A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday October 2, 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 1:44 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and stated they would start with the presentations. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster, Castex-Tatum, Knox, Robinson, Edwards and Christie absent. NO QUORUM

Mayor Turner stated that Graciela “Gracie” Saenz is the recipient of the 2018 Mayor’s Hispanic Heritage Lifetime Achievement Award. She is a woman of many talents ahead of her time, a leader with a formidable heart, and has dedicated her lifetime preserving and making contributions for the betterment of the Latino community and she was formerly with law partner Elizabeth Burkhardt and the founding member of the Saenz & Burkhardt PLLC law firm and she has been in law practice for over 32 years and her practice currently focuses on government relations, business, commercial and international transactions, she is very involved in leadership positions throughout the community after serving on the Houston City Council from 1992-1997 and her experience as a former council member and Mayor Pro-Tem has assisted in leveraging her knowledge of local city politics and essential political networks to best serve her clients’ goals, her experience as chair of the Houston International Initiatives and the chair of the NAFTA Committee of the Houston City Council have also served her in continuing her close ties to businesses throughout Latin America and her experience also includes representing a broad range of government and corporate clients in corporate, international, energy and tourism, she has also helped various nonprofit organizations get establish and assist in developing their missions, strategies, organizational structures and governing documents and throughout her career, Gracie Saenz has received many accolades such as the Hispanic Woman of the Year Award, Hispanic Women in Leadership-Hall of Fame, Professional Women in Fellowship Award, Greater Houston Women’s Chamber of Commerce- Women on the Move and La Rosa Family Services Gala Honoree, among several others and the City of Houston commends Graciela “Gracie” Saenz for her dedicated time and resources that has impacted and inspired so many, and her outstanding leadership in the Hispanic community and wishes her continuous success in all her future endeavors and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby honor Graciela “Gracie” Saenz with the Mayor’s Hispanic Heritage Lifetime Achievement Award for the City of Houston and proclaim October 2, 2018, as Graciela “Gracie” Saenz Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le and Knox absent.

Council Member Cisneros stated that Dr. Quianta Moore received a Bachelor of Arts in sociology from Cornell University, a juris doctor from the University of Houston Law Center and a medical degree from Baylor College of Medicine and she has spent years developing research drive policies to advance the health of children, using mixed methodologies including community-based participatory research and surveys to gain insight into the health needs of communities and to develop tailored health policy recommendations and as a Child Health Policy Fellow at the Baker Institute for Public Policy, Dr. Moore has helped funders and community stakeholders develop strategies to support an equitable future for children and their communities, most recent work involved identifying and making policy recommendations to improve early childhood development, which were disseminated nationally and locally, after Hurricane Harvey, in partnership with the
Mayor’s Office, UNICEF and First3Years and she led the efforts to provide socio-emotional support trainings for families and their very young children, this work resulted in over 650 families being served, and an increased parental awareness on how to recognize and prevent Harvey-related trauma and Dr. Moore has partnered with the City of Houston Health Department and Harris County to provide early childhood development parenting classes in WIC centers in the greater Houston area and conducted a comprehensive needs assessment with Houston Independent School District to identify the challenges young people are faced with, that prevent them from achieving academic success, the survey results have been used by the District, the Mayor’s Office and many other stakeholders to improve the lives of children within Houston and on October 2, 2018, Dr. Moore will be honored for her work, leadership and advocacy to ensuring that every child has the opportunity for a bright and prosperous future and the City of Houston commends and appreciates Dr. Quianta Moore on her accomplishments and extends best wishes on all future endeavors and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed October 2, 2018, as Dr. Quianta Moore Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Boykins, Travis and Knox absent.

Council Member Gallegos stated that hundreds of nomadic tribes have lived, hunted, farmed and resided in the Houston area and along the Gulf of Mexico’s coastal southern plains regions and Approximately 60 to 110 million people with a native Amerindian population existed 500 years ago across the Americas. Indigenous people have lived upon this land prior to European settlement and we value the progress society has accomplished through Indigenous people’s knowledge, labor, technology, science, philosophy, arts and deep culture and the Dimond Knoll site was discovered in 1996 in northwestern Harris County. Archaeologists claimed it as one of the oldest digs found in North America, dating from 10,000 to 14,000 years ago. These stone age human remains found with fragments of bison teeth, ceramics and hunting darts became the largest excavation into an Early Archaic Age acknowledging Paleo-Indian occupation in southeast Texas and on October 8, 2018, Indigenous People’s Day will be observed in recognition of those numerous contributions that indigenous people have made to the United States. The City of Houston commends all involved in this worthwhile endeavor and extends best wishes for a successful observance of Indigenous People’s Day and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed October 8, 2018, as Indigenous People’s Day in Houston, Texas. Council Member Knox absent.

Council Member Cohen stated that the Houston Dynamo is present, they are present because of them winning the U.S. Open Cup Final and as the Members of the Dynamo Team come to the podium, they were met with applause and a standing ovation.

Mayor Turner stated that this is another exciting day at the City Hall and he wanted to ask Chris Canetti the Dynamo Team President, the Team Captain, DaMarcus Beasley and the Head Coach, Wilmer Cabrera to the podium and requested them to also bring the Players and the Trophy.

Mayor Turner stated that this is an exciting time in the City of Houston and it is a City of Champions and the Dynamo demonstrated that the other night winning the U.S. Cup and they are so very proud and this City is on fire, everytime the City needs an uplift, somebody steps up and this year they have stepped up and they just simply could not thank them enough and they wanted the Dynamos to come to say thank you in person for what they have done, what they continue to do, they certainly want to encourage all of Houston to continue to be supportive by filling the seats at the BBVA Stadium and we want to win and so we want to be supportive because this is a City of Champions, the Houston Dynamo U.S. Cup Champion, a major League soccer club that has won 2 MSL Cups and 4 Conference Championships in the first 12 seasoning and the Houston Dynamo have qualified to represent the City of Houston and the United States in International Competition 6 times, the Houston Dynamo Team is comprised of outstanding athletes that form an
unstoppable team and he listed off the Members of the Team and the Team is led by a talented and dedicated coaching and support staff, on September 26, 2018 the Houston Dynamo became the Champion of American Soccer by defeating the Philadelphia Union 3-0 at the BBVA Compass Stadium in the 2018 U.S. Open Cup Final, capturing the first U.S. Open Cup Title in their Club illustrious history and October 2, 2018 the Houston Dynamo will be honored at the 2018 U.S. Open Cup Champion and the City of Houston commends and congratulates the Houston Dynamo on their triumphant accomplishments and unwavering display of teamwork through great athleticism and resiliency and extends best wishes on their continue success and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed October 2, 2018 has Houston Dynamo in winning the U.S. Open Cup Final Day in Houston, Texas.

