City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, August 21, 2018

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 14, 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, Martha Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Randy Zamora, Legal Department, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office present.

At 1:57 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and stated they would start with the presentations. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Laster, Castex-Tatum and Christie absent.

Council Member Martin stated that James Muecke was born in Shiner, Texas. After graduating high school, he moved to San Marcos, Texas, where he earned a bachelor of business administration degree and a commission in the Air Force as an officer serving in Hokkaido, Japan and Formosa, after being honorably discharged, he moved to Houston and worked for Baker Oil Tools for nearly seven years before moving to Transco Energy Company where he was the manager of purchasing for 29 years and James Muecke is currently retired but is still active in the community and he joined the board of his community’s civic club but left shortly after the end of Larry Newby’s presidency and began to work closely with Councilman Dave Martin and he is most proud of the Berry Bayou project, which limited flooding in the area. He spearheaded the project for 13 years and his devotion and subsequent success doubtlessly helped many residents during Hurricane Harvey, James Muecke is proactive when he hears the concerns of his fellow citizens, in one instance, he contacted Houston Public Works about a dangerous bridge that needed to be replaced and he has worked with the city on matters of safety and neighborhood beautification. He is the proud husband of the late Virginia Marie, the devoted father of two children and the loving grandfather of two granddaughters and on August 21, 2018, James Muecke will be honored for his leadership and passionate commitment to the quality of life in Houston’s communities and the City of Houston commends and appreciates James Muecke for his endless contributions to the Edgebrook Corridor and the Houston Community and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed August 21, 2018, as James Muecke Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Davis and Travis absent.

At 2:14 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Edwards for the Invocation and Pledge and she invited Reverend Carolyn Pickens for the Invocation and Council Member Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin and Travis absent.

At 2:21 p.m. The Roll was Called.

Council Member Cohen moved to adopt the Minutes of May 15-16, 2018 and delay the balance and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION ADOPTED

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Gallegos for a point of personal privilege; Council Member Gallegos stated that he would like to knowledge Cub Scout Troop 611 and they meet at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and they are here to earn their Government Badge.

Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.
Michael Huffmaster, 102 Cove Creek Ln., 77042 appeared and stated that he is here on behalf of the Super Neighborhood Alliance and he wants to refer to a letter that they sent to the Mayor and Council Members and they are pleased that Houston is moving forward on Item 17 with changes to policies and procedures which migrated flooding by adopting recommendations of the Redevelopment and Drainage Task Force as policy revisions Chapter 9 and 13 of the Infrastructures Manual, long journeys begin with simple steps and the Super Neighborhood Alliance recognizes and applaud the City of Houston for taking this step and they support this Task Force recommendations and they all know that far more substantive changes are required to completely address mitigation flood in Houston and the lessons that they all have learned from Harvey, they encourage the City of Houston to continue the journey to conduct a full update of Chapter 9 and 13 to address flooding in more compressive situations and they have outline comments to the attachment that was sent to them and these measures are needed to protect structures from flooding and they look forward in working with them and Public Works in moving forward and addressing mitigation flooding in the City of Houston.

Mayor Turner thanked Mr. Huffmaster and they recognize this just as well and they look forward to working with him and the Super Neighborhoods.

Members of Council thanked Mr. Huffmaster for everything that he and the Super Neighbors does for the community.

Alkebu Motapa, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Robert Horton, 3714 Bain St., 77026, (832)748-4010 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Emmanuel Thomas, no address, (832)931-1469 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Laura Soya, 6727 Telephone Rd., 77061, (832)470-6697 appeared (with a Translator) and stated that for the past 20 years she has worked as a janitor cleaning the City buildings around Houston and at her last job she became victim of wage theft with one of the City’s Subcontractor that failed to pay her of all the hours of overtime that she had worked and during Hurricane Harvey she worked around the clock to clean a Police Station, she slept on a cot in the employees restroom for 2 days to make sure that the jail house was clean and unfortunately her ex-employee did not pay her for all the hours while she was on the job during the Hurricane and that pushed her to file a wage theft complaint, it was not one or two pay checks on what went wrong, her employee failed to pay for years and she filed with the City Inspector General and agreed she was a victim of wage theft and she was owed $1300.00. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Knox, Kubosh and Edwards absent.

Mayor Turner advised Ms. Soya their findings were confirmed against the company and they are very sensitive to everything that she had to say and unfortunately the Prime Contractor is not held responsible for the actions from the Subcontractor and they are taking into the account by the actions that were done by this particular subcontractor.

Members of Council question Ms. Soya at length.

Sam Smith, 7813 Glass St., 77016, (346)810-7471 appeared and stated on May 24th of 2018 he was car jack and rob, on July 11th was the last time that he heard from the Police Officer and his
first question is why his case was assigned to Gang a Unit Officer. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Mr. Smith that he does not have enough information about the situation and he will get someone to get his information and see if they can see what they can do to help him.

