

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Wednesday, September 5, 2018

At 8:37 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, September 5, 2018 Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, 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. Council Member Steve Le absent on Personal Business.

At 9:09 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting into order and Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Cisneros for the Invocation and the Pledge and Council Member Cisneros invited Pastors Mundo and Estrada to offer the Invocation and Council Member Cisneros led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Members Stardig, Travis and Knox absent.

The Roll was Called. Council Members Stardig and Knox absent. Council Member Le absent on personal business.

Council Member Kubosh moved to delay the adoption of the balance of the minutes and seconded by Council Member Cohen, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Stardig and Knox absent.

**MOTION ADOPTED**

At 9:12 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.

After questions by Members of Council questioned Director Brown and Director Emo and after discussion, Council Member Martin moved to accept the monthly financial report and seconded by Council Member Boykins, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0446 ADOPTED**

At 9:19 a.m. Mayor Turner stated he would go to the Mayor's Report.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Turner stated that he was in West Houston last week on Wednesday night with Council Member Travis, the meeting was very well attended and he is amazed about people's spirits are upbeat and positive even when they are continuing to go through the recovery phase and then he was back in West Houston on Saturday night and he was visiting a number of people out there and he was walking up and down the streets and there are people that are not in their homes or there are people in their homes or people living on the second floor of their house until the first floor was ready and there are people still in the need for help and especially for Seniors because they been there for a long time and it is costly to them but overall it was a very positive meeting in West Houston.

Mayor Turner stated he wanted to be advised that they will have the first Townhall Meeting tonight about the measures that are being placed on the ballot, the Rebuild Houston and well as the Firefighters Petition and that will be tonight in District C in Council Member Cohen's District that will be starting at 6:30 p.m. and they will be discussing the Petition and the ramifications it will take on the City as a whole and it is very important information to get out there to the general public and the Firefighters Petition will add up to \$98 million dollars a year for the City's Budget and the question is how do they address that.

Furthermore, on Saturday they will be participating in the UNCF Walk and it would be their 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary in a walk for education, starting at 8:00 a.m. at the Thomas Bass Park and last year it had to be cancelled because of Hurricane Harvey.

Council Member Travis stated he wanted to thank the Mayor for his presence out at his District, it was much needed, as they can tell and many saw it in the newspaper with the picture in it and they really appreciated him for being out there.

At 9:26 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the Agenda.

### **CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 42**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS** - NUMBER 1

1. **RECOMMENDATION** from Chief of Police for approval of extension of Injury on Duty Leave (Salary Continuation) for **OFFICER EDGAR DEJESUS** from May 21, 2018 through August 18, 2018- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0447 ADOPTED**

#### **ACCEPT WORK** - NUMBERS 2 through 7

2. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of \$3,506,800.00 and acceptance of work on contract with **GADBERRY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC** for Brays Bayou TIGER #3 - White Oak Path: Downtown 10.0% over the original contract amount and within the approved 10.0% contingency - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0448 ADOPTED**
3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of \$2,518,502.00 and acceptance of work on contract with **GADBERRY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC** for Brays Bayou TIGER #6 - Trail Improvements (MLK-OST) 5.51% over the original contract amount and within the approved 10.0% contingency **DISTRICTS D - BOYKINS and I - GALLEGOS**- was presented, moved by Council Member

Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0449 ADOPTED**

4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of \$546,775.00 and acceptance of work on contract with **TIMES CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Glenshire Park - 0.88% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency **DISTRICT K - CASTEX-TATUM-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0450 ADOPTED**
5. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$9,699,161.56 and acceptance of work on contract with **JFT CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Southpark and Southcrest Area Drainage and Paving Improvements (Subproject 2) - 1.14% over the original contract amount - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0451 ADOPTED**
6. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$2,922,860.21 and acceptance of work on contract with **TRIPLE B SERVICES, L.L.P.** for Hollister Road Paving and Drainage from White Oak Bayou to West Gulf Bank - 3.91% over 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. Council Member Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0452 ADOPTED**
7. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$2,161,106.77 and acceptance of work on contract with **INDUSTRIAL TX CORP.** for FY2013 Storm Water Pump Station and Flood Warning System Improvements - 9.69% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0453 ADOPTED**

