireless commitment to the community and the City of Houston commends and appreciates Joseph Dinnon for his selflessness, community spirit, devotion and support to children and families and extends best wishes on all future endeavors and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed August 14, 2017, as Joseph Dinnon Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Green and Christie absent.

Council Member Cohen stated that as a welcoming, diverse and inclusive city for women from all walks of life and Houston supports female leaders and recognizes that women's rights are human rights, in 1977, Houston was honored to host the first and only National Women's Conference and on August 15, 2017, the official launch of the U.S. National Women's Conference's commemoration of the delegates and participants of the 1977 U.S. National Women's Conference will take place and this momentous event will commence on November 3-7, 2017, this historical time will be honored throughout Houston, with several organizations hosting events and the University of Houston School of Public History, in collaboration with University of Houston Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies, will engage in fresh conversation about U.S. politics and society in the last quarter of the twentieth century, hosting a series of events where citizens can interact with the living history of the women's equality movement, during September and November 2017, Houston Women March will launch a series of community dinners with crowdsourced legislative goals to update the original 1977 legislative platform of 26 planks which was published in the "Spirit of Houston" report and delivered to the President of the United States and the City of Houston commends and appreciates The University of Houston, Houston Women March, League of Women Voters of the Houston Area, and allies for their participation and encourages all Houstonians to celebrate Houston's diverse history and future engagement with human rights, equality and justice for all and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed August 15, 2017, as 40th Anniversary of the U.S. National Women's Conference Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig and Gallegos absent.

At 2:05 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Edwards for the invocation and she invited Dr. Sandra Montgomery for the invocation and Council Member Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent.

At 2:09 p.m. the Roll was called. Council Member Gallegos absent. Council Member Steve Le out of the City on personal business.

Council Member Green moved to adopted the minutes for July 18-19, 2017 and to postpone adoption of the balance of the minutes and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Gallegos absent. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Council Member Kubosh moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Ms. Demetria Smith out of order and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Gallegos absent. **MOTION 2017-0517 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Boykins for a point of personal privilege; Council Member Boykins recognized Reverend Robert McGee who is present with them after 43 years in the Ministry and he wanted to publicly thank him for what he had done and request him to stand to be recognized.

Council Member Knox moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Ms. Tomaro Bell out of order and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2017-0517 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner stated that they have shifted from the proclamation portion into the Public Speaking portion and request no applause and reminded the audience of the Rules of Council.

Council Member Travis moved that rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Mr. Daniel Kebort out of order and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2017-0517-1 ADOPTED**

At 2:13 p.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

Ms. Kay Haslam, 25 Legend Ln., 77024, (713)485-5017 appeared and presented information and stated that she lives near Gessner and she is here to protest this drainage plan that is offered by the TIRZ 17, they have received water from 10 subdivisions to the North from commercial along I10 and even North of I10 and this TIRZ 17 Drainage Plan proposes to import water, more water and this plan would be devastating to them and please remember that all the water that they have received it makes it way to the Bayou would be in Downtown Houston within 6 hours and they also would be receiving it and they would not be the only ones suffering and further more they take water from the Bayou, it flows North, the Bayou is so overburdened that water flows North to Memorial Drive and it over tops Memorial Drive and it even gurgles under a private culvert and they cannot handle anymore water and they wish that they would have their Deputy Director of Public Works to review this plan and to gather a committee and draw up a proposal that would work for everybody and she know that the TIRZ 17 does not want their customers walking through water in parking lots and get their feet wet and they have bigger problems South of Memorial Drive and she requested them to please help them out and she had emailed each of the Council Members a copy of some points that they might want to look at carefully. Council Member Boykins absent.

Mayor Turner and Council Members questioned Ms. Haslam.

Ms. Lois Meyers, 9701 Westview Dr., 77055, (713)775-2443 appeared and stated that she had come here on an important mission which is to ask the Mayor to please to take up the challenge to change the detention pond law in this City and the reason why she is asking him to do that and the only way they can change the detention pond law if Mayor Turner would put that on the Agenda for a vote by we the people and what the problem is that Public Works and Engineering keep that detention pond law and drainage law under them, they decide it and not we the people decide it and she is making a strong plea to take this challenge and this golden opportunity to take the historical lead to stop man made flooding, we need more detention ponds, they do not need inline detention and the current detention laws are wrong because they have too many loop holes that allow developers to skip out and not to put detention ponds on their site, that is the fight, they all do not want flooding but who is going to pay for it, developers need to pay to put in their own detention ponds on their own site, instead of dumping it onto the streets and the County has not approved of any project by I10 because they are putting in too much water, the City and the TIRZ put water into the Bayous and ditches and tell them to go back to the drawing boards to figure out where are they going to put all their water and the Mayor has a big mess and they want a town hall meeting because she went to the TIRZ meeting on July 14th and Council Member Travis ask where should they have meeting and she have asked Council Member Stardig staff to also have a meeting and no one had s meeting and request that they would not pass any Ordinance on the TIRZ budget until they have a town hall meeting or until the Mayor puts on the City Agenda a detention pond law. Council Members Boykins and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner stated that they are and they are looking at all of the detention pond policies and they recognize that there is a need and some of what she is saying he does not disagree and he

agrees that all want to mitigate the risk of flooding and they are constantly reviewing and updating their strategies in order to mitigate the risk of flooding.