John Anders, 14839 Willow Hearth, 77084, (713)502-3761 appeared and stated that he is long term Houstonian and the reason he is here today is that he recently learned about the decision relating to the Hero Tree Memorial which is located in front of Meyerland Plaza, as they know the Memorial was erected in 1961 to represent their sacrifice the Texas Air National Guard Pilot Gary Harrod and it stood as a beckon of light for generations of Houstonians to reflect upon their role as member of their community that they know that they are not all alone and they have a responsibility to each other and during a routine flight out of Ellington Air Force Base and Captain Harrod plane developed problems that was flying over the Meyerland area and within a short period of time Captain Harrod had to decide if to eject out the plane to save himself from this aircraft and letting it crash pilotless in nearby neighborhood and possibility of causing a fire storm resulting in untold property, injury and death to the innocent people on the ground and that was not an option for Captain Harrod and he decided to remain with his plane, he was a family man and he left a pregnant wife along with a young daughter, Captain Harrod was 31 years old when he died and now because of a grocery store is being built close to the Memorial, the tree was determine to be dangerous by the Arborist and had nothing to do with grocery store that is being built, it was a dangerous tree because kids like to climb on it and there was concern it would hurt someone and there was a group of people that came together that are raising money to put another form of Memorial to honor Captain Harrod and all that he did.

Council Member Cohen thanked him for his concern and passion about the issue, she spent some time on this and the fact of the matter was that the tree was determine to be dangerous by the Arborist and had nothing to do with grocery store that is being built, it was a dangerous tree because kids like to climb on it and there was concern it would hurt someone and there was a group of people that came together that are raising money to put another form of Memorial to honor Captain Harrod and all that he did.

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 Stardig, Le and Knox absent.

Ruby German, no address, (713)306-8882 appeared and stated that she has a formal complaint against Parking Management, on the way that they work and apparently they put a boot on one of her vehicles and actually went to her home to do that and she was not aware why and apparently one of her kids have driven one of her vehicles and Parking Management failed to notify her about her kids driving one of her cars and had a parking ticket for parking temporarily in handicap parking area and this was 2 years ago and she went to Parking Management with an Officer that they were going to interview her saying that she had 2 hours to pay $1,122.08 because she had an unpaid parking ticket, that she never knew about and the only reason she knew about it was because they put a boot on her vehicle, this was 2 years ago and if she knew about the ticket she would have taken the car away from him and most likely pay the ticket and which she did pay the $1,122.08 in less than 2 hours to Mr. Dennis Alenick who was with Parking Management, he was her Hearing Case Officer and he did not seem to care about what she is saying. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Ms. German that he is looking at this memo that the courtesy noticed was sent on October 7, 2016 and the bootie was eligible on October 27, 2016, on October 28, 2016 was delinquent citation notice, the 60 days’ notice was on 11/21/2016 and the Hearing Officer
stated that Ms. German attended a Booting Hearing at the Municipal Court on August 14, 2018 and she also stated that she admitted in having received the notices and that her children were the ones that received the Citation and Ms. German stated that she asked Mr. Dennis to show her the dates of the claimed notices which he stated that she received 6 of them but she only received 1 of them and that she would not have taken the time out of her day to be here today and after the Hearing she went back and spoke to her kids and if she had known that her son was going to park there way before this, she would have already taken care of it.

Members of Council questioned Ms. German at length.

The City Secretary advised that a speaker that previously not present when the name was called, is here and would be next on the list.

Emmanuel Thomas, no address, (832)931-1469 appeared and stated that he has come to Council many times before and addressing the need for some help out in the Greenspoint area, the apartments in 5th Ward are not accessible by emergency vehicles to get in and a man lost his life because of not having security at the front gate and a lot of these people are scared to stand up and say something, he had spoken many times about this and then he lost his son on November 5th because of the same thing and he and others in 5th Ward had done a lot of things during Hurricane Harvey and after Harvey and they have not even gotten a pat on the back but they were doing it to help each other out, he is hurt to believe that the City that he comes to help but his son still does not have a head stone and the killer of his son is still out there, no one has responded and he still has not gotten any calls, a lot of people are losing their lives because of the gates and they are not properly working and he has a lot of videos to prove it and he is showing everyone about the negligence and he has come and spoken and he is at a loss because of that same negligence. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le and Knox absent.

Upon questions by Mayor Turner Mr. Thomas advised that he was killed on November 5, 2017 in apartments at 150 Dominion Trails and he was shot by a young man and the young man has not been found because he had not gotten any help from the Detective or the DA that was over his son’s case and Mayor Turner stated he needs to get more information to get the status of the case and he wants to coordinate their efforts with County.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Thomas at length.

Elbert Robertson, 7225 Bellerive St. 77036, (832)338-2994 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le and Knox absent.

William Beal, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le and Knox absent.

Will Hill, 14777 Wunderlich Dr., 77065, (281)964-5388 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le and Knox absent.

Joe Angel Falcon, 7524 Victoria, 77020, (832)752-3047 appeared and stated that he came today about an infraction and he had studied law for 18 years and read a statement about City Council City Council cannot have 3 cases which is a possession, a sex case, larceny case or some type of bribe, something that along the line and discussed his personal opinion on various issues. Council Members Davis, Boykins, martin, Le, Laster and Knox absent.
Mayor Turner advised Mr. Falcon that he appreciates him coming and explain his situation.