**PROPERTY** - NUMBERS 9 and 10

9. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of Clara Road, a/k/a Clara Street, from its northern terminus south  $\pm$  1448 feet to an unnamed road south, from Clara Road, a/k/a Clara Street, west to its terminus, and Crawford Road, a/k/a Crawford Street, from the northern property line of Lot 7, Block 4, south  $\pm$  217 feet, located in the Clara Heights Subdivision and Independence Gardens Addition, and being out of the W.C.R.R. Co. Survey, Abstract No. 1185, Harris County, Texas; abandoning such streets to **USA WASTE OF TEXAS LANDFILLS, INC**, the abutting owner, in consideration of its payment to the City of \$188,632.00, conveyance to the City of three right of way easements for construction of cul-de-sacs at the termini of Clara Road, a/k/a Clara Street, and Crawford Road, a/k/a Crawford Street, also located within the Independence Gardens Addition, and other good and valuable consideration - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG-** the City Secretary advised Item 9 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.
10. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works, reviewed and approved by the Joint Referral Committee, on request from Phillip Reid Matthews, II, Golder Associates, on

behalf of USA Waste of Texas Landfills, Inc, (James A. Wilson, Vice President), declining the acceptance of, rejecting, and refusing the dedication of Unnamed Road North, from Clara Road west to its terminus, located within Clara Heights Addition and Independence Gardens Addition, out of the Washington County Railroad Company Survey, A-1185, Parcel SY17-057 - **DISTRICT A - STARDIG**

**This item should only be considered after passage of Item 9 above-** the City Secretary advised Item 10 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.

### **PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS** - NUMBERS 11 and 13

**11. R & C DISTRIBUTORS dba BLENDER DIRECT** for Automotive Lubricants for Fleet Management Department - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$3,124,015.26 - Fleet Management Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0454 ADOPTED**

**13. APPROVE** spending authority in an amount not to exceed \$67,607.70 to purchase Tablets/Laptops, Accessories and a three year warranty through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance from **GOVCONNECTION, INC dba CONNECTION PUBLIC SECTOR SOLUTIONS, INC** for the Houston Health Department - Health Special Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0455 ADOPTED**

### **RESOLUTIONS** - NUMBER 15

**15. RESOLUTION** authorizing submission of Loan Application to the **TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD'S** Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **RESOLUTION 2018-0033 ADOPTED**

### **ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 16 through 42

**16. ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of: 1) Bettina Court, from Kimberley Lane north to Barryknoll Lane; 2) Strey Lane, from Kimberley Lane north to Barryknoll Lane; 3) Kimberley Lane, from Strey Lane west to the proposed cul-de-sac; 4) and a 20-foot-wide alley, from Strey Lane east to its terminus, all located in the Memorial City Subdivision, Section 3, out of the Isaac Bunker Survey, Abstract No. 121, Harris County, Texas; abandoning the streets and alley to **MNC MEMORIAL CITY APARTMENTS, L.P.**, the abutting owner, in consideration of its payment to the City of \$5,698,127.00 and conveyance to the City of two right-of-way easements for construction of a cul-de-sac at the proposed terminus of Kimberley Lane, also located within the Memorial City Subdivision, and other good and valuable consideration - **DISTRICT G – TRAVIS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0693 ADOPTED**

