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 convened at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 30, 2018 Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Marta Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; and Ronald C. Lewis, City Attorney; Marta Crinejo Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present.

At 9:06 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting into order and Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Christie for the Invocation and the Pledge and Council Member Christie invited Father Dolce to offer the Invocation and Council Member Christie led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Members Stardig and Le absent.

At 9:10 a.m. The Roll was Called. Council Members Stardig and Le absent.

Council Member Cohen moved to adopt the minutes of March 6-7, 2018 and delay the balance and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig and Le absent. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Council Members Boykins and Martin recognized Father T.J. Dolce for being great at basketball and how he has influenced young kids and teenagers.

At 9:14 a.m. Mayor Turner moved to the Monthly Financial Report.

**REPORT FROM CITY CONTROLLER AND THE CITY ADMINISTRATION REGARDING THE CURRENT FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE CITY** including but not limited to, a revenue, expenditure and encumbrance report for the General Fund, all special revenue funds and all enterprise funds, and a report on the status of bond funds- was presented, Chris Brown, City Controller and Tantri Emo, Director of Finance Department reviewed the Monthly Operation and Financial report; copies of which are on file in the City Secretary’s office for review.

Members of Council questioned Chris Brown and Tantri Emo at length and Mayor Turner stated he had a news flash as long as they are under the Revenue Cap, every single year, they will come in under and next year they will face a financial deficit and the year after that you will be facing a financial deficit, so news flash, as long as they remain under the Revenue Cap every single year they will come under and they will be relying on the Fund Balance or One Time Sources to balance the Budget, he wanted to be very, very clear, unless they make drastic cuts with Police and Fire, this is not surprising and he even said it when he introduce this Budget and he knew and again they have to rely on the Fund Balance and by the way it is at 8.3% which it is $16 million above the 7.5% because of the population reduction, this is nothing new, nothing surprising and he wanted to put it all out there and the only way they are going to balance it while you are on under the Revenue Cap is that they are going to have to make dramatic reductions in Police and Fire and he will entertain any Amendment at the time when they get to the Budget but let’s not be rhetorical if they are not willing to make the tough decisions and this is the price that they pay when they are under a Cap and they are needing to add 600 additional Police Officers and more.

Members of Council continued to offer questions.
Council Member Christie moved to accept the monthly financial report and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent. MOTION 2018-0272 ADOPTED

At 9:48 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

Alkebu Motapa, 5022 Cosby, 77021, (713)741-5150 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Laster and Kubosh absent.

Marc Sweeny, 15011 Blueridge, Missouri City, TX, 77489, (832)388-9614 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Laster and Kubosh absent.

Tressla King, 3100 Gillestie St., 77020, (832)338-2890 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Laster and Kubosh absent.

Erica Hubbard, no address, (832)704-6697 appeared and presented information and stated that she is a resident of 5th Ward, she is very active in the community and she is here to discuss the St. Elizabeth Housing Project and she is requesting for Council to withdraw their support for the St. Elizabeth Place Low Income Credit Application and she is bringing this to their attention because she going back to January 2017 when HUD issued a scathing report to the City basically stating that the City was disproportionately placing the low income and then in March Mayor Turner issued a statement and stated that he would come up with a more equitable ways to disburse low incoming housing but 2 weeks prior to that there was a Low Income Housing Resolution sent through the City quietly and not letting the community know about it and now they are faced with this Low Incoming Housing Project that is coming to 5th Ward, they are having a lot of blatant, crime and this particular Housing Location is designated to be near Wheatley High School and the High School has been on the chopping board for many years because of low performance and with all of that said why is it likely and how does it make sense to put a Low Income Housing Project in a place with dismal statistics and on top of that they have to do their own research because the individuals for this did not let the community know and now it is going to be a Veterans Location and Veterans need rehabilitative services, urgent care, they need jobs and they needs services that they do not have and this location is a block away from multiple pill mills, rampant prostitution and there is a lot of issues around this area and the handout that she presented the images that showed what is going on in the area and around other Cloudbreak Development that is what the 5th Ward is going to absorb and she request for them to withdraw their support. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin and Laster absent.

Council Member Davis stated he has a couple statements to make to Ms. Hubbard and asked about the images on the handout and stated that this is what is going to happen to 5th Ward and she told him possibly and he said possibly but not directly and Ms. Hubbard advised she was on the committee initially when the 5th Ward was going over the St. Elizabeth Project and they did not tell her it was about Veterans and the Committee started sometime last year and does not know exactly when, Council Member Davis further stated that he wanted to make that clear and he has an issue when people come to this Council and stated to them that they do not want people like that in their neighborhood which he gets offended when non minorities say it and now he just equally offended when he is seeing minorities say it because they are going to push hard and build 5th Ward in District B because it is low income but they cannot and as long as he is Council Member, they will not allow low income housing in parts of District B because it also called workforce housing because the people in the 5th Ward area that choose to stay in the area have
a place to live and he understand what she is trying to convey but he does not really agree with it and it is not all low incoming housing there is 25% if he is not mistaken but there is 25% of Market rate and that Ms. Kathy Patyon is on the speakers list and he will let her clarify.

Mayor Turner ask where she lived as he did not see an address on the Speaker List and simply say in this area as well there are developments that are being built in that area where the price range will be in the area from $250,000.00 to $350,000.00 in this same area and if they are not careful in this area just like in what happen in the 4th Ward, Freemen Towns which is in large part of Midtown would be gentrified and so they need Affordable Housing everywhere and Affordable Workforce Housing and they have had people from last week asking for Affordable Housing and Affordable Workforce Housing in 5th Ward and other communities throughout the entire City of Houston and advised he wanted to go on the record since she came and he does appreciate her for coming in expressing her view as but as long as he is Mayor they will not exclude areas that have been underserved and under resourced for decades for receiving Affordable Housings and Work Force Housing but there are additional things that they need to do but as it relates to Veterans, he is very proud of every single Veteran, they deserve Housing just like anyone else and again he appreciates her comments, expressing her views and they are not going to agree and he is in strong support of this Project and he is hoping that it moves forward.

Mayor Turner stated to the audience if they are making comments and their volume is going to go up then they need to go outside but during this Public Session they are going to be respectful toward one another.

Nia Colbert, 1000 Greens Rd., 77060, (346)252-9541 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin and Laster absent.

Selena Samuel, 4511 Hershe, 77020, (713)675-6041 appeared and stated that she was going to follow up for what Ms. Hubbard was talking about and she had written down what she wanted to say and after she heard everything and the Council Members comments and their concerns and their hopes for 5th Ward and she does not believe that this is not the proper thing to do, she was born and raised in the 5th Ward and moved out when she was about 15 and came back about 22 years ago, the problems out there they do not even know, unless they live there, who lives there, anyone on this panel and a new developer did come out there and cleaned up the area but there are still drug dealers out there and prostitution is still going on out there and you say we need to add to it, 5th Ward is not a dumping ground, it’s not a dump site, however she had cleaned out a lot of dumps and cleaned up a lot of trash, she has spoken to a lot of prostitutes and crack heads she even helped some recover, she loves 5th Ward and she loves what it stands for, she remembers 70 years ago and that is all they had, they could not go anywhere else, she is upset on what she had heard here and she going to stand up for 5th Ward. Council Members Cohen, Martin, Laster and Gallegos absent.

Mayor Turner stated that no one is speaking against 5th Ward, they are working very hard to improve 5th Ward no one said for 5th Ward to be a dumping ground and he does not disagree with anything she just said, he still lives in Acres Home and they do not want 5th Ward to be any less than it should be or can be and they are doing everything they can to build that community up and they want to do even more, we do need more single family homes and it would just time to work on it, there needs more single family homes in 5th Ward and he had spoken with their Council Member and that they even talked about it last night.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Samuel and Council Member Davis stated that he does concur, and he been making strides in working with the Mayor, the Director and they have had
more headway going on in the last 2 years than the 4 years past and they are putting in a half of a million dollars’ worth of infrastructure over in 5th Ward.