Cynthia Rushing, 4110 Woodmont, 77045, (281)408-0344 appeared and stated she is requesting a new order, Director J. C. Messiah to stop harassing her, she is native Houstonian with a BS in Accounting from the University of Houston, MBA from Rice University and a Certified Public Accountant, she had previously worked with Mr. Messiah as the Deputy Assistant Director and Chief Financial Officer for GSD for only 6 months, she joined the City in 2016 with over 25 years of Finance Management experience in Oil and Gas Industry and on July 3rd Mr. Messiah asked for her resignation and at that time she returned all of the City of Houston issued properties and after 20 days of the separation date started his harassment campaign and on several occasion Mr. Messiah instructed others to contact her about a computer monitor and a computer pen and sent her letter on August 7th threatening to refer the matter to the Office of Inspector General or HPD to pursue theft of City property, criminal charges if she did not return items by August 13th and around August 16th Mr. Messiah ordered a mutual person to reach out to her again, to have her to contact him to make a statement that she did not have any City property and this is harassment and abuse of power, in her brief time with the City she was subject to a hostile work environment in intimidation, bullying and Mr. Messiah makes it known that he is always carrying a fire arm and is known to pull out his gun and he leads by intimidation and fear and because of this leadership style any ideas was cost efficiencies are shot down but she can appreciate him in applying this level of intensely in safeguarding City property but she believe that City resources can be better utilized on critical issues instead of material value and to harass her for amount valued at most $200.00 which she does not have and she rather see Mr. Messiah force minimizing duplicate payments to contractors or stop paying for services on facilities that been closed for over 5 years.

Council Members Laster, Knox and Edwards absent.

Council Member Davis stated that he is looking at a letter that is dated August the 7th in certified mail and it just according to the City of Houston Policy, employees are required to return all City property upon resignation and as of the writing in the letter was there is no records of her returning items and questioned her that she is stating that this is what she believes is harassing her, which Ms. Rushing said yes and then he continued to questioned her about the items and how she communicating to the Department about not having the items and he thinks that he would consider this as in the certified mail as him doing his job but he appreciates her coming down and Members of Council questioned Ms. Rushing.

Harold Scott, 1831 Creegan Park Ct., 77047, (832)897-2814 appeared and stated that he was employed by the City of Houston in December of 2010 as an Inspector in the Construction Division and his job was to oversee contractors when they go out and do water line projects and to ensure that they follow the City specifications and guidelines and recently he had been charged with an allegation by a contractor and took it to OIG and the case was sustained against him without any kind of proof and what he held up were advisory notices and noncompliance’s which the contractor would go against the City’s specs and they have to write the contractors up and give them to Management, OIG gives one sided investigations and he believes that Public Works and Engineering Department need to be investigated because people are losing their jobs by doing their jobs, he is been indefinitely suspended, they sent him home for around 3 months and Carol Haddock signed up for his suspension and he is currently scheduled to go to a Civil Service Hearing on Thursday the 23rd which he is not in good favor about because he recently learned that a person named Constance Acosta who he thinks that she the used to work in the Legal Department before, he does not believe that he is going to get a fair shot and then he found about few people that are going to be there and then he called Jane Cheeks Office to get answers and what is going to happen and what he found out really shocked him to hear that in the vote that the employee always loses and the City employed him to go look at these contractors and these
contractors the City paying a lot of money and they are putting residents in harm’s way, the contractors are putting pipes where they should not go and tapping the City’s waterlines illegally and he took his job very serious and he is very passionate and he is going to fight this suspension all the way and will take this to any court that he can and he wishes that they would look into this and the meeting that is schedule for Thursday, he hoping that they will stop it and remove this individual off of this panel because he does not see this being fair, he has not gotten any support from his team, he has gone to Joe Meyers which Council knows who he is, he has e-mails to prove that these contractors continue doing unethical work. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Laster and Edwards absent.

Mayor Turner advised Mr. Scott for him to follow the process and to go to the Hearing on August 23rd.

Gladys House-El, 1605 Andrew St., 77019, (832)781-9724 appeared and stated that she handed out information which is dated for today and it is to bring to their attention about the on growing concerns in Freedmen’s Town and she had broken it down into different categories housing, streets, social tourist economics and nothing has been happening and she is concern that the Mayor has issued directives by some of his staff people to work with them and there is no results and it is spelled out in this two page document and she is trying to find out where he is with meetings with TIRZ, the Department Director for Housing. Council Members Martin, Le and Laster absent.

Mayor Turner advised that he has had meetings with Ms. Bostic and he is going to meet with Ms. Lewall from that group and trying to come up with a plan for a redeveloping position of that area.

Devon Jones, 9531 Fossil Canyon, Humble, TX, 77396, (832)713-9299 appeared and stated that he is Department Union Representative for the Houston Emergency Center and he also served on the Grievance Panel for the City of Houston and a Veteran of the United States Marines, he was recognized twice by the State of Texas for Employee of the year and what he is here today for is to inform them and he has e-mailed Mayor Turner about the conduct of his Management and specifically about the Director, Mr. Cutler in his discrimination acts which he sees as a violation of the Code of Ordinance, Chapter 2 and his issue is that he faces discrimination, harassments and retaliation from this Department for exercises his rights and filing complaints to make sure that all of the employees are treated fairly and the main issue happened during Hurricane Harvey, he went to work on his day off, he lost his car in the flood while helping the City Employees that kept contacting him about their mistreatment and he has a report with him from the New York Post about what happen and this is not what happen during Hurricane Harvey, he filed Police Reports, with Office of the Inspector General and they are doing one sided investigation that are not fair to the employees in the results of the mistreatment of the City Employees and requesting the removal of Director Cutler and also Constance Acosta as she is co-chairperson because she should not be on there, she was the Division Manager for the Legal Department for almost 30 years and she been in the seat since May of 2015. Council members Martin, Le and Laster absent.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Jones.