Members of Council thanked them and commented to Members of the Dynamo Team.

At 3:02 p.m. The Roll was Called.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Christie for the Invocation and Pledge and he referred to Council Member Travis for the Invocation and Council Member Christie led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Members Davis and Martin absent.

Council Member Cohen moved to adopt the Minutes of June 12-13, 2018 and delay the balance and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Martin absent. MOTION ADOPTED

Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

David Gamboa, 5818 S.W. Freeway, 77057, (210)343-0915 appeared and stated that he works for a Non-Profit called Elijah Rising and they do work in Houston to end sex trafficking through Prayer, awareness, intervention, restoration and today he would like to talk about the robot brothel that was proposed to come to the City of Houston, when they first heard about it seemed a little foolish to them and they began researching and after that their concerns grew how this could impact the illegal sex trafficking so they wrote a blog and put out a petition and today they have over 13,000 signatures of people expressing their concerns and reason why they do not want it in this City and he wanted to share a few of their reasons for why they do not want these type of businesses in this City, some people take the position that sex brothels can in some way be therapeutic for men and they disagree and take the position that sex brothels will ultimately harm men by de-humanizing sex and women, there is a study done by the British Medical Journal on sexual and reproductive health in 2017 and they found no evidence that sexual robot have any health benefits and no evidence that sex robots could help reduce could help reduce the spread of sexually transmitted infections or curb sex trafficking, it is a parallel to prostitution that allows men to rehearse purchasing sex and the third point is that it is bad for women because the study interviewed 800 women in prostitution in 9 different Countries and they found that 61% of those women have experience rape and 73% have been violently assault and that what tells them that the commercial sex industry is violent in nature, robot brothels will allow spaces for potential sex buyers to enact sexually abusive fantasies the marketing Director for one of these doll manufacturing companies called that she see it as a way for men to fulfill their fantasies by using these robots. Council Members Davis, Martin and Edwards absent.

Mayor Turner had to remind the audience about the Rules of Council because during this session, they can wave their hands if they agree or stand for support, they do not allow applause in this portion of the meeting.

Members of Council questioned and commented to Mr. Gamboa.
Pastor Vega, 1907 Creekside Park Dr., 77089, (832) 425-8518 appeared and stated that he is with Elijah Rising Ministry and he is here to speak about the Robot Brothels that are being presented to this City and they trust the Council Members to stand in the front end of the lines that guarding the City with Ordinances that would block such damaging results to Houstonians, the question is that they have to ask themselves is why they would target Houston, why do they think that they can come into this City and bring such a business and he believes that it is because we are the leaders in Texas and we set the example to the United States and bring a business like this will destroy homes and families and will cause community uproar in the City and as a Pastor they stand in the front lines with the Council Leaders and a business like this would continue to open up doors for sexual desires and would cause confusion and destruction to the younger generations and a robotic brothel does not just defile men and women but it goes against the word of God and if they believe that God will just sit back and stay silent, they are sadly mistaken and for them to know this that the word of God is truth and will fulfilled God does not hate people, he hates people that sin and he is requesting Council Men and Council Women to start blocking sin from entering this City. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Martin absent.

Allaudin Abdulla, 2101 City West, 77024, (281)745-4302 appeared and stated that he is the Founder of Love People and their mission is to reduce the demand for human trafficking and he knows that the Robot Brothels are a hot topic and he wanted to thank the Council for the strong quick stance that came out last week when this news broke and those direct words this is not the kind of business they want in this City and then you need to ask yourselves, why are people interested in this and sex trafficking is a heart issue and they are about reaching the heart of the demand and they say that they want to reduce the demand, what draws a man to want to rent a robot or what draws a man who wants to purchase a human being and they want to reach the hearts of men to honor, respect, protect women and not purchase them and he loves the fact Council Member Travis stated that he has cameras ready to go but his question is what is he waiting for and he knows that the Mayor and Council Members are working on a plan and he knows that it is coming to Council tomorrow and he encourages them to give a robust resolution, last week it was robots and next week it could virtually be reality, they have to create Ordinances that can be sent in the future and take care of all that so they are not back here in a month or 6 months to a year and he encourages them to look at Phoenix Sexually Oriented Business App, they called out live sex businesses, they need to render these types of businesses illegal and his last point is when they come down on regulations, they do not need to regulate the girls, they need to regulate the business owners and they need to punish the owners because they are making a lot of money off of these women, instead of hundreds of dollar fines let’s make it six digit fines, lets hit them hard in their wallets. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Martin absent.

Council Member Travis thanked Mr. Abdulla for calling him out on the cameras and he wants to talk to him afterward and let them do this together because he is on his side.

Tex Christopher, 5711 Sugarhill, Apt. No.112, 77057, appeared and stated that he is here to honor God, to his Country, to honor his State and he is here to honor his City, he is the gentlemen that introduced House Bill 2266 to the 85th Legislature which is a Human Trafficking Prevention Act of Texas and he will be back in the 86 Legislature from January 21 to June 3rd to go ahead and do it again, he is very passionate about this issue and Council Members know him and he wanted to be here today to celebrate because today is an exciting day because today is the day that they are not going to tell the world, Houston we have a problem but today is the day that they can say don’t mess with Texas and quoted from the Bible in the Ephesians 531, these are sad times that we live in and it is important that we come together and we can take the stand and be united and
he is so proud that Members of Council are with them and supports them and he wants to be in the fight with them and if there is anything that he can do to help them, to let him know because he thinks this is immoral and anything that has to be done in the dark is wrong and he looks forward in working together to make Houston the very best. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent.