Council Member Stardig questioned Ms. Myers.

Ms. Bruce Nichols, 12439 Huntingwick Dr., 77024, (713)249-7133 appeared and stated that he is Chair of the Frostwood Flood Committee and is here to tell them that Frostwood strongly supports TIRZ 17 for Items 8 and 9 on this week's Agenda and they see this annexation as the first step in a TIRZ 17 plan that will improve their drainage and enhance pedestrian safety and traffic flow and the plan has been discussed by the public and it first came up at a TIRZ 17 meeting more than 2 years ago in April of 2015 and TIRZ 17 plans another meeting to discuss and get feedback on the details and TIRZ 17 is planning to do this project and they remain watchful to make sure that TIRZ 17 projects are done carefully to protect homeowners and they are sure that TIRZ 17 is trying to do that right thing for neighborhoods around it and there is not a mess at TIRZ 17 and there had been a mess at TIRZ 17 in the past and he really is encouraged on the way that TIRZ 17 is taking now and they are trying to solve some of the problems that they may have created in the past and they are trying to stop living in the past and holding onto old resentments, they want to move forward and to find realistic resolution and work with TIRZ 17 and most of the neighborhoods around him feel the same way. Council Member Green absent.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Nichols.

Ms. Moreen Smith, 11135 Bellspring Dr., 77072, (281)933-0378 appeared and stated that she is back and in all her life she never been here in one year and in so many times and she is coming to say that she would like them to untag those bonds and to release them, she is in District F, they need the money that is there, it should be for the voters to vote on and it is her understanding that they put in their input, they have the discussion and the meetings which they do not have but they try to express themselves out there as they all know, their community center literally have holes in their walls and holding up the bond issue on those things is hindering their community, they have a few meeting rooms but no public areas and she wants them to step back and let the voters decide and they have had enough public input up to now and she is sorry that Council Member Le is not here to say that to him directly. Council Members Boykins and Christie absent.

Ms. Demetria Smith, 1200 Dairy Ashford, 77079, (832)671-9712 appeared and stated that she is here to speak about the SafeClear Ordinance, over the weekend her daughter had broke down on the freeway with her 4 kids that were sitting in the back, she was on the phone with her when her car stopped suddenly, she told her that she had to do something because her hazardous does not work, she did not want to be splattered with her kids, she called the Police and the moment when she said that she called the Police she knew that it would not end up right, she called her back and she was crying and screaming, they were there and she told her that they wanted to take her to jail and take her kids to CPS and then she hung up, she could not get to her at the time, she called her oldest daughter, she got there with a gas can but when she got there the Officer already had her other daughter in cuffs because her daughter refused to tow because she did not have the money to tow and she had was run out of gas and her other daughter had the gas can but the Officer refused for her to have the gas can and they cuffed her without knowing her name for 45 minutes and she was screaming because she did not want her kids to go to CPS because those kids just got out of CPS in 2015 and that case was no suited with no evidence and she did not want to continue to be a victim on what is going on at the City, so she spoke to that sergeant and she told that everything he did was unconstitutional like she was under criminal investigation, all she did was call them to help assist her and that Officer still arrested her and said that is not the way things go and this SafeClear Ordinance does say that it is an arrestable

offense if someone violates the Penal Code but this Ordinance has everything to do with the Texas Code and not the Penal Code, she was not given that right, she spent 75 hours at the Harris County and the City and that Officer classified that report as homicide and she could not get a bond for 24 hours. Council Member Christie absent.

Mayor Turner stated that they would have to take a look at it and he would have to investigate it because he cannot speak about it until they have the facts and he got the information that she was going to be here today but did not tell them on why she was going to be here, Ms. Smith stated to Mayor Turner that the last time she was here he was supposed to take a look at something and he did not and Mayor Turner stated to her if she had given them the facts before she was here but she chose not to tell them.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Smith.

Ms. Smith started yelling and Mayor Turner requested for the Police Officers to remove her from the Chamber.

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to say this before they start again, there will be order in the Chamber and do not take that as an example.

Mr. Daniel Kebort, 99 North Post Oak Ln., Apt. No. 7303, 77024, (713)899-8084 appeared and stated that he was the owner a new establishment on Post Oak Blvd., that is called the Post Oak Poker Club, they have been drawing a little bit of attention due to the unique nature of their Club, when he was coming down to speak in front of them he was trying to find words on how to speak about it and the only word that he came up with was perception and perception has been the biggest challenge for him in getting this business established and working on this since 2012 and he began working on this in Austin and a gentlemen that was Lobbyist helped him work through the different channels and everyone in those channels have not told him that what he is doing is illegal, the way it looks on its face and to quote Council Member Travis from the news the other day that "it certainly appears that it should be illegal" but these clubs are operating legally and there has been others like his that have been operating in the State, his business is off Post Oak Blvd and if they come by with open minds they will see that they have many businesses leaders, they are members that they probably do not know that they come in their club and he wanted to extend the same invitation that they offered to the Council Member. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Green, Knox and Edwards absent.

Council Member Travis stated that he thanked him for coming down and that he did move him up the list so he can be heard and he knows why he is on Post Oak because he wanted to have status and have an image of his establishment that really does not exist and they both have spoken about this and he did tell him how he felt about it, he does not want it in his District, does not want it on Post Oak.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Kebort.