Randy King, no address, (281)690-6046 appeared and stated that he is with Rigs Construction, in 2 weeks it will be one year that they came over here on the Annex Parking Garage to dry it out and the Prime Contractor would be Comfort Corporate Care and he wants to give a shout out to Council Member Boykins because he is the only person that had contacted them with their concerns and he has sent each and one of the Council Members a demand letter for their payment and they have not been paid a dime in almost a year and they have had every excuse under the
sun on why they have not gotten this bill out, they have told him that the bill has not been vetted, that they are waiting on paper work and he can tell them this, they can take one book keeper and give them the guidelines and they can receive all of their paper work and have this all figured out in 30 days, this is complete failure on the City to put a financial burden of a cleanup on the hazardous problem for the contractors that worked for them in an emergency situation and if someone does not pay their water bill, they go and turn off their water and if it was any other building or company they would have already shut them down and prosecuted them, so why doesn’t the City have the same standards like the law to dodge their bullets. Council Members Martin, Le and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Mr. King that is not about dodging the bills and he does understand his frustration and with the respect to the damages of Hurricane Harvey and the repairs unless the invoices line up with what FEMA and the Federal Government will authorize and they are not going to make the payment and what he is looking at is the invoices that were submitted have not been approved by not just the Department but along with Tetratch which is a consultant that they have retained in order to get the reimbursement, so if they were to make the payments and the invoices are deficient then the City of Houston is not going to be reimbursement and Members of Council questioned Mr. King at length.

Otis Myles, 5606 Yorkwood, 77016, (713)633-8067 appeared and presented information and stated that he is here because of Permits in his neighborhood and issuing Permits in a Deeded neighborhood and they are violating his Deed Restrictions and they are giving permits to people that are rebuilding houses and putting electricity in them and they do not have the permits to do that, he called the Permitting Center and they came out and sat in the truck and the guy did know that he lives two houses down and then he left and stated that there was no problem, he went into the house and it was stripped bare and they told him today that the Inspector 41 told him that they are not doing anything wrong or illegally, now if they are putting electricity in a house that they are remodeling he believes that they need a permit to put in the electricity, they have red tagged his house when he had to remodel for a little water and a beam and the City charged his neighbor when he put a porch on his houses and the people that are doing the remodeling seems to have friends in the Permitting Center, no one has given him a direct answer and they did call him this morning and told him that there is no violation and the other thing was that he was down here in November about grass being cut on Little York and they told him that they would cut the grass every 6 months and they finally cut it in January and it is August and is it about 3 feet high. Mayor Turner, Council Members Martin, Travis and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Council Member Davis thanked Mr. Myles for being the megaphone for District B and they will go and do a little more investigation on these 2 addresses that he provided and thanked him for providing photos and with the grass they will take it back to the Department and make sure they stay accountable about the cutting of the grass.

Dem Brooks, no address, (513)498-5661 appeared and stated that he is from Cincinnati and is with Teasdale Restoration and they were one of the Sub-Contractors that Mr. Rigs called to dry the City Hall Annex, he is the guy that dried the Parking Garage, provided climate control here at City Hall in the Server room, they had 3 bills that were submitted and he wanted to thank Ms. Howard because just recently she reached out to their office directly and asked for them to submit their bill directly to her because up to this point they submitted their bill to Mr. Rigs and then Mr. Rigs submitted to the other Sub-Contractor which submitted to Corporate Care and he knows Corporate Care very well, the owner and they spent a lot of time and he shares frustration along with Mr. Rigs and that they did the drying, they have not gotten paid, had great conversation with
Ms. Howard, he sent her his bill and his back up, sent the information 3 to 4 times and they travel around the Country for disasters and he knows the routine and he also knows that FEMA makes them jump through hoops and before they started this Corporate Care told them that there is a RFD provided to get started and the payment would be processed with everyone would be resolved within 72 hours of completion of the job, they did their job and submitted all of their paperwork and their bills are in line and he does not care on what Consulted that they used, they are at the bottom and they are the guy that did everything and they played by the rules. Mayor Turner, Council Members Martin, Travis, Castex-Tatum, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Brooks.

Michelle Ferrell, Haywood Dr., 77061, (281)387-9213 appeared and presented information and stated that she wanted to invite Council to their Anita B Event which will be on September 24th and they will be showcasing women owned type business that have launched here in the Greater Houston area and that have been successful and he would just like to highlight that the Stem Industries have less than 25% of women holding those positions and they can be in the forefront in trying to adjust that balance and this event will have over 80 different countries that will be here with 20 thousand attendees and she wanted to reach out to the Houston community and she was able to find sponsors and create a free event and she is standing also to show that she is committed in growing the Houston Community and the six women that are listed on the paper are awesome people. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council thanked her for coming and questioned Ms. Ferrell.