Andre Beraud, 7006 Dewberry Shores Ln., Humble, TX, 77396, (832)524-4526 appeared and stated that he grew up in 5th Ward and then moved to Alief, he is working in the oil and gas field and he also an investor, a realtor estate and he does a lot of volunteer work with the 5th Ward Original Program and he is here to oppose with the Item but he does agree that something needs to be there and they can build something else that can be a value to the community and with his knowledge and the people that he works with and the agents and bringing in people to view the community, they always ask him what is the purpose for the hospital, they just bought land on Lyons Avenue and he thinks that people are coming back into the community and people do want to be involved but it is tough as an individual to be born and raised in 5th Ward and have a one year old knowing that he cannot come and live in 5th Ward with his son because of the infrastructure because he wants his son to have the best and that why he is here to help and do his part like everyone else is doing and he just thinks if they can all come together and create another idea on what to do with that property, he loves where they are heading, people of all Nationalities coming over, buying and being excited about the 5th Ward Community and he wants to see this process and work on other ways that they can do at that property. Council Members Martin and Laster absent.

Mayor Turner and Council Member Davis questioned Mr. Beraud.

Sandra Flowers, 4712 Coke St., 77020, (281)889-3236 appeared and stated that she has 3 sets of pictures for one to go to the Mayor, one to Council Member Davis and who else that is interested in the 5th Ward and Pinecrest area and Council Member Davis and his Staff have been trying to help them but it just not happening, so she is going to start saying this first, she was born at St. Elizabeth but here is the deal, she is in the middle of the road right now, the fact that they are talking about different price rating and different incomes but what has been historically happening in these kinds of areas, communities is that very few people move into these places with lower income, it’s based on who is running it, who is handling the businesses and what is in the RCA which is not transparent and she goes and does research and other people may not do that, thus Council Member Davis leaves her out of the loop, she is not to be invited, the people do not know what is going on but when they complain and say something, he shuts them down, so this is what she wants to do quickly, she is not for or against it because the CRC for not handling the money right, moneys have come up missing and in Housing is where it seems that money is coming up missing and no one says anything, no one questions that or request a Texas Open Act and her big point is where is the money, CRC is about the money, Council Member Davis is about the money, Mayor are you about the money and money is not being spent properly, in her community which they can see in the pictures showing what is going on in her neighborhood and they have begged, pleaded and nothing but when a little girl sent Mayor Turner a letter about her sidewalk and that she cannot ride on her sidewalk, you go out there and talk to her and even get ice cream with her, such a Rockefeller moment but when they call and write about the sidewalks and disabled and not able to use the sidewalks, they do not get the Rockerefeller moment, when are they going to get it. Council Members Martin, Laster and Knox absent.

Kathy Payton, 4300 Lyons Ave., 77020, (713)674-0175 appeared and stated that she is excited today because she has not seen this much emotion about 5th Ward in a long time, it is good see and feel the passion but she too concurs with what the residents have said about their community and the great needs but she wants to further clarify some of the things that have been said and the true definition about this project that has been underwritten by both the City of Houston Housing Community Department as long as TDHCA, the Mayor is correct when he stating that
this is a mixed income development that will speak to 30 to 60 and Market Rate Housing, it is intend 110 Units that will serve the community and it is indeed a combination efficiencies of one or two bedrooms and what is not accurate that the target audience is for Veterans and the Partner Developer in this Tim Cantwell who has several projects throughout the Country which so happens to be a Veteran Project and today she brought with her a couple of Pastors, Community Leaders and Developers who all agree and continue to support including their Council Member who continues to support the development and she wants to make sure that they understand that this is part of their response to the threat of gentrification in 5th Ward and mixed income projects like this which will respond to that as the Lyons Avenue Renaissance which many of the Council Members are aware of that will create housing, commercial development, retail development for 2200 Block of Lyons Avenue and when they drive down Lyons Avenue it is a new place, when they come into the community it is a new place it is not a community that is no longer plagued with all that blight but they do have more that has to be done but as they move forward with a number of partners, a number of developers, opportunities that will help create a better place to live, work and play. Council Member Travis absent.

Council Member Davis stated that he was waiting to see how many speakers were going to be above Ms. Payton so that they can get all of that information out on the table and he really wants to thank her and he also wanted to request for the people in the audience that were in support which he sees Pastor Turner, some Civic Club Members and requested for them to stand to be recognized, Precinct Chairs, Midway, he thank them so much and he understands that they are a glimpse of a certain group in every District and in every neighborhood that they are going to have some pros and cons but 5th Ward CRC which she did state that they may not get it 100% right she might get 97% right and those are pros, she just showed everyone that you need at least $46,000.00 a year in a household for a $150,000.00 which he trying not to say anything negative against a young man that came to speak because he wants him to do what he is doing, the houses are $280,000.00 and do the math, they need apartments for a next level for people that work as a waiter or waitress or whatever, making their way through college, they do not need to eliminate the growth and potential that live and reside in District B right now and if they have housing like this and opportunities like this, there is not creation, it just happens naturally.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Payton.

Annie Williams, 4014 RV Mayfield Dr., 77088, (281)669-6050 appeared and stated that the first thing she wanted to mention was after she gets finished speaking that no one has to ask her any questions because she wants to be fair to the other speakers and she just wants to know what they plan to do because in 2011 and 2012, her family had to leave for 11 months as her family in the City of Houston was without any running water it start out the same way on this is starting off now again and none of her representatives would help her, she even tried to get Mayor Turner to help because he was her State Representative and she always saw him driving down the street passing her up to see his friend and when he did stop, he told her that she needed to call his Office because he did not have time and the why she was treated by him and that is why she is speaking out today and the only time she got help was when she contacted the Houston Chronicle and as soon as it got into the Chronicle and then the news media wanted to come in and it was all over the news and again it started like this in the past and she does not know what to do because she does not know what is wrong the Department and why they keep picking on her because she pays her bills every month on time and she is sick and should not have to come down here and she has everyone of those bills at her house to prove everything she is saying and she has called Council Member Stardig Office because that is her Council Member. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Travis absent.
Council Member Stardig stated to Ms. Williams that she did not share with the Mayor the information about her water bill and her Staff did assist her and requested she get with Gary Norman that is with Houston Public Works to get involved to help.

R.J. Bobby Taylor, Post Office Box 202021, 77220, (832)870-7673 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Travis absent.

Winifred Hamilton, 1 Baylor Plaza, #001DV, 77030, (713)798-1052 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Travis absent.

Shontrell Beecher, 12660 Stafford Rd., No. 1115, Stafford, TX, 77477, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Travis absent.

John Beecher, 12660 Stafford Rd., No. 1115, Stafford, TX, 77477, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Travis absent.

Raj Mankad, 819 Highland St., 77009, (832)641-0703 appeared and presented information and stated on November 8, 2017 Polly Koch was struck by a vehicle while crossing the street with her 2 dogs and she and one of the dogs were killed in daylight, she was at the cross walk at the signal on Richmond and Mandill, he worked with Polly for 15 years, she was a free lance Editor, they may have not known her before but you have read something that she has written, she did not get rich as being a free lance editor she lived in a small apartment for many years and it has been 6 months since her death and he does not want the City to forget about her and he does not want this to happen to anyone else and a few of her colleagues are present, they are asking for streets that are safe for all people, they have good laws on the books already and one example is that vehicles stop for pedestrians in the crosswalk and requesting that the City enforces the laws and for example can they instruct Police to make safe crossing a priority or at least issue tickets, they already have a Plan for Houston Safe Place and Polly is one of many that are gone and he tries to be an optimistic person but a part of him is losing hope for this City if the streets are not safe which is just a basic problem so how can they invest when there is a safety crisis and thanks to Mayor Turner for expand the Houston Bike Plan. Council Members Davis, Travis, Gallegos and Edwards absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Mankad.