Ms. Tomaro Bell, 3248 Charleston St., 77021, (713)747-5950 appeared and stated that she came here few months ago in supporting the Bike Plan and they came and discussed the Bike Plan and one of the things we said is it's imperative that they remember the map they had presented was a guide and not written in stone, on June 14th South Main Alliance brought to Patrick Walsh they were upset about the LaBranch line that was going in front of the Children's Museum which the Director came and said about the safety issue and when they sent that out on June 14, he did not respond to them until August 1st and when he did respond to them he told them that he appreciates the data and there would be time to discuss what they decided but at the end of the letter it made

the Alliance feel that he would listen and not give in them about their option and she wanted to remind them to keep in mind that the public is entrusting them to make sure that it was put in place the way it was decided and that Public engagement is first and foremost and the map was a guide and it was not written in stone, those people are very upset and Director Walsh called her before she got here to tell her that what was at the end of that letter, the way they took it was not the way he intended. Council Members Davis and Green absent.

Council Members questioned Ms. Bell.

Mayor Turner stated that it was just a guide and Director Walsh does not make the final decision and the decision was said that they would take the input of people and put it under advisement, it is a guide and unless he says it, it not happening and it is a guide.

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

Ms. Joy Davis, 1221 Bluebonnet Place Circle, 77019, (832)207-2467 appeared and stated that she was here to address White Supremacy and racism within the Police Department and they need to stop being in denial about White Supremacy and racism and the first step in stopping it was acknowledge that one does exist. Council Members Davis and Green absent.

Mr. Damien Matthews, 13101 Briar Forest, (512)789-1772 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis and Green absent.

Ms. Jessica Catrett, 1127 Coachlight Dr., 77077, (281)786-6300 appeared and stated that this Country continues to be a danger for many people, the U.S. is threatened by terrorist, these people are not Muslims, Immigrants or Refugees, they have been here for a long, long, long time and in 2009 the Department of Homeland Security warned about the resurgence of White Supremacy and the events that happened in Charlottesville should be an eye opener and she demand that they take action and to please denounce White Supremacy and allocate resources to battlement of this threat in this diverse City. Council Member Davis absent.

Mr. Andy Teas, 4810 Westway Park Blvd., 77041, (713)595-0303 appeared and stated that he works for the Houston Apartment Association but he is here today as the President of the Houston Construction Industry Council and every few years the City of Houston adopts updated of Construction Code, Fire Code, Building Code, Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Energy and Residential Codes and these are very complex documents based on National Model Codes, the Council was created more than 50 years ago as a permitted Stakeholder Resource for the City of Houston on Construction Codes and over the years they have drafted Local Amendments to their Codes and many of them in which was adopted into the National Code and in his own industry he is proud that Houston is the first City in Texas to regard the phase out the 9 Volt battery smoke alarms in apartments and this small change will be an important safety enhancement and he wanted to reminded everyone here that the Construction Industry Council is here to hope to continue to be resource for the City. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Teas at length.

Mr. John Williams, 6535 Lindyann Ln., 77008, (281)652-6548 appeared and stated that he is a Home Builder and Developer and he is also a Member of the Houston Construction Industry Council and he is here as the Resident Co-Chairman for the Construction Industry Council and also a resident of the City of Houston and been one for a long time, the Construction Council was created by State Charter back in 1957 to help the City develop Codes and Code Amendments

that are reasonable to fit the local climate, practices and citizens and their purpose statement is associating together the various organizations of the Construction Industry to study and advise the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Houston and any of its Departments and Committees areas of Codification or Recodification of the City requirements, ordinances, licensed franchises or other controls of the construction of buildings, houses and other structures above or below ground and they are currently conducting their review of the Houston Residential Code requested by the City of Houston. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent.

Mr. Bradley Pepper, 8003 Sairdale Ln., 77063, (713)898-1257 appeared and stated that he just wanted to echo what was already said, he is with the Greater Houston Builders Association and today he is here on behalf of the Houston Construction Industry Council and they do want to partner and have partner with the City of Houston and Public Works and with all the changes in Public Works they wanted to come down and remind everyone but at the same time they do know how busy they are and how they depend on outside groups and agencies to help explain things to them so that they know when something gets here its fully vetted and have the opportunity to vote on it and have confidence in that and with that said they want to reinforce why they are here and what have been established in that process, they want to make sure that the City of Houston has all the information that they need from them so that they can make educated decisions on that. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Green absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Pepper.

Council Member Laster moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of adding Mr. Ashton Woods to the list of speakers and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Green absent. **MOTION 2017-0518 ADOPTED**

Mr. Keith Reihl, no address, (713)459-1044 appeared and stated that he is the Vice President of the Construction Industry Council and he gets the duty of filling Andys shoes when he retires in this upcoming year and he also is the Energy Co-Chair and the Energy Code is what a lot of debate is about and they try to resolve them as best as they could and he believes it is getting proper resolution now, he also is a Professional Engineer, he did a lot of the drawings and everything else, what the contractors have to follow and he had to comply to all these Codes and to understand them and they try to make sure that those Codes make sense because sometime you may have Codes that you read five times and it still does not make any sense, also Codes are there to provide safety and try to protect the citizen of this City and the people that visit this City. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Green absent.