- 17. ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of a 10-foot-wide water line easement, located in the southern 1/2 tract of the Timer Trace Subdivision, Section 1, and being out of the Thomas Hoskins Survey, Abstract no. 342, Harris County, Texas; abandoning the easement to Cederpost Square, L. P., in consideration of its payment to the City of \$46,222.00 and other good and valuable consideration **DISTRICT A – STARDIG-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0694 ADOPTED**
- 18. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **TELOLOAPAN MEAT MARKET #8, INC**, to provide \$835,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant Funds (\$200,000.00 repayable loan and \$635,000.00 grant) for the purchase and installation of fixtures and equipment in a proposed grocery store to be constructed and leased at 5602 Lyons Avenue, Houston, Texas to carry out a CDBG Economic Development Activity that will make fresh affordable food and job opportunities available to low and moderate income residents of the Fifth Ward community - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS-** the City Secretary advised Item 18 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.
- 19. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing submission of an application to the **TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE** to request funding for the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery 2016 Flood Events (CDBG-DR16) in the amount of \$23,468,698.00 for a Housing Buyout Program; acceptance of the grant, if awarded- the City Secretary advised Item 19 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.
- 21. ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2014-0055, as amended, to increase the maximum contract amount of contract between the City of Houston and **FUNDACION LATINOAMERICANA DE ACCION SOCIAL, INC** for HIV Counseling, Testing and Referral Services - \$15,000.00 Grant Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0695 ADOPTED**
- 26. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$533,000.00 out of Building Inspection Fund; approving Purchase and Sale Agreement between **UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, Seller**, and the City of Houston, Purchaser, for acquisition of approximately 0.4426 acre of land locate at the vicinity of Washington Avenue and Goliad [WBS No. D-200001-0001-2-01; Parcel No. QY16-002] for use by the Houston Public Works Department's Permitting Center Parking - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS-** the City Secretary advised Item 26 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.
- 33. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing fifth amendment to the pay connexion service terms contract between the City and **JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-2018-0696 ADOPTED**
- 34. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing second amendment to the agreement for Credit Card Processing Services between the City of Houston and **WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.** and **WELLS FARGO MERCHANT SERVICES, LLC-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0697 ADOPTED**

- 39. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$59,546.68 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund to an Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Houston and the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for the Voluntary Utility Relocation Contributions on State Highway Improvement Projects from FM 525 from Lee Road to US 59; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS-** the City Secretary advised Item 39 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.
- 40. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$440,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF as an additional appropriation to Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **EJES INCORPORATED** for the FY2017 Local Drainage Project Work Order Design (Contract #3) (as Approved by Ordinance No. 2017-0351); 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. Council Member Knox absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0698 ADOPTED**
- 41. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$84,614.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation to the Construction Management and Inspection Services Contract between the City of Houston and **IDS ENGINEERING GROUP, INC** for the Almeda Sims Wastewater Treatment Plant and Sludge Processing Facility Improvements - Package #3 (Approved by Ordinance No. 2011-1211) - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0699 ADOPTED**
- 42. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,166,269.30 out of the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and \$7,874,963.04 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF, awarding contract to **MAIN LANE INDUSTRIES, LTD.** for Neighborhood Street Reconstruction Project Number 468; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for testing services, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water and Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF - **DISTRICTS D - BOYKINS and K - CASTEX-TATUM-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0700 ADOPTED**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

At 9:31 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

Robin Blinn, 2100 Memorial Dr., 77007, (832)413-6193 appeared and presented information and stated that he would like to thank the Mayor and the Mayor's Staff for helping to clarify TIRZ 13's involvement in a developer's failure to install an ADA compliant bus stop planned for the 2000 block of Washington Ave., and object to the TIRZ 13 spending to install the HAWK in the 2000

block of Washington where there are no retail business, he is at the point where he is demanding spot to cross the street is the vicinity of Silver where there are several, including Taco Deli, Gus's Fried Chicken, Platypus Brewing B&B butchers & Restaurant and a HAWK signal was included in the TIRZ 2018-2022 budget locating it between Silver and White Streets but that plan has been changed and the pedestrian crosswalk is now planned for a block farther West, between White and Henderson and he would assert that people will rarely walk an additional block in order to use a crosswalk and in fact, at present, he often crosses Washington in that vicinity with little or delay in his wheelchair. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Gallegos, Knox and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner let Mr. Blinn finish his comments and stated to him that he appreciates him for bring this to their attention, they are working on it and they will make it ADA compliant, they want to make it accessible and they are talking to all the parties that are involved and they are going to address it and address this very quickly and Members of Council questioned Mr. Blinn.