Members of Council commented and questioned Mr. Christopher.

Virgina Mireles, 1300 Gemini St., 77058, (832)660-3767 appeared and stated that after hours of being attacked on social media, being called ignorant or uneducated, just a simple woman that does not have clue about sexual behavior, she is here and she must be very ignorant to stand here in front of the whole Council, first of all she stands as a Christian, she is here today representing her neighbors, representing her fellow women but most of all she is representing her children, she is entitled to say her freedom of speech and she is entitled to say exactly how she feels and the many issues to her City has when it comes to sexual business and it is very important and to put this issue in front of each one of them on how each one of these business are created to degrade women and when she was created by her Father of God and quoted from Genesis 2,23 and as a woman she is horrified and worried to see where this society is taking them and she is a mother that has strong family values, who stands for the best interest of their future and that future is their children and she is entitled to know when brothels became legal in Texas, the word brothel insults her and the word brothel should not represent any business in this City. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Knox and Christie absent.

Members of Council commented and questioned Ms. Mireles.

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

Johnson Varughese, 702 North Sam Houston Parkway East, 77060, (281)948-4001 appeared and stated that he represents a Hotel in the Greenspoint area, for over 18 months they have actually been dealing with the City of Houston water and with their latest bill accrued a total of over $100,000.00 that they owe the City of Houston, in the past 18 months they have requested that their meter to be changed and that they come to an agreement about an adjustment and for the past year request a Water Adjustment Board Hearing to hear their case and to resolve this issue he brought to Council here today and also to the Mayor’s Office because they do not know where else to turn to get a resolution because their water bill has been extremely high for more than 18 months. Council Members Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster, Knox, Kubosh and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner asked Mr. Varughese if this is a business and he advised that this is a business was brought it to the City’s attention in April of 2017 and at the time the monthly average was from an average of $4,000.00 up to an average of $6,000.00 while their occupancy had not been changed and when they were at full occupancy their bill actually has fluctuated the same as when they are 50% occupancy and Mayor Turner advised him that what Houston Public Works is showing that this account it pending a review by the Water Adjustment Board which is the third and final appeal and options by the City of Houston and the customer is disputing the hearing examiner’s decision to uphold the administrative review outcome and Mr. Varughese told them that they had their first hearing in September 2017 and they requested the Water Board review in October 2017 and Mayor Turner stated to him to let him take a look at it because he only has this before him and he asked him to get with Monica Vasquez, she is with Houston Public Works and for to take a
look at it because it is difficult for them to make an assessment when he has very little in front of him.

Charlene Nimmons, no address, (347)791-1175 appeared and stated that she has a Non-Profit Organization called Public Housing Communities and their headquarters is in New York and last year they registered to do business in the State of Texas, they planned their conference which is going to be this week and they started to hear that the Hearing and Economic Opportunity, they know that the City of Houston has funding’s that has come in and they just wanted to put some light on how a lot of their funding’s comes to their Cities and to their States and many times the under server does get access and they are proud of themselves on looking at Federal Funding and how it can impact the lives of individuals that live in Public Housing, Voucher Holders and so forth and these regulations that come from the Government have stipulations that are attached to that like Section 3, it is not just about the Housing Authority but it is really about how do they take and utilize the funding to have a significant impact, a particular fund that they have is how do they do better for those who do not have access, there are ways that they cannot only do job but also do training and also contracts and they also thinking about teaching individuals how to own their own business and sometimes they overlook at some of the positive impact that they have with just sitting in at workshops and letting people know that these opportunities are available which that is a lot of what they do. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Christie absent.

Jesus Medel, 314 Cosmos, 77009, (713)575-7080 appeared and presented information and stated in his view in the matter of the operation of that in the Houston Art Alliance have conducted in the past years has bordered with criminal acts and he is here to reiterate for the voice of Latinos Cultural Administration, organizations in regards to the deplorable funding that they have gotten in the past years from the Houston Art Alliance, is Houston sensitive to Artist who are Latino decent on this City, the numbers do not match and the Houston Art Alliance has been insensitive to their needs in the past, to the Mayor he wants to commend him in regards to commission that he put in place to the Hispanic Advisory Board and he hopes that this clears the situation but as an Artist and work with the Museum in Houston and he feels that they do not have a future in this City. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Gallegos and Laster absent.

Mayor Turner advised Mr. Medel that he just approved some additional money to the Latino Art which he told him that he understands that but to a Museum that is not a 501C3 that is basically operating as a mom and pop organization, they have been around since 1994 and gotten a lot of resolution from their City Council Members and there is very little for them to continue to grow in this City if they decide to become a 501C3 because of the record that Houston Art Alliance has had in the past years not Mayor Turner Administration, also advised to him that there is a Press Conference that is schedule tomorrow with the Latino Art Community to highlight additional funding which he told the Mayor, good and he did not know about that.

Erik Crawford, 150 N. Park Plaza Dr., Kingwood, TX, 77339, (349)970-1077 appeared and stated that he wanted to follow up on Public Housing Community and when he was 18 he started to get involved in a movement in New York where he was born and raise, there were services that that were not available to them for some reason because they were living in Public Housing or based on their community, there was like this segregation of poverty where they put them in all one area and there was a lack of services available and they had to be voice full and he got involved in community movement, an activism and holding his elected Officials accountable and to make sure that City Council Members like this talk about services that were in dire need, he wants to refer back to August 7, 2018 Council Meeting, the Ordinance that they voted for which is the
2018-0612 that spoke about 6.6 million dollars the Federal Community Block Grant to fund the New Hope Housing and he thinks that he send all of Council an e-mail applauding that provision and that opportunity but with that opportunity become an economic opportunity for low income individuals as based on those numbers about $700,000.00 of that money and the contractors in this case which he thought he saw 11 of the contractors will be responsible to provide economic opportunity to low income housing residents and he heard Tom Mccasland and the Mayor talking about 100 properties highlighted to have this New Hope Development and residents of that area have the opportunity to get that funding by either job opportunities or training opportunities. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Council Member Davis thanked him for coming down and appreciates them noting some of the opportunities that should be occurring in these areas and he thinks that they are making strides and taking steps in the right direction and the Mayor Administration working with HBI over in Acres Homes which borders District A and District B, they are training young men and women and they had their first graduation last week, also the Mayor has implement the first 5 Communities as Complete Communities trying to figure out what they are missing and what is needed and what they have in these areas.