Pamela Sutphen, 7202 Galmont Dr., 77016, (281)226-0368 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Steve Williams, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Margaret Torres, 2627 Caroline, 77004, (346)801-7889 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

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. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Rosie Soto no address, no phone, appeared and stated that she is a Member of the East End Community and she is also a small business owner, she owns a small catering company and she is the Founder of a Single Grain of Rice which is Non-Profit that is designed to feed the homeless and the poor and she been feeding them for about 20 years and she started this Non-Profit right after Hurricane Harvey, she was one of the first Chef’s that sent out food to the rescue crews and other first responders, she wanted to address 2 neighborhood concern and there is a street light that been out for 6 weeks on the East side of Roberts Street, she has called 311 and no one has come out to repair it, her neighborhood has a lot of thefts as recorded by HPD and a social media platform called Nextdoor and she has donations destined for Hurricane Harvey victims that was stolen out of her backyard and her front porch, she would appreciate an increase in local law
enforcement presents and the second issue that she wanted to address is the conservation of 2, 200 year old trees that are located on Samson Street at the proposed construction site but there is no address, so she really cannot give them an address and these trees provide shelter to local wildlife and can she account on their attention to these matters. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Robin Harrison, 15101 Blue Ash Dr., Apt. 1302, 77090, (281)408-5505 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Daniel Fingold, no address, (832)209-6846 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Edna Douadi, 10902 Roark Rd., 77099, (713)412-4002 appeared and stated that this is the 5th time she and she is with Globe Electric and she wanted to say that she is upset and shocked that they were treated in the way they been treated, they have addressed for a year now about bids being taken away from them while they are Hire Houston First and compliance with the bids and no one has taken an interest on their concern and was made of a clown of last week and that they told her that it would be tagged last week by Council Member Le and Council Member Kubosh and that the Mayor did not even address her concern, she is the lowest vendor, do they still have the Hire Houston First Program, everyone is listening to her and ignoring her. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros and Kubosh absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Council Member Laster thanked Ms. Douadi for her presentation again and he has listen with rapt attention in the last several times that she has come and never knowing that she was in his District and he appreciates her in reaching out and they are more than welcoming and ready to sit down with her and explain what has been explained to them about her particular contract obligations and the opportunity on the contract and they will be reaching out to her tomorrow to set up an opportunity in a meeting and bring her up to speed on what they know because she asked his Office to respond that they are going to be responding as quickly as they can and show her where she is in the system and how she might be able to comply in future contracts.

Steve Rosenberg, 10902 Roark Rd., 77099, (281)933-0909 appeared and stated that he appreciates the opportunity to speak before them regarding this urgent matter, they feel that the contracts that they were previously awarded and then taken away from them, was injustice taken away from them, they have documented that and sent their information on how they derived the pricing and they fully explained in documentation which was sent with the bids and they hope that they can do something to recovering business which they have had for 6 years, they were doing the Controller Job, they were doing the lighting job, they work closely with McCain in order to give the best pricing.

Council Member Laster thanked Mr. Rosenberg in reaching out and having a business in District J and that his staff has been working with them in the last couple of days and they have been trying to gather all of the information possible and they are looking forward in bring them up to speed behind the scenes to help them understand.

Sarahy Garcia, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that she appreciates Council Member Cisneros engaging with Ms. Soto and in June they asked the Mayor to step up to lead and set up to fight to shut down the proposed concentration camp at 419 Emancipation and to eliminate ICE because it is the moral and justice thing they can do and she is truly disappointed in the action by
the Mayor and the non-action taken by this body and since then the Mayor has shifted this to Chief Pena for a man who did not sign up to be the fall guy for the Mayor and their office has actively worked to censor them as far as to issue vailed threats to herself and her group and she just wanted to refreshed their memories and asking for the Mayor to step up or step down and will they listen to them now. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

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

At 4:42 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 22, 2018, Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

At 8:32 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 22, 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.; Deidra Penny, Assistant City Attorney, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director present.

At 9:07 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and requested the City Secretary to call Item 1. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Le and Edwards absent.

1. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment of the following individuals to the **HOUSTON BARC FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for terms to expire December 31, 2020:

- **Position Six**
- **Position Twenty**
- **Position Twenty-Two**
- **Position Twenty-Three**
- **Position Twenty-Four**

  - ANDREA E. HELLYER
  - MELISSA CLARK
  - HOLLY BENSON
  - KATIE PRICHARD WADDLE
  - BRENDA HANZLO

Was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Le and Edwards absent. **MOTION 2018-0418 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner call the Members of the Houston Barc Foundation Board of Directors by name and their positions and stated they look forward in working with each of them.

At 9:10 a.m. Mayor Turner moved to the Mayor’s Report.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Turner stated that yesterday afternoon when he left City Council he went to attend the NCAA Reception Women’s Final Four site selection Committee, they were here all day and catching a flight yesterday evening heading to their other site in San Antonio and the NCAA Reception Women’s Final Four has never been in Houston and they are hoping to revise that, they are one of the eight finalist and they were asking the Committee to boldly choose Houston
and hopefully in 2021 or 2024 and they already know that the NCAA Reception Men Final Four is coming in 2023 and yesterday he attend the 2018 Graduate reception for Build Up Houston and in February while still recovering from Hurricane Harvey, 10 small business owners on this 7 month journey and the result of their participation in the City’s Program with new job creation, new contract to help take their businesses to the next level and he wanted to congratulate Cariecia Wright the Director of the Office of Business Opportunity because it is an excellent program and this program has been National recognized.