Ms. Bonnie Fields, 14302 Norhill Pointe, 77044, (281)225-4760 appeared and stated that her complaint was with the Houston Police Officers and that Officers handling of an accident scene that her family and herself were involved in, his family was sitting at a red light waiting for the light to change and then a driver of a long large auto transport trailer that was being pulled by an F-350 dully style truck which made an illegal left turn and ran over their vehicle and causing damages and that driver at first fled the scene but came back to the scene by another motorcyclist and when the Officer arrived he stated that the truck driver was in the wrong and would be cited and then he visited the other driver and speaking with him for a while, the Officer returned to them and stated that he could not figure out who was at fault and he would let the insurance companies fight it out and the Officer filed a very damaging report against them and then drew a false diagram of the positions of the cars and he did everything to help the other driver after he met with him, they have visited with various Offices within HPD to get the report corrected and they all agree that there is a problem with the Officers statement but no one other than his Supervisor has the

authority to change the report and his Sergeant tried to have the serious errors corrected but this Officer seems that he is not willing to change the false statement, they have tried to reach out to the New Police Chief by letter on 6/19/17 as well as 2 phone calls to his Assistant Chief without any response to this very date and that why they found it necessary to seek assistance from their Mayor and City Council. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner questioned Ms. Fields and asked if she had filed a grievance with HPD and requested Ms. Fields to speak with Rhonda so they be able to follow up on the situation.

Ms. Valarie Phillips, 2711 Whitinham Dr., 77044, (281)225-4760 reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Mr. Steven Williams, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Mr. Tim McCloskey, 9215 Olathe, 77055, (832)286-8919 appeared and stated that he would like to speak to them about the speed limit within Memorial Park on Memorial Drive, Memorial Park is one of the largest Urban Parks in Texas and it has the most popular running trail in the City and Memorial Drive runs right through Memorial Park, the speed limit immediately outside of Memorial Park is 35 and the speed limit inside the Park increases to 40 mile per hour and he is here to request the speed reduction to 30 miles per hour, this would increase the safety of the Park but it would not increase travel time within the Park even through the length of the road through the Park is 2.3 miles and it is his understanding that engineering determine the speed limit on a set of criteria which includes the width of medians, driveways and intersections and according to this criteria that the speed limit within the Park could be increased and this past Saturday on August 12th marked the 4 year anniversary of his friend death who was riding his bicycle in Memorial Park who was killed by a motorist driving the speed limit of 40 miles per hour and he hopes that reducing the speed limit would help save another incident in the future. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Mr. Rodney Underwood, 2221 Wentworth, 77004, (832)868-7219 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Rev. Robert McGee, 2227 Winter Bay Ln., 77088, (713)854-3876 appeared and stated that he is the Chair Person of the EEDC the Emancipation Economic Development Council is a collaborative of organizations and their mission is to inspire hope and to contribute to the revitalization and preservation of Emancipation Park neighborhood in the 3rd Ward and now he has some colleagues that are here today to speak to them about some activities that will be taking place in this City in 2018. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Knox and Kubosh absent.

Rev. Linda Davis, 2812 Milby St., 77004, (832)423-8911 appeared and stated that she is a Pastor at United Methodist Church in the 3rd Ward and she is the Co-Chair if the EEDC Faith and Action a work group and requested that EEDC Faith and Action Work Group Members to stand and as people of faith they are called to unify the 3rd Ward Community Historical Faith Communities and serve the spiritual health of the Community and by understanding, improving and preserving the spiritual and historical community of 3rd Ward in regards building equity in their community, they have identified 108 faith based organizations in the Greater 3rd Ward, of these 108, 29 are 100 years or older, 16 are designated with Historical markers and the average age is 70 years and their group was found by Rev. McGee several months ago and since they were founded they have developed 2 heath Community Partnerships and are working with Debora Sloan for

guidelines for establishing historical marks for the area. Mayor Turner, Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Knox and Kubosh absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Rev. Davis.

Mr. Chris Spellmon, 10414 Royal Oaks Dr., 77068, (817)689-6457 appeared and stated that he is the Co-Chair of the EECF Faith and Action Work Group and they have heard from Chair Rev. McGee and also Rev. Davis on the outstanding work that is in 3rd Ward in the Historical District and he is here to request and inform for support in regards the Faith and Action Groups partnership Evangelical Lutheran Youth Group Gathering and with Youth Gathering which is a triennial event that the Evangelical Lutheran Church Americas that puts on in different cities in the Country where the youth and adult leaders gather for worship and community service, they will bring over 30,000 youth from the Country to this City for the youth gathering next summer; their plan is to do a mini project for each of the 5 communities that is starting in January to May in 2018, they would like the assistant help from the Mayor and the City Council Members who are in the Districts of the 5 Communities and they need their help in identifying projects and Stakeholders that these young people can work alongside and share the history of their communities, they need their assistance from the Planning Department, the Department of Neighborhoods, Housing and Community Development, Solid Waste and that is just name a few and they are planning to do minor home repairs, community gardens, painting homes and more minor services and they hope when the students leave they leave with rich information about the history of this great City and they cannot do this without their support. Mayor Turner, Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Kubosh and Knox absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Spellmon.