Oni Blair, no address, (832)581-5723 appeared and presented information and stated that she is the Executive Director of Link Houston and Link Houston is an Organization that advocates for a robust and equitable transportation network so all people can reach opportunity and on May 1st she stood here with other advocates to urge and to act to make the streets safe for pedestrians and bicyclists, they spoke after 4 people were killed on bicycles in April and in a 2 year period crashes killed 160 pedestrians and 14 bicyclists across Houston and this is unacceptable, drawing on data from the Texas Department of Transportation and LINK Houston developed a heat map of the crash locations where pedestrians and bicycling serious injuries and fatalities occurred and the map shows hot spots all over Houston and the most deaths occurred in Districts H, B and D and on May 1st she asked them to prioritize street safety and specifically to enforce the Vulnerable Road Users Ordinance, implement design plans to address dangerous intersections, funding Plan Houston in the FY 19 Budget and to continue with the Bike Plan and Mayor Turner, your State of Mobility remarks on May 24th demonstrated what they need most right now leadership and they
agree that they need enforcement of Ordinances and behavior change and LINK Houston is going to be working with Bike Houston to identify the dangerous intersections and they hear Council regarding funding and she is here today to reiterate these requests, underscore the importance for public safety and urge City Council to support the Mayor in making measurable progress as soon as possible and underscore that this public safety issue is a matter of life and death that affects the entire City and she is joined today with friends of Polly Koch and they are here to share their stories. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Edwards and Christie absent.

Elizabeth Gregory, 2235 McClendon, 77030, (713)256-8310 appeared and stated that she is here as a grieving friend of a wonderful Houstonian name Polly Koch, she was killed while walking her two dogs and she was crossing in broad daylight, she did not have an ID with her and because of that it took several days for her to be identified her friends did not know where she was, she touched many lives across Houston and it is sad that she lost a friend and they do know that the Mayor is trying to address their issues and this is a National issue and there are effects Nationally to intervene directly but a couple of points because they could not prove that the driver was on the phone, they decided that there is no fault, it was just an accident and because she had no living parents or children, her sisters and her friends were told no one had the standing to sue in Civil Court the killer did not get any penalties and she support May or Turner efforts in making these streets safer and she supports the Zero Vision Model that many of the Council Members know of which many Cities are adopting this plan and there are simple ways that they can intervene, some of these solutions are expensive and some are not, a share a right campaign which that does not cost a lot and things need to change. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis and Kubosh absent.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Gregory

Keith Henry, 15335 East Fondren Circle, 77071, (346)260-3510 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis and Kubosh absent.

Cynthia Greenwood, 1113 Willard St., 77006, (713)557-9792 appeared and presented information and stated that she is speaking on behalf of citizens of the Hyde Park Neighborhood in Historic Montrose, she wants to protest the May 24th vote but the City Planning Commission, during the meeting the Commission voted to reject an application for the Special Minimum Lot for 1400 Indiana by a vote of 4 to 8, the Planning Department recommended the application be approve because it was supported by 75% of the street residents and met all the requirements that was set forth by Chapter 42 Ordinance, this vote to reject an application that exceed the 51% of residential support and on the coversheet that they provided to Council Members on top of the actual Agenda Item that the Planning Commission Considered and to please considered the serious concerns that was presented by Commissioners Sonny Garza and after the vote he remarked normally this application with this high of percentage of supports slides throughout, it should have and filing her example on her coversheet from the Public Hearing which may have some confusion among the Commissioners during this Public Hearing. Council Members Davis, Martin and Travis absent.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Greenwood.

Delia Cuellar, no address, (832)549-4254 appeared and stated that she is here to speak on the actions on the Planning Commission and their failure to follow Chapter 42 rules regarding Minimum Lots Size Applications, she has worked on 2 applications with the Planning Department recommended to be approved by the Planning Commission and both times the Commission denied the application even though all the requirements were met, something is seriously wrong,
the first application was for the Northside near Montrose it was submitted in December 2016 and all requirements were met by Chapter 42 more than 50% of the homeowners supported it, the Planning Department vetted it to the Planning Commission on the recommendation to approve it, it was denied and it appears that the MLS Application was submitted on the same day for the builders which was an application to replat on lot in the block , the Commission decided that the builders request took precedent over the wishes of the residents, this was wrong for the homeowners that live on the street while the builders construct, build and then leave this application should have never been denied and the next example is what Ms. Greenwood explained on having 75% support from the homeowners and again it was denied, the Commercial Property at the end of the street filed a protest, she wondered who is keeping score here, does anyone know how many applications are submitted and turned down that they do not know about and she thinks there needs to be more oversight of the Planning Commission and the protester in the last example stated that the neighborhood had no character to protect on this block and these are 6200 square foot lots that were platted in 1920 and they are unique in Montrose and if that not character than what is, how do they define character and it is time to step up and find out why applications are being denied. Mayor Turner, Council Members Davis, Martin, Travis and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Cuellar.

Ryan King, no address, (832)549-4254 appeared and stated that he was here to get information on the Second Chance Program, he just need to know more about the Second Chance Program. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Travis and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Council Member Boykins advised Mr. King that the Job Fair will be coming up at the end of July or August for the Second Chance Program, they will be posting that really soon.

Malik McIntosh, no address, (832)585-6205 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Travis and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Thelma Scott, no address, (832)585-6205 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Travis and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Stacy Babineaux-Daigle, 8622 Fannette St., 77029, (832)921-2195 appeared and stated that this is her second time visiting in regards to her organization called Formula 4 Faith, Faith is an acronym for Finding An Issue To Help and that is not just an issue to help and that is not just an issue compared to their constituents but as well as their own agenda, she is from Louisiana and she has sat here for 2 hours listening to concerns from the constituents and she did not expect to hear this but it is relevant where she comes from, she has worked for her City Administration for 12 years, she served as the Assistant Planning and Zoning and as she travels because she still commutes because she works as an Imagine Consult and she goes through and passes the Downtown area and she does look left and right, she knows that she is supposed to look straight but she can help but notice where enhancements can be done and her purpose to being here to introduce a man that she assisted at the Imagine Company and the formula for Faith Organization that she is wanting to submit not as a solution but just as an idea to help Council and the reason for helping this young man out is to give him hope. Mayor Turner, Council Member Davis absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Babineaux-Daigle.
Edith Diaz, 2423 Moreau St., 77093, (832)921-2195 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner and Council Member Davis absent. Mayor pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Charlie Jones, 13929 Jiram Clarke, 77045, (832)474-1178 appeared and stated that he reported that his Maza Tribute that he had since Council Member Kubosh was doing the red light cameras and he was on TV with his Tribute back at that time and he is here today because of HPD, he called and actually went down there and got an incident number in reporting his vehicle stolen and all he has gotten is the run around and continued even until this morning, this happened in District K and spoken to them, he has spoken to Council Member Kubosh and several people that are here today and they keep telling him that May Walker has his Tribute and he called them and advised him that they do not have his vehicle, all he is trying to do is to report it stolen, he has even called the Chief on his cell phone and left many messages and he is going to keep calling until someone pays attention to him, he did not want to leave Council Member Knox out because he offered to help him with something over at the County and the City and the County are really intertwined together and all he is trying to do is to find his vehicle. Council Member Davis absent.

Mayor Turner advised to Mr. Jones to work together in trying to locate his vehicle.

Rosa Valley, 3803 Lavender, 77026, (713)448-0074 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Member Davis absent.

Margaret Torres, 5617 North Frwy., Apt. 302, 77076, (346)801-7789 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Member Davis absent.

Deborah Wilkerson, No Address, (713)499-9671 appeared and stated that her subject is her inalienable rights and is being stalked and she has had enough. Council Member Davis absent.

Johnny Taylor, 3262 Westheimer Rd., Suite 341, 77098, (832)756-4607 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Member Davis absent.

Mr. Sean Krieger, 2203 Tierwester St., 77004, (979)220-9634 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Member Davis absent.

Mr. Robert Campbell, 5022 Kelso St., 77021, (713)737-5326 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Member Davis absent.