Latoshia Norwood, 1301 Texas Ave., 77002, (713)393-8745 appeared and presented information and stated that she is the Founder of She Said, She Led, She Is and many of them know that October is National Women’s Small Business Month and in October 2015 Congress passed a Resolution to designate October as National Women’s Small Business Month and in 2016 she founded an Organization that is dedicated in supporting women owned businesses and since their inception they have hosted 2 conferences and the hosted a private reception that celebrated the City of Houston Leaders like Council Members Edwards, Council Member Stardig, Council Member Cohen and also Council Member Cisneros and other City Leaders, they have also hosted a number of capacity building workshops that supported women and businesses and this week she is excited to share that they are taking it a step further, this Friday they are hosting a mini Conference at a High School in HISD, helping to contact young women to help them understand the opportunities in owning a busy and they are also hosting their 3rd Annual Conference will they be serving over 200 ladies and one of the ladies here Dewaynna Horn and she is a Representative from Texas Women’s University, they have scheduled 20 capacity building workshops and they know that Mayor Turner will be there representing the City of Houston and they also have members of the general body of Houston that will be attendance as well and she would like to extend a personal invitation for them to attend as well. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Members of Council commented and questioned Ms. Norwood and Mayor Turner thanked her for coming down and he is looking forward joining them all on Saturday morning.

Tracie Fedorchak, 9240 Nathaniel Apt., No. 925, 77075, (832)939-1719 appeared and stated that she is a Houstonian, this is her home, she never had problems with the Police Department before and 10 days ago she had her ex-boyfriend came into her house and she called 911, he broke a window and she called 911 back and after 7 calls and 3 ½ hours later they showed up and she was very upset, by the time the Police got there she had broken windows, her door was off the hedges and lying on the floor in her living room, he took her breeding male chihuahua and took her medication and all the Police Officers would tell her that his is her boyfriend, she let him in and she told them how do she stop him, he kicked the door in, how does she stop that, she argued back and forth with the Police Officer and she told him that he is not on the lease and she kicked him out a while back, she does not have money and she is just mad that she had to call the Police 7 times and it took over 3 hours for a Police Officer to show up.
Mayor Turner asked Ms. Fedorchak when did this happen and she told him that it happened last week, he also asked if she called the Houston Police Department and she told him yes.

Ms. Fedorchak also stated that when she finally talked when the Police got there and they told her that they could not do anything and they did not even asked what he was wearing or how he looked and the Police Officer advised her that he does have a body camera on him and she said that was good because she wanted to come to City Council to get them to pull it up and let them see what he did and did not do. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Mayor Turner advised Ms. Fedorchak that they do take threats involving domestic very seriously and they just had a Press Conference today and he advised her to let them follow up on this but that she does not know where he is and her complaint is the response time and he told her that let them take a look into it.

Rosie Guzman, 6003 Sherman, 77011, (832)418-7710 appeared and presented information and stated that she is Native Houstonian and she lives in the East End District and been a resident for over 27 years and she is the former President for the 2nd Ward Super Neighborhood as well as the Vice President of the 2nd Ward Super Neighborhood back in the day and she is basically concerned about the community with how she lived there for so long and herself and another longtime resident put together what was a master plan for Eastwood Park and this was back in 2015 when TIRZ was new to their area, they were shunned when they brought the presentation to the table and they were kicked out but thank goodness there was a woman that served as President that allowed them to do the presentation, it was kinda of sugar coated with the TIRZ Attorneys because they did the power point for her and she was commended by a lot of people and that this was going to take off and do something good for the East End unfortunately when their Council Member changed from Council Member Gonzalez to Council Member Cisneros and they did present this to her and with Council Members they have their own visions, their own ideas which they respect that and it is welcomed her and she had been good for their community and with that being said because they were a resident and she was serving in the 2nd Ward, they did not want to have to go through with this plan because it had to go through the 2nd Ward Super Neighborhood first but with that being said it was being done by the resident Ms. Peno and other districts have implemented kind of their idea and they are grateful about the Complete Communities are coming through their area, she did work with Council Member Cisneros for the Safe Sidewalk Program when she talked about her budget and they were able to implement sidewalks and she did this for the community and she wanted to continue to do things for the community but when the TIRZ seats become available that they were told back in 2015 that this was community based, community driven and with that being said they reach out to their Council Member and they get letter of recommendation and then they get appointed but they were told that their seat was going to someone else on Stella Link and they are appointed but then taken away and she feels it is an injustice and a form of discrimination and this is a underserved Board. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Mayor Turner advised to Ms. Guzman that she is good for her community, there are so many people who are interested in serving on these Boards and these TIRZ in particular, they are limited positions and they always try to find opportunities and he will say not being on this one at this time does not mean that they do not look for other opportunities and many of these positions are termed and he does appreciate her statements and concerns.
Harrison Kumi, 1406 Garden View, 77014, (713)884-0991 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Chicquitta Bland, 1529 East 32nd ½ St., 77022, (832)846-8116 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Nia Colbert, 9520 Wilcrest Dr., 77099, (346)570-2863 appeared and presented information and stated that she will quickly go through the documents that she presented to Council and her concern is that the elderly and disable maybe on the streets because of legal matters and one of the documents that they can see is not properly executed by the Constables and it show that she owes $235.00 in rent for September and they have a document of a rent receipt from her checks for the management and she has to get to a Court House that is not accessible by Metro and many of the disable and elderly do not have vehicles and cannot address the wrong if they get wrongful evictions and to expressed her concerns on her evictions and she came to City Council and presented a stack of documents on how the elderly and disable are being treated. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Laster, Catex-Tatum, Knox, Kubosh and Edwards absent.