Mr. Cody Miller, 1303 Vassar, Apt. No.6, 77006, (832)373-7770 appeared and stated that he does work for the Evangelical Lutheran of America and next June they will be having 30,000 youth and they are coming to the City of Houston as their triennial youth event and these youth are coming all over the Country, they will be staying at these hotel, eating at these restaurants and they will be also serving in the City within our communities and his job is to locate projects all over the City and to work with Council to get all of their support because Council all know their areas in their Districts and would love to speak to them and they are also looking to work with nonprofits and with other organizations that do great work in the City. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Mr. Dok Boarnig, 2200 Jefferson St., 77003, 869-1144 appeared and stated that to the Mayor if he remembers the funds for the Housing and Administration funds that he spoke up channel 26 and there are some issues that he does see that are inhuman and violations of their Civil Rights, the SRAs which are also called SROs which he does not think the Mayor knows what they are either and which are Single Residence Occupancies and that the Mayor had basically violated their Civil Rights and it is a State Law that he does not characterize a person which he has and he characterize the homeless people, the Mayor takes their tents, their cooking equipment away and then move them to his camp and then ask them to pay for an oven, he would rather pay for a car than go buy an oven, not only has he violated their Housing Rights by allowing certain organizations and all of these different characters in one place and then they list the type of people that live in these SROs and by doing that they have violated their Civil Rights as humans and they allow this to continue and finds that appalling and for Mayor to have the Police take his oven away and then put him in one of these facilities that is funded by HUD, Permanent housing Funds which they are supposed to have some rights. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Ms. Barbara Quattron, 11007 Bandlon Dr., 77072, (281)787-8827 appeared and stated that last week their newspaper reported that their Council Member needed public input because he tagged the Improvement Bonds and so she is here to give her public input, District F is been known as the Forgotten District for a reason in 2000 the Alief Super Neighborhood ask the City to a expand the library that they already have, they continue to ask every year on the CIP for 11 years and in 2011 the Parker Administration agreed to build a Multi-Center Service Center which would put in expanded library however the funding was never provided and there was never a bond that was issued, this year Mayor Turner has agreed that they do need a Multi-Service Center and they finally have the opportunity to put Improvement Bonds on the ballet and this Bond would include the Multi-Service Center which that would include the expanded library, she urges them to approve this Bond issue and to put it on the ballet; if the work would actually start in 2018 it would not be finished until 2020 which that means 20 years since they first started asking and she does not have another 20 years to wait, her community has spoken and since her Council Member is not present would someone please give him the message. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Quattron.

Mr. William Beal, 10 Remington Ln., 77005, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Ms. Ashley Wilkerson, Post Office Box 558, 77001, (832)569-1995 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Mr. Ashton Wood, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that he was present representing Black Lives Matter of Houston and he wanted to speak about the events that happened this past weekend, he is not here to point fingers or to shift blame, they know where this came from and he thinks this is an opportunity for them to work together to remove the scourge of hate and the misrepresentation of people and what they can do about this and he proposed at some point to remove the Confederate Monuments which he thinks there is only 2, one in Hermann Park which is really small and the Spirit of the Confederacy and to change the names of the many streets of the Confederate Soldiers and Confederate Generals and he would like to develop a partnership with each other and to hear each other out and what he does know about Houston is when we come together, when he had protest and rallies, everyone had shown up, all the races, colors, gender identities which is proof that we are not like any other City, that we are not violent, we are not hatefully and we can do this together. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Ms. Synethia Hall, 1515 Sydnor St., 77020, (832)886-7771 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Ms. Sarahy Garcia, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that unfortunately she had to come back down here because they are seeing an increase in the terrorist by the White Supremacy and she is requesting an internal investigation on the Police and to use the Texas Rangers because they seem to be the most fair ever through they had history of discriminating against her people and she was at a Protest and she knows that the Mayor saw the video and there were Nazi there and this Police Officer protected the Nazi and when she tried to give evidence of the collusion and assaults that they committed inside the Airport, the Officer would not take a statement and what they did is they protected that Nazi and that Nazi went outside and then assaulted 2 other women with a knife and that Nazi never got handcuffs on him or any

charges and Mayor you watched the video and what have you done about it because they need to address this and the Mayor's silence is his violence and what happen in Charlottes is here in Houston, she warned them, she was not making it up, there is White Supremacy going on in this room because the last time she was here, she was verbally assaulted within ear shot of a lady present and she came up to her an snapped her fingers at her and telling her to get out, while she was being assaulted and she had the nerve to tell her that when she was getting assaulted by Council Members Knox's friends because he was with them. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Ms. Christina Gorczynski, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that she was speaking today to request that the City of Houston that is led by the Mayor and City Council to remove the Spirit of the Confederacy that is in Sam Houston Park, the Dick Dowling monument that is located in Hermann Park and other Confederate symbols that are located that are owned by the City of Houston and today she speaks on behalf of herself as a third generation Houstonian, a resident, a voter and a taxpayer of District H and a City that benefits from and celebrates the diversities. Council members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Mr. John Gorczynski, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that he had been following Christina his whole life and he had taken the afternoon off from work to share with them briefly why he supports removing the Spirit of the Confederacy that is on Public Property and he hopes that these monuments come down not to memorialize or attempt to make up for anyones death but instead they come down in a way that is so public and permanent that they inspire a new generation to achieve social, racial and economic justice. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner stated that he had requested that James Koski lead a team of his Executive Committee along with the Director of Parks and Recreation to take a look at all that they have inventory to make assessment to tell him what exists and to provide him with recommendations on what future steps they need to take because this a great City, a very diverse City and a very welcoming City and it is his hope to that they can in a positive and constructive way to move forward and not to try to glorify anything that has been in the past but to move forward.