At 11:43 a.m. The City Secretary advised that the Public Session was completed.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Cohen for a Procedural Motion; Council Member Cohen moved to suspend the rules to consider Items 33,34 and 35 out of order after the Mayor’s Report and seconded by Council Member Robinson, Council Members Stardig, Travis, Knox and Kubosh voting no, balance voting aye. Council Members Davis and Laster absent. MOTION 2018-0273 ADOPTED

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Turner stated that the Rockets gave us an exciting season and he certainly wants to thank then and a rallying cry for Houston as we bounce back from Hurricane Harvey and he is sure that the team and their fans are disappointed in the outcome but it was an outstanding season from the Houston Rockets in making it to the 7th Game of this series, the team has a strong future and we all look forward to next year.
Mayor Turner also stated the official Hurricane Season starts on Friday and Harvey taught Houston to pay attention in trusted sources and safety warnings and it show how strong we can be for each other and taught us how to be better prepared for another storm and the City of Houston has taken better steps but every storm is different and he hopes to see people this Saturday at the Annual Extreme Weather Ready Expo at the George R. Brown Conversations Center.

Mayor Turner further stated they learned over the long weekend about the death Will Scaragin, the Web Master for the City Planning and Development Department and he was one of those employees that was willing to do everything it took to get the job done, he was passion about the City and serving his community and that type of spirit showed threw his work and he even volunteer at City Events and please keep Will family, friend and co-worker your prayers.

At 11:49 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the Agenda.

Upon question by Council Member Kubosh Mayor Turner advised that the Ballot language for the Firemen’s Petition has not been completed.

33. ORDINANCE providing for the continuation of appropriations for the support of the City Government pursuant to the requirements of Article VIA, Section 1 of the City Charter; authorizing certain transfers; making other provisions related to the subject; containing a repealer and a severability clause **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KUBOSH**
This was Item 38 on Agenda of May 23, 2018- was presented,

Mayor Turner stated Item 38 simply was a continuous of the appropriations process just in case the Budget does not pass and a vote was called, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0431 ADOPTED**

34. ORDINANCE related to the Fiscal Affairs of the City; approving the Annual Budgets of the City of Houston, Texas, for Fiscal Year 2019, including provisions for future adjustment to certain fund balances; making various amendments to the proposed budgets; authorizing certain transfers; re-designating a cash reserve in the fund balance; establishing a cost for copies of the budget; making other provisions related to the subject; making certain findings related thereto; providing a repealing clause; providing for severability **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KUBOSH**
This was Item 39 on Agenda of May 23, 2018- was presented,

Mayor Turner stated Item 34 is the actual Budget and he wanted to make a few comments with in respect which is the Budget, it does eliminate the $114,000,000.00 short fall that they have started with and it does so without any deferrals, there is no real estate transaction that are being utilized to balance this year’s Budget and they do balance the Budget from a substantial amount from the Fund Balance around $82,000,000.00 and in large part sale tax have exceeded the expectations because projection were conservative and at the same time Sales Tax Revenues came in above expectation, they settled a lawsuit and it brought in $29,000,000.00 to the City’s Coffers and all of that was added to the Fund Balance and the Fund Balance with those items was up to about 13%, within this Budget they have 5 Police Cadet Classes which have about 75 Cadet’s in each class, there are 3 Cadet Classes for Firefighters, there is $5,000,000 additional overtime in this Budget for HPD and additional overtime funds for Fire as well, this Budget is about $82 million dollars above last year which 2 primer reasons Public Safety and enforcement because the Police pay raise starts on July 1st and there are other items as it relates to law enforcements and $40 million dollars to the
debt service, they are able to do it without layoffs of personal which is a major plus but what is not in the Budget the Deferred Maintenance and that amounts to $600,000.00 and what is also in not in the Budget is the $20 million dollars for the economic stabilization fund and is exhausted which they will get back from FEMA but do not know when and because of the population question they could stand to lose $17 million dollars from the Fund Balance, all in all he believes that they are presenting to Council a very good Budget that is sound, it allows them to serve the people in the City of Houston.

Council Member Cohen moved to suspend the rules to recognizing in session beyond noon to complete the Agenda and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0273 ADOPTED**

After a lengthy discussion Mayor Turner stated that Council would proceed with the proposed Amendments and they will start with District A.

Council Member Stardig presented the following Written Amendments numbers 6.01 through 6.03, to amend Item 34.

**6.01** Forty percent of the Administration Fee collected by the City of Houston from Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones (TIRZ) shall be transferred to the Houston Police Department (HPD) and the Houston Fire Department (HFD) and shall be allocated to the HPD patrol station and HFD first response territory station from which the funds were paid. These funds shall be used for overtime or equipment needs.

**6.02** Forty percent of the Municipal Services Fees collected by the City of Houston from Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones (TIRZ) shall be transferred to the Houston Police Department (HPD) and the Houston Fire Department (HFD) and shall be allocated to the HPD patrol station and HFD first response territory station from which the funds were paid. These funds shall be used for overtime or equipment needs.

**6.03** All rebates received by the City of Houston from the Verizon Wireless contract (OA 4600013135) shall be credited to the Houston Information Technology Services Department.

Council Member Stardig stated that she was withdrawing proposed amendments 6.01, 6.02 and 6.03.

Council Member Davis presented the following written Motion number 7.01 to Amend Item 34 as follows:

**7.01 Council District Service Fund**

This amendment allocates $275,000.00 from the General Fund Unassigned Ending Fund Balance to the Council District Service Fund (No. 1000/5500 Commit Item 550002) in the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget for a total of **$2,750,000.00 from the general fund** portion of the Council District Service Fund (CDSF); this amendment also affirms all allocation of **$5,500,000.00 from the Intergovernmental Revenue-Metro (GL Account 422150) for**
the Council District Service Fund (No.1000/5500 Commit Item 550002) in the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget for a total of $8,250,000.00 overall for CDSF.

Funding Source: General Fund- Unassigned Ending Fund Balance.

A Man was escorted from the Council Chamber by Police Officers for yelling and disrupting the City Council Session.

After a lengthy discussion a vote was called, Council Member Christie voting no, balance voting aye. MOTION 2018-0274 ADOPTED

Council Member Davis presented the following Written Motion to Amend Item 34:

7.02 Municipal Innovation Fund

This amendment allocates $150,000.00 or 1% of the funds transferred from Special Revenue Funds to the General Fund to create a Municipal Innovation Fund. This fund will provide annual grants to eligible City Departments to fund projects that improve operational efficiency and overall service delivery to citizens. The administration shall draft eligibility criteria and present to City Council for approval.

Note: Several Municipalities across the country have created similar funds to incentivize projects that optimize municipal resources and improve service delivery. Cities with similar funds include: Los Angeles, Portland and Denver.

Funding Source: Unassigned Ending Fund Balance

Council Member Davis withdrew his Written Amendment Numbered 7.02.

Council Member Davis presented the following Written Motion Numbered 7.03 to Amend Item 34.

7.03 Houston Economic Development Corporation

Within (90) days the administration shall report to the City Council Economic Development Committee regarding the feasibility of creating an Economic Development Corporation (EDC). The ECD would consolidate skilled individuals from various departments in the fields of community development, workforce, training, real estate and others into a single hub to manage the City’s Economic Development Strategy. The Economic Development Corporation will provide a one-stop shop for leveraging city assets for community development, small business development, corporate expansion, workforce training initiatives, and investments in emerging industries.

Funding Source: None required at this time.

Council Member Davis withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 7.03.
Council Member Boykins presented the following Written Motion Numbered 9.01 to Amend Item 34.

9.01 I move to amend the Houston Fire Department’s FY19 proposed budget to include the creation of the Houston Fire Department Special Revenue Fund, which will receive all revenue generated by HFD once a $50 million threshold has been reached. The Houston Fire Department Special Revenue Fund is solely for the upkeep and maintenance of vehicles, equipment, fire stations, and for addressing other HFD needs.