Randall Baxley, 4601 Beggs St., 77009, (713)494-1981 appeared and stated that he has heard the Mayor and his mother has said, "that tomorrow will be a better day" and his mother has always said that "everyone is somebody's baby" and the fathers, mothers, grandmothers, and grandfathers are asking that those on the Northside be treated as the baby of somebody and as equal members of the family. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Knox and Christmas absent.

Eugene Szymanski, 620 Graceland St., 77009, (785)727-9257 appeared and stated that he is research Geologist for Chevron and he has worked and lived in Houston since 2010 and he is a resident of Council Member Cisneros District and he here to speak about the lawlessness in and around Lindale Park in the Near Northside and last year he and his wife brought a house there and became residents there, knowing that it is a traditional family neighborhood that is in transition with all of the large lots, tree line streets and the friendly homeowners, there are still some elements that harass the good people in the neighborhood and circling the Lindale Park neighborhood have roads, major intersections and highway underpasses that openly have beggars, drug addicts, prostitutes, homelessness with some mentally ill and this behavior that is bad seems to be throughout the whole neighborhood and getting worse since they have become residents and in the past recent months, thieves outside of Lindale neighborhood have done smash and grab in the neighborhood, broken into vehicles, houses that are right behind the Metro Rail line and even people have approached him on his own property requesting money and the most recent incident was a shooting at Calavade and Fulton intersection which is a place for drug addicts, he does not want them to think he is heartless person, he does donate and volunteer to the Houston Food Bank, Star of Hope and others, he just wants help from the local Officials and he used to use the Metro Line to get to Downtown but after couple of odd encounters, he started to use his car to drive to work. Council Member Davis absent.

Mayor Turner allowed Mr. Szymanski finish his comment and Council Member Cisneros thanked him for coming today and advised Mr. Szymanski that he is right because her office has been getting calls reporting an increase in crime and it is not the first time when they rally to get the HPD to come and it does get better for a while and they are relocated to other hotspots in the City and it comes back and it is a cycle that they are stuck in and it underlines that is why we need more Police Officers.

Mayor Turner advised Mr. Szymanski that he totally agrees with him and Council Member Cisneros and he is working to help the homeless in placing them in temporary housing to help them and that they have 5200 Police Officers and we do need more, we need hundreds of more

Officers but they do have budget issues and what they focused in one area and then they move to another area and is still in Federal Court as the ACLU filed suit and Members of Council commented and questioned Mr. Szymanski at length.

Deborah Mann, no address, (832)289-6082 appeared and stated that Mr. Szymanski was quite eloquent but she was going to point on a personal face on the same topic, they have a problem with their public safety and public transit, that she use to take the bus long before it was cool, she would walk to the bus in the dark dodging pack of dogs and men offering her a ride and assure her that they are nice guys and waiting at the bus stops she was continually harassed for money and then the train came and she was happy and she felt it would be safer and it seemed safe to walk down the street from the train station about a mile she would whistled at by men, walking along side with hookers, she always had her pepper spray in her hand but that was no match when she was robbed at gun point by a masked man a few blocks from home, the Cavalcade Station area has become a hangout for people with time on their hands and she started to get off the station a stop earlier to feels a little safer, she has called Metro on a daily basis to tell them that she feels unsafe to get off at her preferred station which she preferred Cavalcade and on Tuesday she did see that there was a Police Officer there all day and she thought to herself that she made a difference from 2 weeks of calling and then she heard that someone had been shot at the intersection of Fulton and Cavalcade which kinda burst her personal bubble but beside that point using public transportation is dangerous. Council Members Davis, Martin and Kubosh absent.

Council Member Cisneros advised Ms. Mann that she appreciates her coming today and that they did have a conversation a few weeks ago and she did share her story with Tom Lambert that is with Metro and the first words out of his mouth is asking her if he had her number because he wanted to contact her and to really understand what her experience had been and with her being here underscores the seriousness on how the crimes on the street really affect the quality of life and public safety.