Mayor Turner further stated that there were hundreds of people who are Members of the Democratic National Committee will gather this week at the Parties Summer Meeting in Chicago and he wanted to commend Special Events and Houston First for laying out the lobby at the Chicago hotel and there is a reception for tomorrow evening that is being hosted by the City of Houston and as it gets closer for the decision to be made, the City of Houston is one of three Cities that is in the running to for the Conversation which he hopes for it because it would be good for the economy with the potential of bringing more than $200 million dollars for the City of Houston with 50,000 people coming to the City in the month of July which will be excellent for hotel, restaurants and just businesses in general.

Mayor Turner advised that Early Voting is now over for the Harris County Flood Control Bond Referendum and they do need to boost the turn out for this Referendum and the last day to vote is August the 25th.

Mayor Turner stated he is requesting that they keep the family members of Donald Perkins in Prayer along with District K and Council Member Castex-Tatum and her staff and Donald Perkins funeral will be this coming Saturday and last he wanted to give some time to Council Member Robinson and there was an AIA Architecture compensation in dealing with affordable housing and urban design and there were some award made and he thinks that this is a Fantastic Program and request Council Member Robinson to explain the Compensation.

Council Member Robinson stated that this was the first ever collaboration between the American Institute of Architects, the local Houston Chapter and the City of Houston with Affordable Housing and Urban Design Compensation and he would like celebrate what was a healthy response to the call for compensation which they had 2 elements which was the Urban Design compensation which was scaled in the Gulfton Neighborhood in Council Member Laster District J which that had a number of responds too and the winning team that is present here and requested them and them to come to the podium and listed the names of the other team members that are not present and Council Member Robinson also introduce a Members of the Local Chapter from the AIA and requested them to stand and in the Housing Competition which was the Affordable Housing he listed the names of the winners and the categories in which they won in.

At 9:28 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 4 through 48

ACCEPT WORK - NUMBERS 4 through 11
4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $4,991,894.15 and acceptance of work on contract with **LEM CONSTRUCTION CO., INC** for Willowbrook Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements - 2.76% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0418 ADOPTED**

5. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $1,602,676.54 and acceptance of work on contract with **LEM CONSTRUCTION CO., INC** for Greenridge Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements - 6.85% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT K - CASTEX-TATUM** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0419 ADOPTED**

8. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $761,664.99 and acceptance of work on contract with **PIPELINE VIDEO INSPECTION, LLC** for Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Television Inspection In Support of Rehabilitation - 4.70% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount - (4277-80) was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0421 ADOPTED**

10. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $446,983.82 and acceptance of work on contract with **T CONSTRUCTION, LLC** for Wastewater System/Substitute Service Support - Sherman St - 6.79% under the original contract amount - (WW5108-02) - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0422 ADOPTED**

11. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $537,354.66 and acceptance of work on contract with **NERIE CONSTRUCTION, LLC** for Wastewater System/Substitute Service Support - Braesmont Package 2 - 8.46% under the original contract amount - (WW5108-04) - **DISTRICT C – COHEN** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0423 ADOPTED**

**PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS** - NUMBER 14

14. **BROOKSIDE EQUIPMENT SALES, INC** for Purchase of Nineteen Utility Carts through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Houston-Galveston Area Council for Houston Public Works - $297,562.47 - Enterprise Fund- the City Secretary advised that Item 14 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.

**RESOLUTIONS** - NUMBER 16
16. RESOLUTION to enter into Interlocal Agreement with MONTGOMERY COUNTY in support of the County’s nomination of Huntsman International LLC as a Texas Enterprise Zone Project- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2018-0030 ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 19 through 48**

19. ORDINANCE finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of a portion of Hurfus Drive, from Dacoma Street to 20th Street, located in the Eureka Acres Subdivision, and being out of the John Flowers Survey, Abstract No. 269, Houston, Harris County, Texas; abandoning such portion to Karbach Partners, Ltd., Compass Bank-Houston, LJ Remainder, LLC, and Edmund Chan and So King Chan, the abutting owners, in consideration of their payment to the City of $578,632.00, and other good and valuable consideration - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0647 ADOPTED**

21. ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2013-0871 to increase the maximum contract amount; approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City and BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE for Tuberculosis Physician Services- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0648 ADOPTED**

31. ORDINANCE establishing the north and south sides of the 1900 block of Addison Road, within the City of Houston, Texas, as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0649 ADOPTED**

32. ORDINANCE establishing the south side of the 4600 Block of Park Drive, within the City of Houston, Texas, as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0650 ADOPTED**

33. ORDINANCE establishing the north side of the 2200 Block of Sheridan Street, within the City of Houston, Texas, as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0651 ADOPTED**

35. ORDINANCE awarding contract to TDINDUSTRIES, INC for Full-Service Heating, Ventilation and Air-Conditioning Services for the General Services Department; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - $530,163.00 - Maintenance Renewal and Replacement Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0652 ADOPTED**

37. ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2016-0808 to increase the maximum contract amount; approving and authorizing amendment No. 01 to an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES (“DSHS”) for Analytical Laboratory Testing Services for the Houston Public Works Department (DSHS
Contract No. 2017-049754-001)- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0653 ADOPTED**

39. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $93,675.56 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund as an additional appropriation to City-Wide Contract with THE FIERRO GROUP LTD. CO. d/b/a FENCEMASTER OF HOUSTON for Security Fencing and Gates for the Solid Waste Management Department Service Centers - DISTRICTS C - COHEN and H – CISNEROS- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0654 ADOPTED**