Over the last two fiscal years, the Houston Fire Department has generated on average $108 million in revenue annually.

Council Member Boykins withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 9.02.

Council Member Martin presented the following Written Motion to Amend Item 34.

10.01 This amendment would require the use of Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Fund (DDSRF) dollars to begin a maintenance program to include activities like dredging, removal of log jams, and watershed maintenance on City of Houston Waterways as well as conduct proactive watershed maintenance within the Houston City Limit.

Mayor Turner stated that they will work with Council Members and Council Member Martin withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 10.01.

Council Member Martin presented the following Written Motion, numbered 10.02 to Amend Item 34.

10.02 Remove all unbudgeted and unassigned special revenue funds and direct revenue to the General Fund Balance. Administration should present to Council on or before August 1, 2018, a City Council Agenda Item directing a transfer of these dollars, through the adoption of a City Ordinance directing this transfer. The Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) states that governments should identify all revenue sources, and the transfer of these unbudgeted and unassigned special revenue funds to the General Fund Balance improves transparency through simplification in the budget to make these same revenues easily identifiable in the City Budget and available in the General Fund.

Mayor Turner stated that they would provide the information and Council Member Martin withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 10.02.

Council Member Martin presented the following Written Motion Numbered 10.03 to Amend Item 34.

10.03 By October 1, 2018 the Administration will direct the Finance Department to add, as part of the Monthly Financial Report, the structurally imbalanced amounts of the City’s Budget. The Budget and Finance Committee shall define what should be reported as part of the structurally imbalanced budget prior to it being implemented by the Finance Department.
At a minimum the structural imbalance report should include OPEB underfunding and deferred maintenance.

After discussion, a vote was called, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2018-0275 ADOPTED**

Council Member Travis presented the following Written Motion Numbered for 12.01 to Amend Item 34.

**12.01** Increase SWAT Program funding by transferring $1,800,000 from Fund 2310, Cost Center 2000050032, GL 532020 (HPW Rebuild Houston Transfer to Capital Projects) to Fund 2310, Cost Center 2000050032, GL 532095 (HPW Rebuild Houston Transfer to Storm Water Fund). This action will increase FY 2019 funding for SWAT from $3,700,000 to $5,500,000 ($500,000 per district).

After a very lengthy discussion, a vote was called, Council Members Martin, Le, Travis, Knox and Kubosh voting aye, balance voting no. **MOTION 2018-0276 FAILED**

At 1:06 p.m. Mayor Turner stated that Council would be recessed for 5 minutes.

At 1:16 p.m. The City Council reconvened. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin and Cisneros absent.

Council Member Travis presented the following Written Motion Numbered for 12.02 to Amend Item 34.

**12.02** Transfer an additional $3,025,000 to City Council Cost Centers 5500020001 through 5500020011 (Districts A through K Service Projects – for an additional $275,000 per district) from one, or a combination of, any of the following funding sources: Fund 1000, Cost Center 9900010003, GL 520755 (General Government Contingency); Fund 1000, Cost Center 9900010003, GL 522430 (General Government Misc. Other Services and Charges); Fund 1000, Cost Center 990001003, GL 520110 (General Government Management Consulting); Fund 1000, Cost Center 990001003, GL 532025 (General Government Transfers to Special Revenue Funds).

Council Member Travis withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 12.02. Council Member Cisneros absent.
Council Member Travis presented the following Written Motion Numbered for 12.03 to Amend Item 34.

12.03 Within 60 days the Administration will establish a Health Benefits Subcommittee of Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee. Members of the subcommittee will meet monthly for six months to hear expert testimony, review comparative data, and produce recommendations to control rising active and retiree health care costs.

After discussion, a vote was called, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Cohen and Boykins absent. MOTION 2018-0277 ADOPTED

Council Member Travis presented the following Written Motion; Numbered 12.04 through 12.08 to Amend Item 34.

12.04 Within 90 days the Administration will present to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee cost-saving recommendations related to procurement reform.

12.05 Within 90 days the Administration will present to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee cost-saving recommendations related to the consolidation of Finance functions citywide, HITS functions citywide, and Human Resources functions citywide.

12.06 Within 90 days the Administration will present to the Public Safety Committee low-cost steps to increase police strength through civilianization, arrest diversion, and completion of jail merger.

12.07 Within 90 days the Administration will present to the Public Safety Committee initiatives aimed at increasing HFD revenue through changes in fire alarm policy and improved EMS collections and reducing costs through civilianization.

12.08 Within 90 days the Administration will present to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee its formalized vacancy control process to limit hiring for budgeted positions.

Council Member Travis withdrew his Written Amendment Numbered 12.04 through 12.08. Council Members Davis and Cohen absent.

Council Member Gallegos presented the following Written Motion Numbered 14.01 to Amend Item 34.

14.01 The Houston Parks & Recreation Department shall make a one-time allocation of $350,000.00 from the Parks Special Revenue Fund (No. 2100 / 3600) to perform repairs and other deferred maintenance of the city-owned historic structures at Sam Houston Park.

Council Member Gallegos withdrew his Written Amendment Numbered 14.01. Council Members Davis and Cohen and Boykins absent.

Council Member Gallegos presented the following Written Motion Numbered 14.02 to Amend Item 34.
14.02 The Houston Public Works Department shall explore the creation of a water conservation program with the goal of capturing and re-using water released through the regular maintenance process of fire hydrant flushings. Captured water shall be made available to other city departments, governmental entities or their contractors for the sole purpose of watering public landscaping. Costs savings shall be maintained within the Houston Water Fund (No. 8300 / 200004). An update shall be presented to the Regulation & Neighborhood Affairs Committee within 90 days of the approval of the amendment.

After discussion, a vote was called, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Cohen and Boykins absent. MOTION 2018-0278 ADOPTED

Council Member Laster presented the following Written Motion Numbered 15.01 to Amend Item 34.

15.01 Within 90 days of the passage of this budget, the Administration shall present a report and recommendations to City Council concerning the use and implementation of the formula used to determine municipal service fees imposed upon tax increment reinvestment zones.

After discussion, a vote was called, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Cohen absent. MOTION 2018-0279 ADOPTED

Council Member Robinson presented the following Written Motion Numbered 2.01 to Amend Item 34.

2.01 $250,000 from the Essential Public Health Special Revenue Fund for the Houston Corner Store Network (HCSN) within the Houston Health Department, to expand the program from a pilot program phase into a sustained program in the Houston Health Department capable of having city-wide impacts. The funding will be used for the administration and programming aspects of the HCSN, including, but not limited to, facilitating work with community non-profits to achieve the goals of the program; programming to maximize nutrition education and opportunities to influence purchasing behavior throughout each store; community outreach and promotion efforts to increase awareness of the HCSN among residents; support and facilitation expansion into new stores; development of a strong and sustainable food procurement system through existing and new partnerships with local produce companies, entrepreneurs, and wholesale grocers that will assist with access to low cost, healthy items and potentially create job opportunities; and support infrastructural and aesthetic changes that will enhance store appearance and customer interest in visiting the establishment.

Mayor Turner requested Council Member Robinson to withdraw the Amendment as this is a proposed project to give them time to work on it and Council Member Robinson withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 2.01. Council Member Davis absent.

Council Member Kubosh presented the following Written Motion Numbered 3.01 to Amend Item 34, which he read and seconded by Council Member Knox.
3.01 The budget for City Council (Fund 1000, Bus. Area No.5500) shall be increased to $538,961 for each office.

After a lengthy discussion, Council Members Kubosh withdrew his Motion to Amend Item 34 and Council Member Knox also withdrew to second. Council Member Davis absent.

Council Member Edwards presented the following Written Motion Numbered 4.01 to Amend Item 34.