Mayor Turner advised Ms. Mann that he wanted her to know that he is sensitive with all of the issues that she had pointed out and that we do need more Police Officers for the entire City of Houston but the problem is that we are capped on the money we do have and he cannot say it enough that we do need more Police Officers and he would encourage everyone what is on the Ballet this year because if they add to the City's cost and add another \$98 million dollars on our cost on other stuff or things, it going to take away what is available for public safety and they do need more resources.

Members of Council commented and questioned Ms. Mann.

Council Member Laster moved to allow more than one person at the podium and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Martin, Gallegos and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2018-0456 ADOPTED**

Dr. Walter Pendleton, 1220 First St., Hempstead, TX, 77445, (832)651-4004 appeared and stated for Members of Council to view some of the events that they have scheduled, and he is related to the first Black Legislator of Texas the Reverend G.W. Wyatt who went in the Legislature after the Civil War and his picture embraces the State Corridor at the Capitol in Austin and they are here speaking on behalf of bridging the gap between bullying and they all know that bullying is a very powerful enemy that is everywhere it can go back as far as Cane and Able, it comes up even to this day and it is an issue and they came here for Council support that in October that they come together to present this in a way to come together as a whole as one to offset experience, both he and his wife have retired from NASA Scientist and they have been able to be part of some



world leading research for NASA and they thought they can use their efforts and their experiences in bridging the gap of the bullying and now she will speak on her behalf and he introduced the others that were present to speak on this event. Council Members Davis, Martin and Kubosh absent.

Dr. Alice Pendleton, 1220 First St., Hempstead, TX, 77445, (832)651-4004 appeared and stated that she is also one of the Founders of the G.W. Wyatt Congressional Ministerial Alliance and they are here to talk about bullying and as an educator and high school student because she had been encountered with bullying herself and even G.W. Wyatt went through bullying himself in his time and they are here to help the students, to handle this bullying because it is so important that students come together and not bully one another, it is important that they know that they can go to someone, it is important to have counseling and for them to talk to each other and to for them to know that bullying is not right. Council Members Davis, Martin, Gallegos and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner thanked them both for being present.

Robert Santee, 1914 Quail Valley, Missouri, TX, 77459, (713)297-1738 appeared and stated that he is here on behalf of the G.W. Wyatt Congressional Ministerial Alliance and he is the President of G.W. Wyatt Congressional Ministerial Alliance and he wanted to extend his hand to the Mayor and Council Members that they would truly appreciate it if they would attend this event and he presented the dates and he himself have come up from Acres Homes and this would be held at 1620 Dolly Wright Street, they have fought hard for the kids and they appreciate the Council for given them the opportunity to speak on this today, it is a good program and they need it, so many kids are getting mistreated out there and for himself as an x-former Astro, he would like to be able to help these kids and Calvin Murphey is going to be part of it and he wanted to thank Council Members Knox and Kubosh for participating in this event and he appreciates the Mayor on the things that he is doing and they would truly like to have him there it starts October 25 -28, 2018. Council Members Davis, Martin, Gallegos and Kubosh absent.

Tracy Thompson, 22535 Spring Link Ct., Spring, TX, 77373, (281)889-4357 appeared and stated that she is going to piggy back on the event that they are going to have in October that is in Acres Homes and it is called Bridging the Gaps and the reason they picked that title they just do not want to focus on the kids that are being bullied, they want to focus on the kids that are doing the bullying, they have to go back and finger out why they are doing the bullying, the 4 day event will be breakout sessions, they will have a fashion show to help kids with self-esteem, they will have playing for a cause and on Thursday they are going to have a mix and mingle and they are going to have some teachers come out and counselor come out and from her understanding is that the teachers and the Counselor do not have the resources from the school to take time out to focus on the kids that are being bullied and kids that are the bullying and they want to get their input in hopes of taking that information in and bring it back here to try to get more resources for the school and she is the Founder of CICA Inc. which is a non-profit organization and she wanted to thanked them and she hopes to see them out there in October. Council Members Martin and Kubosh absent.