Mayor Turner advised to Ms. Colbert to get with Rene and he is with the Mayor’s Citizen’s Assistance Office to give him more information and let them take a look at it.

Glenola Richard, 6000 Telephone Rd., Apt. No. 204, 77087, (281)250-7746 appeared and stated that everytime she comes down to Council she has a housing problem, she is at 6000 Telephone Road in the beginning of last month her husband went to the office and told them that he wanted her out, so they gave her until the 4th of this month for her to move, they did not give her any paperwork, her name is on the lease but since what she said he is the boss that she is the one that has to move and she does not understand it and her lease expires until December and in a way it is going to present them in a hardship because she is not getting the opportunity to stay there at least until December in order to find some place that is more suitable and she would not have gone through with getting in at 6000 telephone to have him have the power and authority like that to get rid of her, it does not seem legal to her and she needs some recourse that she would have in this particular situation. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Castex-Tatum and Edwards absent.

Upon questions by Council Member Davis, Ms. Richard advised both of their names on the lease and she did not received and that her husband went to the office and told them that he wanted her out and he told her he cannot just tell her to stay because her name is on the lease and he would not know what would happen to her if she stayed but technical they cannot make her leave until they evict her which she has to have her day in Court, with the JP Office and she would give her side and at that point the JP makes a ruling on what going to happen and unfortunately that is Civil issue and they are not in the area.

Yvonne Silva, 2502 Mona Lee Ln., 77080, (713)464-2078 appeared and stated that Homeowners Associations and Civic Clubs are still out of control and in her neighborhood when they go to their Civic Club they do not get correct information from the Super Neighborhoods and she is here to complain about an easement or a 3 way stop on Peppermill and Hollister and the Developer is going to put up 16 townhomes, they already have traffic issues in Hollister Place and the Deed Restrictions were changed without proper voting, they do not even know what the Deed Restrictions are because they have not gotten a copy of them and when she called the City, Joe Myers is supposed to look into it and has never called about the flood on Peppermill, Alcot and
she has contacted Steven Costello, they have lived in this neighborhood for 50 years and that intersection has always flood and now with the new developer putting up a moat and covering up the ditch to make it into a parking lot which is making bigger issues with Hollister Place, this is a very sensitive subject for her because she was not out there for fun and no one bothered to tell them that there were feces that they should bath after being out there being exposed to that water and a lot of people in her area are still suffering from that and the City of Houston has ignored them and her concern is the house that they are living in now and she has asked Council Member Stardig to address this issue, there was a Civic Meeting and there was not a quorum but things are still getting passed, if District A. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Laster, Castex-Tatum, Knox and Edwards absent. NO QUROUM

Council Member Stardig advised to Ms. Silva and to Mayor Turner that Flood Czar Costello would be having a Swat project going on in that area and they will be giving an update on that shortly and the triangle that they talked about that she is talking about is the same one that she had spoken to him about and Andy Icken about and she does not think there is anything they can do about it because of Ordinances and she did speak with Franklin himself, she called him personal and plea with him to think of another solution which he decline her request and she asked the Mayor if he had a solution because she is all for a solution.

Silva Adams, 2502 Mona Lee Ln., 77080, (713)464-2078 appeared and stated that Ms. Silva is staying on top of it and unfortunately for Mayor Turner and Council Member Stardig, Ms. Silva comes from a long family of activists and the bottom line is that Ms. Silva lives with her, she moved here 50 years ago, they had this problem and to address the problem about the flooding and the traffic with Mayor Brown and it was her idea at the time where they going to put the school because they had only one way out of their subdivision, how are they going to get out during school time when they already had problems with the other school, the old location was and they were going to tear that school down because it was not up to pare, the school district was going to tear it down and at that time she suggested since Saint Jerome has a school already and it is two ways going either way, they should build a school over there and build the house over here which it may have created a larger problem and Council Member Stardig does have a problem and they do not understand how they are going to fix it and that particular triangle which she does not understand how 16 houses would go there unless they all were going to be built up and these townhomes are an eyesore for her and in their little subdivision they have 48 houses and a lot of them have lived there for 50 years and this was a nice neighborhood to raise your kids in and that neighborhood has flooded since day one. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Laster, Castex-Tatum, Knox and Edwards absent. NO QUROUM

Council Member Stardig thanked Ms. Adams for coming down and she does agree with her and it had a problem with flooding in that neighborhood for many years.

Victoria Andres, 6298 Lubington, 77035, (832)591-7316 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Laster, Castex-Tatum, Knox and Edwards absent. NO QUROUM
Pastor Calvin Miller, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that he had an issue and he wanted to see if he can get it addressed and see if he can get any one to help him and he had done a lot of prayer marches in the community and he is from Sunnyside, South Park in District D and he had reached out on several occasions about a property that has become a nuisance a trash dump and he is also part of the Crestmont Civic Club and he is usually behind the scenes working in his community and he works very closely with the Civic Club Members and he is probably the youngest one there and he had done several community projects, they are partnered with the Boys and Girls Club and they came up with a project called 20/20 where they wanted to
build a community in the South Park across from Park Houston apartments and these complexes had been abandoned since he was a kid, they are not asking the City of Houston for any money, they want to invest in their Non-profit to help build that area up like to have rehab centers, they want to get a pool for that area, they want to do a Nature Trail for that area, they also want to build a community for the homeless and they do have investors that are interested to help them get this property but the owner that owns this property does not want to release his hands from this property he has jacked the price up. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Laster, Castex-Tatum, Knox and Edwards absent. NO QUORUM

Mayor Turner asked Pastor Miler what is the asking from Council and he advised that he is asking for any help with the owner of the property to give it like a citation and get the property taken away from the owner and Mayor Turner advised that they cannot take away from businesses or people but they can take steps to encourage to make the property operating within the City guidelines but in the end what he sells the property is pretty much up to him and they cannot just go in and take his property.