Ms. Kyna Byrd, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Ms. Sarah Dyer, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Mr. Robert Icsezen, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that he lives in Council Member Travis District, he was born and raised in Houston and he is a lawyer, a proud father of 4 and he is here today to request that this Council take down from Sam Houston Park the monument called the Spirit of the Confederacy and the other monuments and he urges the Council to remove the Spirits of the Confederacy from the park. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Icsezen.

Mr. Matthew Derwinski, 1318 Bingham St., 77007, (832)247-8982 appeared and stated that he speaks for the Houston Chapter Democratic Socialist of America and as a Historian request for the immediately removal of the Spirit of the Confederacy that is in Sam Houston Park and since he was an Historian, he wanted to tell them about the choices Houston had made in the past and

ask them today to make the right choice. Council members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Derwinski and Mayor Turner stated that what he will say to him that some of us are living statues, that are walking and breathing, living on the foundation of those who have made those sacrifices and he appreciates everything that he had said but because of them what people can now see living and living examples, walking monuments whether they are in Third Ward, Freedmens Town, or in Fifth Ward or in Acres Home, all across this City, they are living examples and right here in the City of Houston with everything he had said, there is diversity around this table and he does think it is appropriate for them to do an inventory of their assists and to make careful and very methodical decision on what's the proper context for any of these past monument that put in place in 1905, 1908 but he does not want them to lose sight and when he looks around this horseshoe that they are the walking and breathing examples of what people were able to overcome.

Mr. Andrew Cobb, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that he was largely here to speak out and trust the voices of people of color, there was a vigil this weekend on the steps out here a very power call of action to remove the statue and with this weekend events, we need to do better. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Ms. Aracely Garcia, 80 Lyerly, 77022, (713)992-6670 appeared and stated that she was here representing herself, she been living in Houston her entire life, her parents crossed from Mexico almost 30 years ago and she was lucky that her parent's chose Houston for her to be born and raised and she was present to request to take action and remove the monument, when she learned that there was a Confederate Monument that was being maintained by the City she was not surprised but she was ashamed and was embarrassed and she urges them to do the right thing and be on the right side of history. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Ms. Lola Arthur, 5 Glenfield Court, 77074, (832)897-2950 appeared and stated that everyone has already covered what she wanted to say and so she wants to get a straight answer to her questions; do they have any Law or Ordinance in place that prevents Nazi propaganda from being displayed publicly in Houston, is there anything that if she was walking down the street and she sees a group of people with a swastika or a flag, could she call the Police? Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner stated that is a very dicey question because people do have the right of Freedom of Speech, Freedom of Expression.

Ms. Arthur stated that she would like to see a Law or a City Ordinance or something in place that prevents the public display of Nazi propaganda.

Mayor Turner stated that she was running on a Constitution issue, even though the symbols are highly distasteful and hateful but people do have the right to express their Freedom of Speech. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Ms. Arveyiel Fortilla, 1110 Sydnor, 77020, no phone, appeared and stated that she was a resident of Kelly Village in the 5th Ward area and she has been a resident for 3 years now, her 5 year old son and herself have needs that are being over looked by the management of this facility and she had requested emergency transfer on the grounds that the apartment is overrun with mold and mice so much so that she can smell it in her clothes and she had to purchase an air purifier in order to try to fix the issue herself, she been harassed and discriminated against and suffered

retaliation by the management team, after reporting Kelly Village to the City and to other entities for health code violation, she been given the run around and not been taken seriously. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner requested for Ms. Fortilla to speak with Rhonda that is with the Mayor's Citizen Assistant Department to see if she can assist her.

Ms. Theresa Glover, no address, (832)944-1394 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Ms. Alma Cooper, 5508 Hialeah Dr., 77092, (713)478-6657 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

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

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. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Mr. Marion Scott, 1600 Louisiana St., 77002, (713)783-9292 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Ms. Deborah Elaine Allen, Post Office Box 263252, 77027, (713)264-0127 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Mr. Carlos Calbillo, 407 Cordell, 77009, (832)758-8640 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Ms. Melanie Pang, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that she was present to request removing blight in her neighborhood, specifically the Dick Dowling statue and the Spirit of the Confederacy and she looks forward to seeing where they stand. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Mr. Brad Pritchett, 1044 Alexander St., 77008, (713)898-9731 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Travis, Green and Knox absent.

Ms. Monica Roberts, 5155 Balkin St., 77021, (346)310-0824 appeared and stated that one of the things that she wanted to bring up in this discussion about the removing the Spirit of the Confederacy Statue which is the context of the Confederate itself. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Travis, Laster and Green absent.

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

At 5:07 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 16, 2017, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Travis, Laster and Green absent.

At 8:40 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 16, 2017 Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Larry Green, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Ronald Lewis, City Attorney, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director with the Agenda Office present. Council Member Steve Le out of the City on personal business.