Members of Council commented Ms. Thompson.

Cedric Washington, 3013 Rosedale St. #3, 77004, (832)715-8492 appeared and presented information and stated that there was something that he wanted to discuss before them this morning and it deals with affordable housing and he knows that this issue has come up before them in past times and his concern for the City, just like Police and the safety and particularly he is concerning the elderly and there is an elderly community that is spread out over Houston and sometimes for examples Law enforcements cannot get to them when and to the truth is that we

all are aging, he has worked with Saint John's Downtown for 6 in half years in terms of feeding the needled, helping with their food drive, a book drive for the children and he works with disadvantage families and in some of the communities he has to see that grandparents have to step in and have to help out and sometimes their areas and housing are not the best situation but it just not that, look at what happen last year in terms of Hurricane Harvey, rescue missions can be a challenge when they have forks in wheelchairs, crutches and that type of thing and what he is suggesting to the City that they look at the shipping containers simply because they are affordable, they are durable, they can stand the weather and he thinks in a lot of these areas and they can build community houses with them and it is really important to take a look at that, the cost would not be as much in terms of repair damages which then he presented the examples for the Council to look at, there could be shelter for the elderly can use that and to kind of do what the City of Detroit did but he does not think anyone can do it better then Houston, we have the time, the land, the resources, he researched this for 9 years. Council Members Boykins, Martin and Travis absent.

Andrew Evans, 2402 Napoleon St., 77004, (832)495-6323 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin and Travis absent.

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 Boykins, Martin and Travis absent.

Nia Colbert, 9520 Wilcrest Dr., 77099, (346)570-2863 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin and Travis absent.

Margret Torres, No Address, (346)801-7889, had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin and Travis absent.

Kennedy Payne, 2307 Linder St., 77026, (832)971-7978 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin and Travis absent.

Kevin Hoffman, 516 Avenue of Oaks, 77009, (713)305-5468 appeared and stated he wanted to thanked them for the lovely discussion on Civility Ordinance and homeless issue along the light rail line and around the Near Northside when the Civility Ordinance after the death of Jose Flores, the Council and the Mayor had said that they would work together to come up with a more long range solution and after listening to today discussion, it appears that they have not really thought much about that and he would encourage them to see what other solutions are out there and couple of the Council Members have come up with working with all of the Law Enforcements in Houston and surrounding areas and we need to help them understand the importance of working with the City and there have been some issues in the Cavalcade station and the issue was one Law Enforcement agency was advising the people that was calling in about the issues over there that they need to contact this Law Enforcement and then that Law Enforcement would says it is this law enforcement and the call never got addressed and over the weekend there was a shooting at that station and since that shooting has happen they do see Metro Police Officers all around the red line, everyday since the shooting, why did it have to wait until that time to see Metro Police Officers at the line and one day in the same area he was driving and when he was at a stop he saw a drug deal go down and a HPD Officer also saw the exchanged and he did nothing and like Council Member Boykins stated that there are other Ordinances that can be enforced. Council Members Boykins, Martin and Travis absent.

Members of Council commented and questioned Mr. Hoffman.

Travon Neal, no address, (662)270-2159 appeared and stated that he moved here in 1999 and worked his way up, he went off shore, he had a massive stroke in 2011 and he came back 5 months ago, residing in a car and doing non-profit work, he is homeless but yet he gets up and goes to work, there are so many hindrances and complications of dealing with this, he did go to the beacon and he started out going to the homeless shelter but the doors shut and he is trying to do all that he can do and he did hear in his mechanics office, that he can come on a Tuesday and fill out something, he needs help but he does not want a handout and has overcome obstacles. Council Members Boykins and Travis absent.