46. **ORDINANCE** No. 2018-0607, passed second reading August 15, 2018
ORDINANCE granting to CORESERV 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; and making certain findings related thereto - THIRD AND FINAL READING- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ADOPTED THIRD AND FINAL READING IN FULL**

47. **ORDINANCE** No. 2018-0608, passed second reading August 15, 2018
ORDINANCE granting to GOLDSTONE EXTERIOR SERVICES, LLC, a Texas Limited Liability Company, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions; and making certain findings related thereto - THIRD AND FINAL READING- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ADOPTED THIRD AND FINAL READING IN FULL**

48. **ORDINANCE** No. 2018-0609, passed second reading August 15, 2018
ORDINANCE granting to HAPPY KEMI, INC, a Texas Corporation, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions; and making certain findings related thereto - THIRD AND FINAL READING- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ADOPTED THIRD AND FINAL READING IN FULL**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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

2. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $12,784,038.99 and acceptance of work on contract with MAIN LANE INDUSTRIES, LTD. for Hughes Road Paving and Drainage from Beltway 8 to Sagecanyon - 2.79% over the revised contract amount - DISTRICT D – BOYKINS- was presented, moved
by Council Member Davis and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0424 ADOPTED**

3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $929,153.13 and acceptance of work on contract with NERIE CONSTRUCTION, LLC for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal (Force Main) - 1.85% over the original contract amount (4235-73) - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; F - LE and H – CISNEROS** - was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0425 ADOPTED**

6. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $672,444.30 and acceptance of work on contract with SEWER AND STORM MAINTENANCE, LLC for Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Television Inspection In Support of Rehabilitation 1.09% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount - (4277-73) - was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0426 ADOPTED**

7. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $901,322.71 and acceptance of work on contract with CLEANSERVE, INC for Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Television Inspection In Support of Rehabilitation - 1.04% under the original contract amount - (4277-78) - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; E - MARTIN; G - TRAVIS; H - CISNEROS; I - GALLEGOS and K - CASTEX-TATUM** - was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0427 ADOPTED**

9. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $747,462.46 and acceptance of work on contract with CSI CONSOLIDATED, LLC dba CLEAN SERVE, LLC for Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Television Inspection In Support of Rehabilitation - 1.37% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount - (4277-83) - was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0428 ADOPTED**

12. **TESTFORCE USA, INC** to furnish and deliver Radio Communications Test Equipment for Tuning of Active Portable and Mobile Radio Systems for Houston Information Technology Services $209,394.00 - Police Consolidated Construction Fund - was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0429 ADOPTED**

13. **BROWN AND ROOT INDUSTRIAL SERVICES, LLC** for approval of spending authority in an amount not to exceed $10,000,000.00 for On-Call Maintenance and Repair Services through the Interlocal Agreement with the Harris County Department of Education for Houston Public Works Enterprise Fund - was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0430**

15. **RESOLUTION** approving and authorizing nomination of TOSHIBA INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION to the Office of the Governor Economic Development and Tourism through
the Economic Development Bank as Texas State Enterprise Project; and repealing Resolution No. 2018-26 was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2018-0031 ADOPTED**

17. **RESOLUTION** accepting New Chapters 9 and 13 of the City of Houston Infrastructure Design Manual was presented and tagged by Council Members Stardig and Knox.

18. **ORDINANCE** amending Sections 103, 105, 106, 114 and 115 of that Volume of the City of Houston Construction Code known as the City of Houston Building Code relating to permit requirements for engineered grading; containing findings and other provisions related to the foregoing subject; providing for severability; providing an effective date was presented and tagged by Council Members Stardig, Knox and Edwards.

20. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Neighborhood Stabilization Program Developer Loan Agreement between the City of Houston and **MAYBERRY HOMES, INC.** to provide a $718,887.81 Performance-Based Loan to be funded with $201,563.65 of NSP-1 Funds and $517,324.16 of NSP-3 Funds for eligible costs to acquire land and develop four affordable single-family homes in NSP Target Areas in Houston, Texas was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0655 ADOPTED**

22. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing a “Section 559” Reimbursable Services Agreement between the City of Houston and **U. S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION** for the Houston Airport System; providing a maximum contract amount - $10,000,000.00 - Enterprise Fund **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and I – GALLEGOS** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0656 ADOPTED**

23. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $959,564.12 out of Airports Improvement Fund as an additional appropriation for Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **REYNOLDS, SMITH AND HILLS, INC** (Approved by Ordinance No. 2014-0522) for Phase III Construction Administration Services at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston (Project No. 651) - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0657 ADOPTED**

24. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $56,771,005.50 out of Airports Improvement Fund and awarding contract to **FLATIRON CONSTRUCTORS, INC** for Rehabilitation of Taxiway WA at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston (Project 901); 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 airfield safety controls allowance, electrical commissioning, testing, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Airports Improvement Fund - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0658 ADOPTED**

25. **ORDINANCE** relating to the retail gas utility rates of **CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP., d/b/a CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX** and as **CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS (“CENTERPOINT”)**; establishing interim rate that shall constitute the legal rates of
CENTERPOINT until changed as provided by law - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
ORDINANCE 2018-0659 ADOPTED