**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 4:48 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 3, 2018, Council Members Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Laster, Castex-Tatum, Knox and Edwards absent. NO QUORUM

At 8:28 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, October 3, 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.; Ronald Lewis, City Attorney, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office present.

At 9:17 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and stated Council would move to the Monthly Financial Report. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Le, Travis and Edwards absent.

**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.

Controller Chris Brown stated that he made some comments yesterday about the pay parity and as they all know from their meeting yesterday, they completed their analysis of the fiscal impact of Prop B and they have shared it with everyone and he believes that they received a physical copy or an e-mail at this point and the straight annualized cost to pay parity could be
as high as $85.1 million dollars in beginning physical year 2020 and this $85 million does not include the 7% raise for the Houston Police Department and that raise would impact by Prop B by about $15 million in the physical year 2020 and $27 million in physical year 2021 and they did use this analysis and it did require assumptions and consideration which are footnotes in the parity analysis document and all of these are subjected to change and he thinks that it is an important point as they are still continue the analysis and it is clear that the City will need to take additional steps necessary to absorb the additional $85 million in one fiscal year and the Controller Office believes a sustainable solution exist and that they can only do that through negotiating at the collective bargaining process and through that process that they believe the men and women of HFD should be able to negotiate a well deserve raise but one that the City of Houston can actually afford and they are hopeful that the sustainable reached and that they will take care of both the Firefighters and also something that the City Taxpayers can afford.

Mayor Turner stated he did want to follow up on the Firefighters Proposal and the reality is that it is on the Ballot now and they have to deal with the ramification of the Ballot, it is always good to negotiate and he wanted to ask in the Controller Office annualized number is $85 million and there is no disagreement with or the Financial Office or the his office on the base raise increase and Controller Brown stated that he was correct and Mayor Turner stated in there number of $85 million, they are assuming that there will have to be layoffs and Controller Brown stated that he was correct and employees will have to be laid off if this Proposition goes into effect and would around 800 employees, it depends on if it was spread among other Departments as a result and number is subject to change.

Mayor Turner also stated that Proposition B is poorly worded and structured, it is unclear as to what it does and everyone is having to draw assumptions which the Controller Office may draw some assumption and the Finance Department may draw some assumptions and other people may draw assumptions but the bottom line is that the cost of Proposition B is unsustainable for the City of Houston and because of that he put a freeze on all hiring in all the Departments without Administrative approval and even notified the Members of City Council as well and with meeting with Chef Pena and his analysis and his view that this Proposition B cannot be absorbed within the Fire Department alone.

City Controller stated that there are going to be many tough choices and to tried to absorb this only in the Fire Department Budget and he would say the challenge in this and the way that Government works is they work on kind of an incremental increase every year and to absorb a 20 to 20% increase in one year is unsustainable so the challenges would be to try and figure out and make the tough choices to identify ways to cut cost but also be able to reduce the impact and he does not know if there is a way to absorb this in overtime but trying to absorb an $85 million dollar reduction in one year in the Fire Department.

Mayor Turner further stated in regards to Proposition B and let just assume whether the cost is in his view $85 million unsustainable and Director Emo and the Finance Department is saying $98 million regardless of what it is when they factor the additional pay raise for Police Department will be roughly $100 million dollars a year and if people voted for it is going to be recurring and asked Controller Brown in his view if this Proposition B will have on the Credit Rating of the City of Houston by Moody, Fitch and S&P because they dealt with the Pension issue, they were downgraded because of the recurring Pension Cost and now if they imposed Proposition B and they are adding $100 million dollars to their bottom line.

Controller Brown stated that was a great question because as they remember they were placed on a negative outlook and plain due to largely unfunded and growing Pension liabilities and with
the great work with the Mayor, they were able to reform that but he cannot speak for the rating agencies specifically but if they continue to run large deficits and annual budget years there would be a negative outlook at one point but again he a cannot speak about this specifically but it would be better to have every year a balanced budget and not have these kind of outside financial constraints putting pressure on them because ultimately he thinks that the point he is trying to make is that eventually it would impact their credit and that is not a good thing.

Mayor Turner stated that the reason he is raising these issues because they cannot address these issues after the fact and discover what they have done after the fact because it may be too late and lastly the City Council will be considering the post pay raise for the Police and according to State Statute they are obligated to do an actuarial assessment of pay raises before the City can vote on the pay raise and Proposition B is a 25% pay raise minimum for the Fire Fighters but they are not obligated to do an actuarial assessment on that because it is referendum and he thanked him and his Office on the work that they have done and he appreciates the fact that his office has concluded that what is proposed by Proposition B is unsustainable and he agrees with them that the best place to deal with employee matter is at the negotiating table and he agrees with the fact why in 2005 collective bargaining was put in so that these employee matters would be dealt at the table and not as referendum when people do not have all the information in order to make informed decisions and that is why he does want to take the time when all the cameras and the media and he respect them highly but he would request more attention be given financial matters that can cripple this City.

After a lengthy discussion and questioning by Members of Council, a vote was called to accept the Monthly Financial Report, Council Member Martin moved to accept the monthly financial report and seconded by Council Member Christie, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Robinson absent. MOTION 2018-0504 ADOPTED

At 9:58 a.m. Mayor Turner stated he would go to the Mayor’s Report.

Mayor Turner stated that the Astros play Cleveland on Friday and the Astros players Tony Kemp, Ryan Pressley Orbit, the Shooting Stars and the Teams Executive will be out front of the steps at City Hall as they celebrate and add voices, today they resume the Town Hall Meetings on Proposition A and Proposition B and they will be in Sunnyside, in District D at 6:30 p.m. at the Sunnyside Multi Service Center and Thursday he will be in District I at 6:30 p.m. at the EPA Cape Center; the National Night out was very successful throughout the City, a lot of people were out last night the weather was good, the food was great and he wanted to thank all of Houston and the surrounding areas for being out last night, this October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and October is also Breast Cancer Awareness Month and after the Astros on the steps of City Hall he is going to leave because his daughter is being honored today and he wanted to give a shout out to Ashley Paige Turner and he is so proud of her and she is a young woman on the move.