Mayor Turner advised Mr. Neal that he was reassessed for permanent supportive Housing on July 30<sup>th</sup> of this year and they referred him to the VA Voss Supportive Housing and he knows that the Mayor's Office has reached out to the VA to try to get an update on him and Sean which is standing behind him and he is here to assist him in getting the support that he needs.

Marion Scott, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins and Travis absent.

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 Boykins and Travis absent.

Randy King, no address, (281)690-6046 appeared and stated that he was here a year ago cleaning up the Annex Parking lot and he knows that they remember him from 2 weeks ago and they accused of him of being incompetent and saying he did not have the right bill and he went meeting last Wednesday and they finally gave him the criteria for a bill one year later and the Sub-Contractors has to change their bill completely and not only did they not pay him for a full year, now they have not changed their bill up and now they have less money waiting for a full year to change their bill and it is funny at the last meeting that Greg Travis was accusing him of being incompetent and shows up with a bill that is outdated and accused him of these things but that bill was revised 4 months ago and they still have not gotten this bill in 4 months and not to say a year. Council Members Travis and Castex-Tatum absent.

Mayor Turner stated that they are working on it and he has asked them to get with Corporate Care.

**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 11:01 a.m. The City Secretary advised that the Public Session was completed, Mayor Turner recognized that they would proceed with Agenda Items.

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

- 8. RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$2,540,794.66 and acceptance of work on contract with **FUSED INDUSTRIES, LLC** for 24-Inch Water Line Replacement along W. Airport Blvd. from Fondren Road to Braewick Drive 1.98% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT K - CASTEX-TATUM** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member

Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Travis absent. **MOTION 2018-0457 ADOPTED**

**12. RUSH TRUCK CENTERS OF TEXAS, LP** - \$2,645,498.39 and **MUSTANG MACHINERY COMPANY, LTD dba MUSTANG CAT** - \$1,162,900.00 for Caterpillar Engine Replacement Parts and Repair Services for Fleet Management Department - 3 Years with two one-year options \$3,808,398.39 - Fleet Management Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Travis absent. **MOTION 2018-0458 ADOPTED**

**14. DOGGETT HEAVY MACHINERY** - \$78,500.00, **DOGGETT HEAVY MACHINERY SERVICES, LLC** - \$533,255.00 and **ASSOCIATED SUPPLY COMPANY** - \$915,202.20 for purchase of Earth Moving Equipment through the Interlocal Agreement for cooperative purchasing and the Houston-Galveston Area Council for the Department of Fleet Management on behalf of Houston Public Works - \$1,526,957.20 - Enterprise and Other Funds- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis and Council Member Edwards tagged Item 14. Council Member Boykins and Tavis absent.

**NOTE:** Council Member Edwards later released her tag on Item 14.

**20. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing application for grant assistance to the **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (“CDC”)** for the Houston Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention and Surveillance Program); authorizing the Director of the City of Houston Health Department (“Director”) to accept the grant award from CDC for the Grant; declaring the City’s eligibility for such Grant; authorizing the Director to expend the grant funds, as awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the Grant- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0701 ADOPTED**

**22. ORDINANCE** authorizing submission of an electronic application for grant assistance to the **STATE OF TEXAS THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR’S CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION** to fund the Body Worn Camera Program; declaring the City’s Eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Chief of the Houston Police Department to act as the City’s representative in the application process, to accept the grant and expend the grant funds as awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the Program- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0702 ADOPTED**

**23. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$400,000.00 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund as an additional appropriation for contract between the City of Houston and **ENFORCEMENT VIDEO, LLC d/b/a WATCHGUARD VIDEO** (Approved by Ordinance No. 2017-0037) for purchase of in-car video cameras, software, hardware and services for the Houston Police Department- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0703 ADOPTED**

**24. ORDINANCE** amending Section 11(b) of City of Houston Ordinance No. 96-86; to increase the maximum number of officers in the Police Department of the City of Houston, Texas that can be assigned hazardous duty assignment pay for the Dive Team from fifteen to twenty;

providing a repealer; providing for severability- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
**ORDINANCE 2018-0704 ADOPTED**

25. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$300,000.00 out of Library Special Revenue Fund for Houston Public Library's establishment of the Mayor's Office of Adult Literacy and Administration of Adult Literacy Services- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0705 ADOPTED**
27. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to Lease Agreement between **MIDTOWN CENTRAL SQUARE, LLC.**, as landlord, and the City of Houston, Texas, as tenant, for additional Office Space at the property located at 2100 Travis Street, Houston, Texas, for use by the Housing and Community Development Department and its contractors working on disaster recovery activities - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0706 ADOPTED**
28. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **MEMORIAL-HEIGHTS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FIVE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MEMORIAL HEIGHTS ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for Authority and the Fiscal Years 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Projects Budget for the Zone **DISTRICTS C - COHEN and H – CISNEROS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0707 ADOPTED**
29. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **OLD SIXTH WARD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER THIRTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (OLD SIXTH WARD ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Projects Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS-** was presented and tagged by Council Members Kubosh and Stardig.
30. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of **HARDY/NEAR NORTHSIDE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-ONE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (HARDY/NEAR NORTHSIDE ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Plan Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0708 ADOPTED**
31. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of **HIRAM CLARKE/FORT BEND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-FIVE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (HIRAM CLARKE/FORT BEND ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Plan Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICT K - CASTEX-TATUM-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0709 ADOPTED**
32. **ORDINANCE** amending contract between the City of Houston and **BAYLOR COLLEGE of MEDICINE** for Professional Staffing Services for the Houston Fire Department Base Station to extend the term to March 31, 2019 and amending Ordinance No. 2013-1001, as amended

by Ordinance 2016-0948 to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and Baylor College of Medicine - \$1,575,000.00 - General Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0710 ADOPTED**

**35. ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 3.7246 acres of land to **WEST HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 2**, for inclusion in its district- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0711 ADOPTED**

**36. ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 611.81 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 489**, for inclusion in its district- was presented and tagged by Council Member Stardig. Council Member Boykins absent.

**37. ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 0.6267 acre of land to **FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 58**, for inclusion in its district- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0712 ADOPTED**

**38. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and **HARRIS COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT** for Drainage and Flood Control Study of Brick House Gully, Harris County Flood Control Unit No. E115-00-00 (Approved by Ordinance No. 2014-0350) - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0713 ADOPTED**

#### **NON CONSENT AGENDA** - NUMBER 43

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

**43. MOTION** to set a date not less than seven days from September 5, 2018, to receive nominations for Positions 6 and 7 of the **HOUSTON LAND BANK** for terms to expire two years from appointment date- was presented, Council Member Cohen moved to set the date of 9/12/18 to received nominations for Positions 6 and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0459 ADOPTED**

#### **MATTERS HELD** - NUMBER 44

**44. ORDINANCE** approving Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas and **HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS**, for co-ownership of approximately 1.602 acres tract of land located at 6941 Avenue S and owned by the County, to be used to connect the County's Yolanda Black Navarro Buffalo Bend Nature Park and the City's Hidalgo Park; appropriating \$150,000.00 out of Park and Recreation Dedication Fund to be paid to County for a 20% interest in the land for use by the Houston Parks and Recreation Department - **DISTRICT I - GALLEGOS**

**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARDS**

This was Item 20 on Agenda of August 29, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
**ORDINANCE 2018-0714 ADOPTED**

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

Council Member Edwards released her tag on Item 14.

**14. DOGETT HEAVY MACHINERY** - \$78,500.00, **DOGETT HEAVY MACHINERY SERVICES, LLC** - \$533,255.00 and **ASSOCIATED SUPPLY COMPANY** - \$915,202.20 for purchase of Earth Moving Equipment through the Interlocal Agreement for cooperative purchasing and the Houston-Galveston Area Council for the Department of Fleet Management on behalf of Houston Public Works - \$1,526,957.20 - Enterprise and Other Funds- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Travis and Laster absent.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 12:05 p.m. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Edwards and Christie 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