26. ORDINANCE accepting the individual proposals from INDIAN HARBOR INSURANCE COMPANY; LLOYD’S OF LONDON; and ENDURANCE AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY, which are participating in the Layered Cyber Insurance Program, and approving and authorizing the purchase of Cyber Insurance - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
ORDINANCE 2018-0660 ADOPTED

27. ORDINANCE relating to the fiscal affairs of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SIX, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (EASTSIDE ZONE); approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Zone - DISTRICTS E - MARTIN and I - GALLEGOS- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
ORDINANCE 2018-0661 ADOPTED

28. ORDINANCE relating to the fiscal affairs of the CITY PARK REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWELVE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (CITY PARK ZONE); approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Authority - DISTRICT C - COHEN- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
ORDINANCE 2018-0662 ADOPTED

29. ORDINANCE relating to the fiscal affairs of the LELAND WOODS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-TWO, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (LELAND WOODS ZONE); approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Authority on behalf of the Zone - DISTRICT B – DAVIS- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
ORDINANCE 2018-0663 ADOPTED

30. ORDINANCE relating to the fiscal affairs of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-SIX, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (SUNNYSIDE ZONE); approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Zone - DISTRICT D – BOYKINS- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
ORDINANCE 2018-0664 ADOPTED

34. ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2016-0131 to increase the maximum contract amount for an agreement for the purchase of Electronic Recyclable Material between the City of Houston and COMPUCYCLE, INC - $235,500.00 - General Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
ORDINANCE 2018-0665 ADOPTED

36. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing first amendment to agreement between the City and AXON ENTERPRISE, INC Formerly TASER INTERNATIONAL, INC (Approved by Ordinance No. 2013-0786), for Taser Devices, Accessories, Supplies and Repair Services for the Houston Police Department- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
ORDINANCE 2018-0666 ADOPTED

38. ORDINANCE declaring Parcel H87-1 surplus property; approving and authorizing Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas, Seller, and FREEPORT DEVELOPMENT, LLC, Buyer, for the sale of 42,504 square feet, being all of Lots 17 through
24, Block 220, Cloverleaf Addition, Fourth Section, being out of and a part of the S.C. Hiroms Survey, Abstract No. 33, Harris County, Texas, otherwise known as 0 Hillsboro, for $425,000.00 - Revenue **DISTRICT E – MARTIN** was presented, all voting aye, nays none.

**ORDINANCE 2018-0667 ADOPTED**

40. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $1,298,179.00 out of Solid Waste Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding construction contract to **TIMES CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Lead Remediation, Site Grading and Vegetation Clearing, installation of a concrete cover, and installation of stormwater quality features at the Former Holmes Road Incinerator Facility; 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 materials testing, and project management relating to construction of facilities financed by the Solid Waste Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0668 ADOPTED**

41. **ORDINANCE** authorizing transfer of $24,640.00 from NEWPP Expansion-SWIFT Fund to HPW-NEWPP Construction Fund and appropriating said sum out of HPW-NEWPP Construction Fund, appropriating $129,360.00 out of Water Authorities Capital Contrib-NEWPP Fund, and approving the expenditure of both sums as the third additional appropriation to agreement for Professional Services between the City of Houston and **HAWKINS DELAFIELD & WOOD LLP** (Approved by Ordinance 2014-1183, as amended); amending Ordinance 2014-1183 to increase the maximum contract amount- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0669 ADOPTED**

42. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $480,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF as an additional appropriation to Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **HATCH CHESTER, INC f/k/a CHESTER ENGINEERS, INC** for the FY2016 Local Drainage Project Negotiated Design Work Orders Project (Approved by Ordinance No. 2016-0429); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0670 ADOPTED**

43. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $1,800,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF as an additional appropriation to Construction Services Contract between the City of Houston and **T CONSTRUCTION, LLC** for the FY2014 Local Drainage Projects Construction Work Orders #2 (Approved by Ordinance No. 2014-0500); providing funding for CIP Cost 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. **ORDINANCE 2018-0671 ADOPTED**

44. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $1,908,600.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF as an additional appropriation to construction contract between the City of Houston and **DURWOOD GREENE CONSTRUCTION CO.** for the City-Wide Overlay Package #23 (Approved by **ORDINANCE No. 2017-0074**); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0672 ADOPTED**
45. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $3,550,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF, awarding contract to **RELIANCE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, L.P.** for FY2019 Drainage Rehab Work Orders #1; 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 construction management and inspection services and engineering and testing relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0673 ADOPTED**

**MATTERS HELD** - NUMBERS 49 and 50

49. **MOTION** by Council Member Cohen/Seconded by Council Member Davis to adopt recommendation from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $1,691,973.97 and acceptance of work on contract with **WEISINGER INCORPORATED** for New/ Replacement of Water Well and Well Collection Line at Sims Bayou - 10.47% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT K - CASTEX-TATUM**

**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS EDWARDS and DAVIS**

This was Item 7 on Agenda of August 15, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0431 ADOPTED**

50. **ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE X OF CHAPTER 26 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, HOUSTON, TEXAS,** relating to Booting in Parking Facilities

**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS LASTER and LE**

This was Item 12 on Agenda of August 15, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0674 ADOPTED**

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

Mayor Turner stated he was ending this meeting in the Remembrance of Donald Perkins.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 10:36 a.m. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox and Kubosh absent.

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

**MINUTES READ AND APPROVED**

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Pat J. Daniel, Assistant City Secretary