At 10:02 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 2 through 31
ACCEPT WORK - NUMBERS 2 and 3

2. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of 3,704,523.66 and acceptance of work on contract with **ISI CONTRACTING, INC** for Concrete and Asphalt Restoration - .20% under the original contract amount was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Martin and Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0505 ADOPTED**

3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $8,008,063.34 and acceptance of work on contract with **SYNAGRO OF TEXAS - CDR, INC** for Wastewater Process Unit Cleaning and Evaluation - 2.80% under original contract amount **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; F - LE; G - TRAVIS; H - CISNEROS AND I – GALLEGOS** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Martin and Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0506 ADOPTED**

**PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS** - NUMBERS 4 through 7

4. **HYLAND SOFTWARE, INC** for approval of spending authority in an amount not to exceed $350,463.71 for OnBase Software Licensing for the Houston Airport System and Houston Information Technology Services - Central Service Revolving and Other Funds was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin and Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0507 ADOPTED**

7. **TEXAN WASTE EQUIPMENT, INC DBA HEIL OF TEXAS** purchase of two Storm Regenerative Air Sweepers through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Houston-Galveston Area Council for the Fleet Management Department on behalf of Solid Waste Management Department - $313,810.00 - Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund and Other Funds was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin and Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0508 ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 9 through 31

9. **ORDINANCE** relating to the conveyance to **CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC** of an aerial easement across a portion of Dwight D. Eisenhower Park (“The Project”); making findings and approving the use of a portion of Dwight D. Eisenhower Park for the project; authorizing an easement conveyance from the City to Centerpoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC; containing other provisions related to the foregoing subject; providing for severability **DISTRICT E – MARTIN** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0780 ADOPTED**

13. **ORDINANCE** authorizing the acceptance of an award of $1,320,816.00 in State of Texas Homeless Housing and Services Program Funds and approving and authorizing contract
between the City of Houston and **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS** for the Administration of a FY 2019 Texas Homeless Housing and Services Program - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0781 ADOPTED**

14. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $945,000.00 out of Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Fund and approving and authorizing contract between the **City of Houston** and **I & I SOFTWARE, INC** for an Information Management System for the Housing and Community Development Department; providing a maximum contract amount - the City Secretary advised that Item 14 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.

20. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2014-007, as amended, approving and authorizing First Amendment to an agreement between the City of Houston and **AT&T CORP** to extend the contract term for Central Office Based Business Communications System Services (Plexar) for Houston Information Technology Services; to increase the maximum contract amount 24 Months - $1,261,125.66 - Central Services Revolving Fund - the City Secretary advised that Item 20 have not been received, if received during the meeting it would be considered at the end of the Agenda.

22. **ORDINANCE** calling for public hearings at which interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard on: 1) Proposed Strategic Partnership Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas and **FORT BEND COUNTY FRESH WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT NO. 1** to annex, for limited purposes, certain territory located within and in the vicinity of such district in **FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS**; 2) proposed amendments to the existing Strategic Partnership Agreements between the City of Houston, Texas and **BAYBROOK MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1, EL DORADO UTILITY DISTRICT, HARRIS-FORT BEND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 5, and SOUTHERN MONTGOMERY COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**, for the City to annex, for limited purposes, certain territories within and in the vicinity of such districts in **HARRIS, FORT BEND and MONTGOMERY COUNTIES, TEXAS**; 3) proposed amendment to the existing Strategic Partnership Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas and **FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 133** to correct the property description of the territory within and in the vicinity of such district in **FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS**; and 4) proposal of the City of Houston, Texas to impose sales and use tax in such territories; providing for the publication of notice of such hearings - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; E - MARTIN; F - LE; and K - CASTEX-TATUM** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0782 ADOPTED**

23. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $108,872.00 out of Contributed Capital Project Fund, awarding construction contract to **PROGRESSIVE COMMERCIAL AQUATICS, INC** for Metropolitan Multi-Service Center - Pool Mechanical Replacement; 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 contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by Contributed Capital Project Fund **DISTRICT C – COHEN** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0783 ADOPTED**

28. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and **NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY** for acquisition of properties
for construction of the Northeast Transmission Water Line Project - DISTRICT B – DAVIS- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-0784 ADOPTED

31. ORDINANCE appropriating $1,775,209.92 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, $8,377,610.40 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF and $1,663,179.68 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF; awarding contract to SER CONSTRUCTION PARTNERS, LLC. for Watonga Paving and Drainage from W. 34th to W. 43rd; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for testing services, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF, and Metro Projects Construction DDSRF - DISTRICT C – COHEN- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-0785 ADOPTED

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

1. REQUEST from Mayor for confirmation of the reappointment of the following individuals to the HOBBY AREA DISTRICT (formerly known as Harris County Improvement District No. 9) BOARD OF DIRECTORS, for terms to expire June 1, 2021:

   Position One - DANNY R. PERKINS
   Position Two - HELEN PERRONE BONSALL
   Position Three - JESUS H. SAENZ, JR.
   Position Four - ANN M. COLLUM

   was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2018-0509 ADOPTED

   Mayor Turner invited the Members to the podium and thanked them for the willingness to serve.

5. ORDINANCE appropriating $458,565.35 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund for Sinkhole Repairs and Manhole Replacement Services for Houston Public Works - DISTRICT A – STARDIG- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-0786 ADOPTED

6. APPROVE payment in the amount not to exceed $458,565.35 to NERIE CONSTRUCTION, LLC for Sinkhole Repairs and Manhole Replacement Services for Houston Public Works at the Northwest Wastewater Treatment Plant - Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund DISTRICT A - STARDIG
This item should only be considered after passage of Item 5 above- was presented, moved by Council Member Davis and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0510 ADOPTED**

8. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of a ±30-foot-wide utility easement, excluding the southeastern portion of the Frail Lane turn-around, all located in the Cannata Addition, and being out of the Jas. Berry Survey, Abstract No. 1436, Harris County, Texas, abandoning the easement to Daniel Recio, in consideration of his payment to the City of $8,634 and other good and valuable consideration **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0787 ADOPTED**

10. **ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF HOUSTON ORDINANCE NO. 2015-162** relating to Employment Conditions, Compensation and Benefits of Classified Police Officers of the City of Houston; Ratifying the 2018 Meet and Confer Agreement between the City of Houston and the Houston Police Officers’ Union, and containing other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; suspending the operation of certain ordinances; providing for severability- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Knox absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0788 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner stated that Chief Art Acevedo, Joe Gamaldi, the President of the Houston Police Officer Union and Ray Hunt were present and requested them to stand to be recognized.