4.01 The State of Texas utilizes the State of Texas Emergency Assistance Registry (STEAR), a free, voluntary registry, to provide local emergency planners and responders with information on residents with heightened functional needs in times of emergency. Many senior citizens and persons with disabilities register with STEAR in order to be helped in evacuating when disasters strike. Although numerous STEAR registrants seek evacuation assistance in times of crisis, such as Harvey, such disasters (where mandatory evacuation is not required) do not trigger the City of Houston’s use of STEAR to evacuate registrants. Currently, the City only assists STEAR registrants in the event of a declared mandatory evacuation. In the case of Harvey, many Houston-based registrants expected to receive STEAR-related assistance from emergency responders when their homes began flooding but were left confused when this type of help did not manifest.

In order to increase the assistance afforded to Houstonians with disabilities or heightened functional needs in the time of a disaster, the City of Houston shall modify the threshold triggering mandating assistance for STEAR registrants. Specifically, instead of requiring a mandatory evacuation event to occur in order to assist STEAR registrants, the City of Houston shall instead invoke STEAR evacuation assistance in the event of an applicable “State Disaster Declaration” by the Governor of the State of Texas, in which Harris County, Fort Bend County or other counties that may rest within the boundaries of City of Houston is a designated disaster area. During such event, STEAR registrants that reside in and are physically within the boundaries of the City of Houston would be eligible for evacuation assistance through STEAR, if desired. Doing so, will keep more Houstonians safe and will better meet the expectations and needs of Houstonians in times of crisis. To the extent funding is required for this modification, such funds shall be derived from the City of Houston Disaster Recovery Fund (Fund 5303) or the General Fund (Fund 1000), if funding from the Disaster Recovery Fund is not available.

Mayor Turner advised that the Mayor’s Office of Homeland Security is going to work with him to change and Council Member Edwards withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 4.01. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Cisneros and Laster absent.

Council Member Edwards presented the following Written Motion Numbered 4.02 to Amend Item 34.

4.02 The Internet serves as a gateway to information, education and employment opportunities. In an effort to more equitably enhance opportunities for upward mobility and educational
attainment by increasing affordability and access to in-home and small business broadband, Internet access should be increased in order to bridge the “digital divide.”

The City of Houston (1) may seek to commission a survey and detailed report of Houstonians’ home Internet usage or lack thereof to identify “Internet deserts”; and (2) shall issue an RFP to identify one or more Internet service providers that are willing to commit to deploying advanced wireline and wireless that can provide high-speed Internet to residences and businesses at low and no-cost in areas that may lack access to connectivity, including but not limited to those pilot communities in the Complete Communities Initiative.

Council Member Edwards withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 4.02 and stated she thought the matter should be considered. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Laster and Knox absent.

Council Member Edwards presented the following Written Motion Numbered 4.03 to Amend Item 34.

**4.03** In order to better align our real estate transactions with the evolving short term and long-term needs of our City, the City of Houston shall develop and implement a set of overarching guiding strategies (“Real Estate Strategy”) for the acquisition and sale of City properties. The Real Estate Strategy shall include, but is not limited to, the following guiding principles for consideration when assessing the acquisition and sale of City-owned properties: (1) whether the property has any foreseeable use by the City (short-term or long-term); (2) whether significant economic development opportunities can be generated by acquiring or selling the property; (3) if property is being sold by the City, assessing the potential impact of “new owner’s anticipated use” (if known) on the surrounding community; (4) whether the City will be relieved of or exposed to potential liabilities and/or costs of maintaining property that does not generate income or provide public benefit; (5) whether the acquisition or sale of the property will strengthen the City’s tax base; (6) in the case of land being purchased from the City, whether such a purchase catalyzes rapid gentrification; (7) whether the acquisition or sale will aid in reducing blight, and responsibly revitalize neighborhoods; (8) assessing how the sale or acquisition of the property may relate to the need to ensure quality, affordable housing is available within the City limits and (9) assessing if there may be foreseeable opportunities to use said property to provide leverage or better outcomes in favor of the City with respect to future or current public private partnerships. Departments holding City property shall be engaged to develop the Real Estate Strategy. The Real Estate Strategy shall be presented to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee within Fiscal Year 2019.

Council Member Edwards withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 4.03. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster and Knox absent.

Council Member Edwards presented the following Written Motion Numbered 4.04 to Amend Item 34.

**4.04** Houston was ranked by a study commissioned by Dell Computers as 27th in the nation for women entrepreneurs. The study looked at access to capital, talent, technology and
markets and found that financial, cultural and political barriers still limit the success of women-owned firms.

Although an Expert Market study ranked Houston as 1st in the nation overall for minority entrepreneurs in 2017, minority-owned businesses are still denied loans at three times the rate of non-minority firms, according to the Minority Owned Business Development Agency.

In an effort to make Houston THE Leader in the country for both women-owned businesses and minority-owned businesses, the City of Houston shall establish a Women & Minority-Owned Business Task Force to further support, attract and retain women and minority businesses.

The Task Force will make policy recommendations as well as analyze best practices from other cities. The Task Force will examine how to foster an atmosphere of growth for women & minority businesses, including but not limited to, examining ways to (1) increase access to capital for minority & women owned businesses and (2) “scale up” businesses to allow them to expand, grow, and find for higher yield returns.

The Task Force shall be comprised of 12 members, including but not limited to representation from the Office of Business Opportunity, community business leaders, as well as representation from various ethnic and gender based chambers of commerce, including but not limited to: the Greater Houston Women’s Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Houston Black Chamber of Commerce, Acres Home Chamber for Business & Economic Development, the Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the Asian Chamber of Commerce, the Indo-American Chamber of Commerce and the Vietnamese American Chamber of Commerce, South Asian Chamber of Commerce, Pakistan Chamber of Commerce, Korean American Chamber of Commerce and the National US-Arab Chamber of Commerce, among others.

After discussion, Council Member Edwards moved to delete the Number of Members and provide that Members can include but will not be limited to Members of a Chamber of Commerce and seconded by Council Member Stardig. Motion to Amend carried.

Vote on original Motion as Amended, all voting aye, nay none. Council Member Davis, Boykins, Travis and Knox absent. MOTION 2018-0280 ADOPTED

Council Member Christie presented Written Motion numbered 5.01 to Amend Item 34.

5.01 Fleet Profile and Efficiency Analysis

This amendment allocates $150,000. to fund an external professional evaluation of the City’s Fleet, fuel use, emission profile, and to identify opportunities to maximize state-and federal grant availability, to make recommendations on a long-term replacement plan, and to develop a Clean Fleet Policy for the City.

(Most major cities have longstanding clean fleet policies)

Funding Source: GL520755 (General Government Contingency) GL522430 (General Government Misc. Other Services and Charges), or GL522430(General Government Management Consulting)
After discussion, Council Member Christie withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 5.01.

Council Member Christie presented Written Motion numbered 5.02 to Amend Item 34.

5.02 Shared Services Working Group

Within 90 days the administration shall report to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee a proposal for a Shared Services Working Group to explore shared services opportunities among other regional governmental entities, (e.g., Harris County, Metro, the Port of Houston, HISD and other municipalities.)

Funding Source: No funding required at present,

After discussion, Council Member Christie withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 5.02 and that the matter be referred back to the (BFA) Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee.

Council Member Christie presented Written Motion numbered 5.03 to Amend Item 34.

5.03 Central Grant Writing Office

Within 90 days the administration shall report to the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee an analysis of the creation of a Central Grant Writing Office for all departments in the City of Houston. Many cities have centralized grant-writing functions to augment individuals departments grant-seeking efforts. This office can serve to increase grant revenue across all sectors of the City. The report should include a recommendation on the appropriate number of FTEs, ensuring that grant revenue generated exceed expenditures at a rate commensurate with leading offices nationally.

Funding Source: None at present.

After discussion, a vote was called on the Written Amendment Numbered 5.03, Council Member Davis voting no, balance voting aye. **MOTION 2018-0281 ADOPTED**

Council Member Christie presented Written Motion Numbered 5.04 to Amend Item 34.

5.04 In future annual reports, the Office of Business Opportunity shall include information about the additional cost (if any) of the Hire Houston First preferential program.