At 9:05 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and started with the Mayor's Report. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos and Green absent.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Turner stated that there is going to be Press Conference at 12:30 p.m. in the Legacy Room and this is being sponsored by the Coalition for Mutual Respect and it being sponsored by many Faith based Leaders and he wanted to extend an invitation to everyone.

Mayor Turner stated that the Legislature Special Session ended yesterday and today, the Bathroom Bill and others did not get through in this Special Session and if they are interested in the rolling back taxes on cities and counties that measure did not pass and the only Governmental entity that's held to a revenue cap of population plus inflation of 4.5 cent happen to be the City of Houston.

Mayor Turner further stated that he was announcing a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Houston and Texas Central Rail Holdings, the investor led developers of the Texas Bullet Train and the MOU will be signed at a press conference Thursday, at 10:00am, in the Legacy Room here at City Hall and all are invited to join and this MOU is a starting point to begin the process of ironing out Definitive Agreements with Texas Central as they work to build the first high-speed train system in the United States, between Houston and Dallas and the Definitive Agreements once negotiated, will be brought back to Council committees for Council input and review, and will then be voted on by City Council before taking effect, the MOU provides a plan for City Departments and staff to begin work on these future agreements in preparation of City Council's review, input and approval and this project will be a catalyst for economic development in Houston and added tax revenue for the city and the Definitive Agreements, that council will vote on, will include, Right-of-way issues along Hempstead Road, including utility relocations plans, and maintenance and operation agreements for Hempstead Road and Intermodal Connectivity to the Terminal Station in coordination with the City of Houston, METRO, TXDOT, Gulf Coast Rail District and others and transportation planning for the area around the station, Supportive Service Facilities for the Bullet Train that include the passenger station, maintenance facility and other supportive services, MWSBE participation, job creation commitments and training, Community outreach plans for areas near the rail line and passenger station and the Definitive Agreements will govern the planning, design, construction and the location of the project within the City of Houston and there is a lot of work ahead of Texas Central and the City, and we are all working well together to make the most of this important opportunity and if things remain on this course, construction can being by the end of 2018 and could be completed by 2023.

Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 29

ACCEPT WORK - NUMBERS 1 through 3

1. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of \$1,337,163.45 and acceptance of work on contract with **MILLIS DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Hermann Park Japanese Garden - 5.0% over the original contract amount and within the 5.0% contingency - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **MOTION 2017-0520 ADOPTED**
2. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of \$4,361,132.43 and acceptance of work on contract with **PRIME CONTRACTORS, INC** for Fifth Ward Deluxe Theatre Renovation - 9.99% over the original contract amount and under the 10% contingency - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **MOTION 2017-0521 ADOPTED**
3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Acting Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$1,723,939.54 and acceptance of work on contract with **BRH-GARVER CONSTRUCTION, L.P.**, for the Chasewood Lift Station Replacement and Willowchase Lift Station Diversion - 1.42% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG and K – GREEN-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **MOTION 2017-0522 ADOPTED**

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBER 4

4. **AMEND MOTION #2014-832, 9/3/2014, TO INCREASE** spending authority from \$800,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00 for Dental Equipment and Supplies for the Houston Health Department, awarded to **PATTERSON DENTAL SUPPLY, INC** - \$200,000.00 - Essential Public Health Services Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **MOTION 2017-0523 ADOPTED**

RESOLUTIONS – NUMBER 6

6. **RESOLUTION** authorizing a grant application to the Office of the Governor of Texas for the Juvenile Case Manager Program Truancy Prevention Initiative (“Grant”) by the City of Houston Municipal Courts Department; declaring the City’s eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Director of the Municipal Courts Department to act as the City’s representative in the application process, with the authority to accept the grant and expend the grant funds,

as awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the grant- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **RESOLUTION 2017-0029 ADOPTED**

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 14 through 29

14. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Financing Agreement between the City of Houston and the **TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0617 ADOPTED**

15. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 109.3774 acres of land to **FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 130**, for inclusion in its district- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0618 ADOPTED**

16. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 35.47 acres of land to **FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 142**, for inclusion in its district- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0619 ADOPTED**

17. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 27.377 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 304**, for inclusion in its district- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0620 ADOPTED**

19. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$14,000,560.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation to Construction Manager At Risk Contract between the City of Houston and **MORGANTI TEXAS, INC** for new Public Works and Engineering Northeast Quadrant Building (Approved by Ordinance No. 2016-0961); providing funding for the Civic Art Program financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; providing funding for salary recovery financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT J – LASTER**- the City Secretary advised that Item 19 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.

20. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,892,492.59 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund to an Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Houston and the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for the Relocation of Sanitary Sewer Lines and Water Lines in connection with the Gellhorn Paving and Drainage Project at Gellhorn Drive from IH-610 to Wallisville Road (Approved by Ordinance No. 2011-0156); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0621 ADOPTED**

21. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,000,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **BROWN & GAY ENGINEERS, INC** for Design of Improvements for the Infrastructure of Drinking Water Groundwater Facilities; providing

funding for construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0622 ADOPTED**

- 23. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,000,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **CP&Y, INC** for the Drinking Water Treatment Plants; providing funding for construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0623 ADOPTED**
- 25. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$3,965,100.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **D.L. ELLIOTT ENTERPRISES, INC** for Water Line Replacement in Inwood Forest-1 Area; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering, testing, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG and C – COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0624 ADOPTED**
- 26. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$8,972,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **BRH-GARVER CONSTRUCTION, L.P.** for North Corridor Consolidation Package 1A; Trunk Sewer from Aldine-Westfield at Rankin Road to HCFCD P155-00-00 (54" Dia); 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 testing services, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0625 ADOPTED**
- 27. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$4,068,500.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **PELTIER BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION, LTD.** by: **PB, LLC** its general partner for Lift Station Renewal & Replacement for Greens Crossing No. 3, Parker Street, and Fir Ridge Lift Stations; 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 testing services, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; C - COHEN and E – MARTIN-** the City Secretary advised that Item 27 have not been received and if received during the meeting, it will be considered at the end of the Agenda.
- 28. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$2,317,200.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **RELIANCE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, L.P.** for Sewer Service to Unserved Areas of Golden Glade Estates Subdivision - Package 2; 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 testing services, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies

relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0626 ADOPTED**

29. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$3,976,400.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **SCOHIL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, LLC** for Water Line Replacement in Woodway Area; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for testing services, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT G – TRAVIS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0267 ADOPTED**

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

5. **RESOLUTION** supporting the candidacy of Council Member Larry V. Green for the position of President-Elect of the Texas Municipal League- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2017-0030**
7. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing submission of an electronic application for grant assistance to the **FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**, for the FY2016 Fire Prevention and Safety Grant Program; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Chief of the Houston Fire Department to act as the City's representative in the application process, to accept such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the program- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0628 ADOPTED**
8. **ORDINANCE** changing the boundaries of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SEVENTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MEMORIAL CITY ZONE)**; removing certain property from the Memorial City Zone and adding certain property to the Memorial City Zone - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG and G – TRAVIS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0629 ADOPTED**
9. **ORDINANCE** approving the third amended Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SEVENTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MEMORIAL CITY ZONE) - DISTRICTS A - STARDIG and G - TRAVIS** **This item should only be considered after passage of Item 8 above-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0630 ADOPTED**
10. **ORDINANCE** accepting into the City Art Collection "Central Market-Houston", a work of art by Brendan O'Connell to be placed at William P. Hobby Airport and approving and authorizing agreement between the City of Houston and H-E-B Grocery Company, LP for donation of

such work of art - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, Council Members Gallegos and Green voting no, balance voting aye. Council Member Edwards absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0631 ADOPTED**

11. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **J.D. POWER** for Passenger and Parker Research and Analytical Services for the Houston Airport System; providing a maximum contract amount - \$1,500,000.00 - Enterprise Fund - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; E - MARTIN and I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0632 ADOPTED**
12. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing agreement between the City of Houston and **ZIPCAR, INC** for Automated Car Sharing Program for the Fleet Management Department; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$593,539.00 - Fleet Management Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0633 ADOPTED**
13. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2012-0702 to increase the maximum contract amount and to extend the contract term for contract design and implementation of Smartphone Applications for City's 3-1-1 Helpline between the City of Houston and **SECLICKFIX, INC** - \$195,000.00 - Central Services Revolving Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0634 ADOPTED**
18. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$494,113.00 out of General Improvement Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation to Construction Manager At Risk Contract between the City of Houston and **SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC BUILDINGS AMERICAS, INC** for City Hall and City Hall Annex Electrical Switchgear Systems (Approved by Ordinance No. 2016-0783) - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0635 ADOPTED**
22. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$991,800.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **COBB, FENDLEY & ASSOCIATES, INC** for Southland Area Drainage and Paving Improvements Subproject 1; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and storm Drainage DDSRF - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0636 ADOPTED**
24. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$360,000.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **RODS SUBSURFACE UTILITY ENGINEERING, INC** for Private Subsurface Utility Engineering and Coordination; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by Metro Projects Construction DDSRF- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0637 ADOPTED**

MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 30 through 32 +6

- 30. RECOMMENDATION** from Chief Procurement Officer to award to **TOTER INCORPORATED** for Recycling and Refuse Carts through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the City of Tucson, Arizona for the Solid Waste Management Department - \$897,700.00 - General Fund
TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS KUBOSH, GALLEGOS and LASTER
This was Item 12 on Agenda of August 9, 2017- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2017-0524 ADOPTED**
- 31. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **SEARCH HOMELESS SERVICES** to provide up to an additional \$133,883.00 in General Funds to assist in the continuing administration and operation of a Care Hub and Outreach Services Program - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STARDIG**
This was Item 13 on Agenda of August 9, 2017- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0638 ADOPTED**
- 32. ORDINANCE** ordering an election to be held jointly on November 7, 2017, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Houston, Texas, certain propositions for the issuance of public improvement bonds for various purposes; designating the location of each polling place and the hours that the polls shall be open
TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS LE, KUBOSH and TRAVIS
This was Item 16 on Agenda of August 9, 2017- was presented, Council Members Travis and Kubosh voting no, balance voting aye. **ORDINANCE 2017-0639 ADOPTED**

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 10:47 a.m. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Edwards absent. **DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY**

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED

Anna Russell, City Secretary