After discussion, a vote was called on the Amendment Numbered 5.04 all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Cisneros absent. **MOTION 2018-0282 ADOPTED**

Council Member Christie presented Written Motion numbered 5.05 to Amend Item 34.

5.05 Beginning in FY20, the Finance Department shall revert to Annual Budget publication standards, details, and departmental staffing and performance information last promulgated in FY11.
Council Member Christie withdrew the Numbered 5.05. Council Member Castex-Tatum absent.

Council Member Christie presented Written Motion numbered 5.06 to Amend Item 34.

5.06 Establish a Special Revenue Fund for the Department of Neighborhoods (DON) Inspections and Public Services Division. Currently there is no fee attached to DON inspections. The Department has identified the possibility of both vacant building and short-term rental registration programs. These programs have been implemented in cities such as Dallas, San Antonio, Austin, San Marcos, and Coppell, TX. With inspection-based revenue, the Department of Neighborhoods would hire inspectors and inspections support staff that would be paid via the Special Revenue Fund. By generating revenue, the Department could repurpose general fund personnel expenditures, or free funds used for CDBG activities. Moreover, with additional General Fund dollars available, DON would be in position to increase funding for abatement personnel and abatement activity.

Council Member Christie withdrew the Written Amendment Numbered 5.06. Council Member Castex-Tatum absent.

Mayor Turner stated that is all of the Amendments presented and Council now they would go back to the Main Item 34 as Amended.

Council Member Christie stated that he for the past few months it was obvious that he would not achieve fiscal responsibility and restraint though this Budget process, he expressed opinions to help save money, cleaner options, he offered many appointments and most was turned down, he was not listened to; the past 2 ½ years of being the Chairman of the BFA has been rewarding and challenging, he is tired of being denied, not being listened too, false promises and because of that he is resigning his post as Chairman of the Budget and Finical Affairs Committee at the end of today and he will continue to stand his ground and he will not back down.

Mayor Turner stated that he will accept his resignation as of today without any hesitation.

Members of Council expressed opinions relative to the resignation.

Mayor Turner stated that in this year alone when Council first voted to lower the tax rate, based on the census information with the population being stagnant for now and with the Revenue Cap that means another $17 million dollars possible reduction, that is a total of $25 million that they may not have access to and he did not see Council Member Christie coming with this announcement and none of the rejection that were prior too only when it relates to fuel efficiency and alternative fuels, the Administration submitted the Budget and everyone had the opportunity to provide input through their Amendments and they have made tough decisions together for the past couple of years and he wanted to also state that he is proud of this Budget before them and he has dealt with a lot of Budgets in his Political Service, it maintains City Services, it provides 5 additional Cadet Classes and 3 Fire Cadet Classes, are they vote against 5 cadet classes and 3 Fire Cadet Classes because when you going to vote against this Budget, let it be very clear when they vote against this Budget, they are voting against Police and Fire Cadet Classes and he has been around this game for a long time and when they vote no on this Budget, they are making another statement and this is a sound Budget and it is in the best interest for the City of Houston.
After a lengthy discussion by Members of Council Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to Call the Roll on Item 34 the Budget Ordinance as Amended.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Turner voting – aye   Council Member Gallegos voting - aye
Council Member Stardig voting- aye   Council Member Laster voting - aye
Council Davis voting- aye   Council Member Castex-Tatum voting- aye
Council Member Cohen voting – aye   Council Member Knox voting – no
Council Member Boykins voting – aye   Council Member Robinson voting – aye
Council Member Martin voting – aye   Council Kubosh voting - no
Council Member Le voting – aye   Council Member Edwards voting - aye
Council Member Travis voting – no   Council Member Christie voting - no
Council Member Cisneros voting – aye

ORDINANCE 2018-0432 ADOPTED

35. ORDINANCE ratifying the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2019 Annual Budgets raising more revenue from Ad Valorem (Property) Taxes due to increased property valuations and the addition of property to the tax roll than in Fiscal Year 2018; setting an effective date

This item should only be considered after passage of Item 34 above

TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KUBOSH

This was Item 40 on Agenda of May 23, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.

ORDINANCE 2018-0433 ADOPTED

At 3:02 p.m. Mayor Turner stated that they will continue with the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 27

ACCEPT WORK - NUMBERS 1 through 5

1. RECOMMENDATION from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $529,424.45 and acceptance of work on contract with NATIONAL WORKS, INC for Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Television Inspection In Support of Rehabilitation - 1.49% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount - (4277-75)- the City Secretary advised Item 1 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.

2. RECOMMENDATION from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $3,185,936.71 and acceptance of work on contract with MCKINNEY CONSTRUCTION, INC for Water Line Replacement in Dodson Area - 4.92% under the original contract amount - DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and H – CISNEROS- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2018-0283 ADOPTED
4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $1,977,726.85 and acceptance of work on contract with **SER CONSTRUCTION PARTNERS, LLC** for 30-Inch Water Line from Southwest Pump Station to Mid Lane - 0.95% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT G - TRAVIS** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0284 ADOPTED**

5. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $4,991,455.71 and acceptance of work on contract with **INDUSTRIAL TX CORPORATION** for Renovation of the 4200 Leeland Annex and Improvements at the North East Water Purification Plant Administration Building - 1.99% over the original contract amount - **DISTRICTS E- MARTIN and I – GALLEGOS** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0285 ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 14 through 27

14. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $690,000.00 out of FY2018 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund as an appropriation for purchases made that will support the policies, procedures and practices initiated by Executive Order 1-48 and will reduce the risk of access to City of Houston systems, data and information- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0434 ADOPTED**

15. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Sole Source Contract between the City of Houston and **CENTER FOR INTERNET SECURITY, INC** for Cyber Security Monitoring Services for Houston Information Technology Services Department; providing a maximum contract amount - $137,760.00 Central Service Revolving Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0435 ADOPTED**

19. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $10,000.00 out of General Improvement Consolidated Construction Fund, $125,000.00 out of Parks Consolidated Construction Fund, $43,000.00 out of Fire Consolidated Construction Fund, $100,000.00 out of Police Consolidated Construction Fund, $120,000.00 out of Solid Waste Consolidated Construction Fund, $50,000.00 out of Public Health Consolidated Construction Fund and $25,000.00 out of Public Library Consolidated Construction Fund as an appropriation to the FY2018 Professional Environmental Consulting Services Task Order Program for Comprehensive Environmental Consulting Services for various City Departments (Approved by Ordinance Number 2012-0900)- the City Secretary advised that Item 19 have not been received, if received during the course in the meeting, it will be considered at the Agenda.

20. **MUNICIPAL** Setting Designation Ordinance prohibiting the use of designated groundwater beneath a tract of land containing 0.8244 acre commonly known as 5829 and 5819 Kirby Drive, Houston, Harris County, Texas; supporting issuance of a Municipal Setting Designation by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality at the request of **Felix Center on Kirby**,
Lmt. and Kirby Center Partners, LLC - DISTRICT C – COHEN- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0436 ADOPTED

22. ORDINANCE appropriating $4,210,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF, awarding contract to J. SIMMONS GROUP, INC for FY18 Local Drainage Project Work Order Construction (Contract 1); setting a deadline for 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 Recovery and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0437 ADOPTED

23. ORDINANCE appropriating $3,071,064.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to T CONSTRUCTION, LLC for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal; setting a deadline for the bidder’s execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering and testing, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund (WW4235-97) was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0438 ADOPTED

24. ORDINANCE appropriating $3,053,096.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to T CONSTRUCTION, LLC for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal; setting a deadline for the bidder’s execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering and testing, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund (WW4235-98)- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0439 ADOPTED

25. ORDINANCE appropriating $4,479,425.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to TEXAS PRIDE UTILITIES, LLC for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal; setting a deadline for the bidder’s execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering and testing, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund (WW4235-99)- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0440 ADOPTED

26. ORDINANCE appropriating $2,734,578.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to T CONSTRUCTION, LLC for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal; setting a deadline for the bidder’s execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering and testing, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the
27. ORDINANCE No. 2018-0419, passed first reading May 23, 2018 ORDINANCE granting to ECO BRIGHT SOLUTIONS, LLC, a Texas Limited Liability Company, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions - SECOND READING- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent. PASSED SECONDED READING IN FULL

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

3. RECOMMENDATION from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $12,722,499.52 and acceptance of work on contract with HARPER BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION, LLC for 60-Inch Water Line along Monroe and Rockhill from Airport to Glen Valley - 0.05% over the original contract amount - DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. MOTION 2018-0286 ADOPTED

6. ORDINANCE appropriating $5,000,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund to deposit an award of the Special Commissioners for the acquisition of land, being Parcel CY16-006, for the Fountainview Required Lift Station Construction and abandonment of the Westheimer No. 1 Lift Station Project- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-0442 ADOPTED

7. RECOMMENDATION from City Attorney to deposit the amount of the Award of Special Commissioners into the Registry of the Court, pay all Costs of Court in connection with eminent domain proceedings styled City of Houston v. The Iglesia Family Trust, Cause No. 2017-46364, for acquisition of Parcel CY16-006; for the FOUNTAINVIEW REGIONAL LIFT STATION CONSTRUCTION and WESTHEIMER NO. 1 LIFT STATION ABANDONMENT PROJECT DISTRICTS G - TRAVIS and J - LASTER
This item should only be considered after passage of Item 6 above- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays one. MOTION 2018-0287 ADOPTED

8. METRO FIRE APPARATUS SPECIALISTS, INC - $1,903,729.00; DACO FIRE EQUIPMENT, INC - $1,102,057.00; KNAPP CHEVROLET, INC - $146,400.00 and CHASTANG ENTERPRISES INC d/b/a CHASTANG FORD - $800,000.00 for purchase of one Aerial Ladder Truck, one Quint Truck, one Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Truck, one Cab & Chassis Mounted with Urban Command Body and ten Response Command Vehicles through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Houston-Galveston
Area Council for Various Departments  $3,952,186.00 - Enterprise and Other Funds- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0288 ADOPTED**

9. **ORDINANCE** appropriating and allocating $3,394,207.00 out of Homeless and Housing Consolidated Bond Fund and $605,793.00 from the TIRZ Affordable Housing Fund; approving and authorizing Performance Based Loan Agreement between the City of Houston and THE MEN'S CENTER, INCORPORATED (doing business as RECENTER) to provide the appropriated funds to assist with the construction of a 62 unit Supportive Housing Facility, to be located in the vicinity of 3809 Main Street in Houston, Texas, that will provide affordable housing to low and moderate income persons **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0443 ADOPTED**

10. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing second amendment to Loan Agreement between the City of Houston and REGENCY WALK, LLC, which provided a loan of Federal CDBG-Rita Disaster Recovery Funds for Repair and Rehabilitation of an apartment property located in the vicinity of 10301 and 10400 Sandpiper, Houston, Texas, related to the transfer of ownership to SANDPIPER APARTMENTS OWNER, LLC, and VISTA ARBOR APARTMENTS OWNER, LLC - **DISTRICT K - CASTEX-TATUM** - was presented and tagged by Council Member Laster. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0444 ADOPTED**

11. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing an amended and restated sublease between SHELL OIL COMPANY (Sublessor) and the City of Houston (Sublessee) for the sublease of office space for certain City of Houston employees at One Shell Plaza, 910 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas $70,073.80 - General Fund - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0445 ADOPTED**

12. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing submission of an application for grant assistance to the NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION for a mobile Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM) Unit and associated costs for STEM Programs for youth from 4th through 12th grades Grant; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Director of the Houston Public Library Department to act as the City's representative in the application process, to accept such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for an accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the program - $750,000.00 - Grant Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0446 ADOPTED**

13. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and the SEGAL COMPANY (WESTERN STATES), INC, known as SEGAL WATERS CONSULTING for Consulting Services for a Total Compensation Survey; providing a maximum contract amount - **$165,000.00** General Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0447 ADOPTED**

16. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $269,849.00 out of Contributed Capital Project Fund; approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) Go-Direct vendor CATAPULT SYSTEMS, LLC (DIR-3843) for Software Upgrade and Migration Services for the Houston Information Technology
Services Department; providing a maximum contract amount- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDERANCE 2018-0447 ADOPTED

17. ORDERANCE amending Ordinance No. 2015-0152 (Passed by Council on February 18, 2015) to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and HP, INC for Computer Products, related services and for the PC Replacement Project for the Houston Information Technology Services Department - $4,122,329.93 - Equipment Acquisition Consolidated and Central Service Revolving Funds- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDERANCE 2018-0448 ADOPTED

18. ORDERANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and IMAGESOF, INC for Onbase Software Products and services for Various Departments; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - $4,235,338.63 - Enterprise, Central Service Revolving and TIRZ Affordable Housing Funds- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDERANCE 2018-0449 ADOPTED

21. ORDERANCE appropriating $360,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and PLUS SIX ENGINEERING, LLC for Engineering and Construction Technical Support for Capital Projects; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDERANCE 2018-0450 ADOPTED

MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 28 through 32

28. MOTION by Council Member Cohen/Seconded by Council Member Davis to adopt recommendation from Chief Procurement Officer to award to CHASTANG ENTERPRISES, INC dba CHASTANG FORD - $52,376.00, SILSBEE FORD, INC - $3,713,464.83, DONALDSON-UMPHREY AUTOMOBILE GROUP, INC d/b/a SILSBEE TOYOTA - $342,643.08 and CALDWELL AUTOMOTIVE PARTNERS LLC, dba CALDWELL COUNTRY CHEVROLET - $6,656,279.06 for Automobiles, Utility Vehicles, Vans and Light Duty Trucks through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Texas Local Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) and the Houston-Galveston Area Council for Various Departments - $10,764,762.97 - Equipment Acquisition Consolidated and Other Funds - TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CHRISTIE
This was Item 12 on Agenda of May 23, 2018- was presented, Council Members Knox, Kubosh and Christie voting no, balance voting aye. MOTION 2018-0289 ADOPTED

29. ORDERANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City and THE DEAN G. PAPPAS LAW FIRM PLLC for Legal Services relating to the City’s Workers’ Compensation Benefits Program; providing a maximum contract - $1,650,000.00 - 3 Years with two one-year options Workers Compensation Admin Fund - TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER TRAVIS
This was Item 19 on Agenda of May 23, 2018- was presented, Council Members Travis, Knox and Kubosh voting no, balance voting aye. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent. ORDERANCE 2018-0451 ADOPTED
30. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and MULTIFORCE SYSTEMS CORPORATION for Hardware and Software Maintenance and Support Services for the Automated Fuel Management System for the Fleet Management Department; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - $893,953.73 - Fleet Management Fund TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CHRISTIE
This was Item 25 on Agenda of May 23, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Christie absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0452 ADOPTED

31. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing an Interlocal Agreement for Post Oak Boulevard Bus Rapid Transit/Dedicated Bus Lane and Uptown Transit Center Project between UPTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, HARRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, THE CITY OF HOUSTON and the METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS - DISTRICT G - TRAVIS - TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER TRAVIS
This was Item 27 on Agenda of May 23, 2018- was presented, Council Member Travis voting no, balance voting aye. Council Members Davis and Christie absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0453 ADOPTED

32. ORDINANCE approving third amendment to Lease Agreement between PHUONG M. NGUYEN and the City of Houston, Texas related to the leased premises located at 8536 Hammerly Street, Houston, Texas - DISTRICT A - STARDIG - TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STARDIG
This was Item 28 on Agenda of May 23, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council member Christie absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0454 ADOPTED

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 3:44 p.m. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox, Kubosh and Christie absent.

DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED

Anna Russell, City Secretary