11. **ORDINANCE** establishing City of Houston Election Precincts and Designating Polling Places for the City of Houston Special Election to be held on November 6, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Knox absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0789 ADOPTED**

12. **ORDINANCE** amending Chapter 28 relating to the on-premise use of devices or any other items intended to provide sexual stimulation or sexual gratification; containing findings and other provisions related to the foregoing subject; providing for severability- was presented, Members of Council commented, and questioned Item 12 and Mayor Turner advised what they are trying to do is to modifying the Statue to become current with changing elements that exist within our community and it is not just about this business, it is about any businesses, when they start using this technology in the past, this Ordinance was put in place in 1999, they were focusing on human behavior but things have changed and all they are doing is updating their Ordinance and they are just eliminating or closing some loopholes to make the Ordinance more current but what he is saying is this is very carefully crafted to deal with any business or commercial element that falls within this category and again they are updating this Ordinance because it has not been updated in quite some time and after further discussion a vote was called, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0790 ADOPTED**

15. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract for Legal Services between the City of Houston and **BRACEWELL, LLP** for Legal Representation of the City of Houston in the lawsuit entitled Hernandez et. al, v. City of Houston Cause Number 4:16-CV-3577 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division; establishing a maximum contract amount - $1,990,000.00 - Property & Casualty Fund- was presented, all
voting aye, nays none. Council Member Edwards absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0791 ADOPTED**

16. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $8,665,911 out of City of Houston, Texas Tax increment Funds for REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBERS ONE (SAINT GEORGE PLACE ZONE), TWO (MIDTOWN ZONE), THREE (MAIN STREET/MARKET SQUARE ZONE), SIX (EASTSIDE ZONE), SEVEN (OLD SPANISH TRAIL/ALMEDA CORRIDORS ZONE), EIGHT (GULFGATE ZONE), NINE (SOUTH POST OAK ZONE), TWELVE (CITY PARK ZONE), AND THIRTEEN (OLD SIXTH WARD ZONE), CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS, for payment of affordable housing costs, payment to HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, and payments to certain redevelopment authorities as provided herein- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0792 ADOPTED**

17. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Lease Agreement between JEFFERSON SMITH, LLC, Landlord, and the CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS, Tenant, for approximately 83,080 sq. ft. of office space located at 500 Jefferson, Houston, Texas 77002, for occupancy by Houston Forensic Science Center, Inc. - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS**- was presented,

After a lengthy discussion a vote was called, Council Member Stardig voting no, balance voting aye. **ORDINANCE 2018-0793 ADOPTED**

18. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS and HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS, Sellers, and HANOVER R.S. LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, Buyer, for the sale of 4.542 acres of land located at 3540 W. Dallas, Houston, Harris County, Texas, for $30,600,000.00 - Revenue - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0794 ADOPTED**

19. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the OLD SPANISH TRAIL/ALMEDA CORRIDORS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SEVEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (OLD SPANISH TRAIL/ALMEDA CORRIDORS ZONE); approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2019-2023 Capital Improvements Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0795 ADOPTED**

21. **ORDINANCE** authorizing the appropriation of $2,997,500.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and awarding contract to ACCURATE METER & BACKFLOW LLC. for Commercial Meter Replacement Services for Houston Public Works; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - $62,500.00 Enterprise Fund for a total of $3,060,000.00- was presented and tagged by Council Member Edwards.

24. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $921,053.00 out of Parks & Recreation Dedication Fund awarding construction contract to CARRERA CONSTRUCTION, INC for Linkwood Playground; setting a deadline for the proposer’s execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance and other required contract documents to the City; holding the proposer in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering and testing services and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Parks & Recreation Dedication Fund -
DISTRICT K - CASTEX-TATUM was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0796 ADOPTED

25. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 4.836 acres of land to HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 216, for inclusion in its district - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0797 ADOPTED

26. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Joint Funding Agreement between the City of Houston and UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, a Texas Water Science Center, United States Department of the interior for Water Resource Investigations - 60 Months - $5,225,061.45 Enterprise Fund - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin and Castex-Tatum absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0798 ADOPTED

27. ORDINANCE appropriating $4,956,628.74 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF; $1,776,632.29 out of Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF; $2,448,432.35 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation to the Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Houston; HARRIS COUNTY AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION for the reconstruction of Clinton Drive from the Port of Houston Authority Gate 8 Entrance to IH-610; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by Metro Projects Construction DDSRF, Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF and the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and H – CISNEROS - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin and Castex-Tatum absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0799 ADOPTED

29. ORDINANCE appropriating $632,443.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF as an additional appropriation; approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY for services associated with the Harrisburg Railroad Crossing Improvements to establish the East End I and III Quiet Zones (Approved by Ordinance No. 2011-1210) - DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin and Castex-Tatum absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0800 ADOPTED

30. ORDINANCE appropriating $25,104.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF as an additional appropriation; approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY for services associated with the Hughes Railroad Crossing Improvements to establish the East End I and III Quiet Zones (Approved by Ordinance No. 2011-1210) - DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin and Castex-Tatum absent. ORDINANCE 2018-0801 ADOPTED

MATTERS HELD - NUMBER 32

32. RECEIVE nominations for Positions One, Two and Three on the HOUSTON AREA LIBRARY AUTOMATED NETWORK (H.A.L.A.N.) ADVISORY BOARD for two-year terms
DELAYED BY MOTION #2018-491, 9/19/18
This was Item 42 on Agenda of September 19, 2018- was presented,

Council Member Cisneros nominated Mr. Shaun Gaffney for Position 1 for the Houston Area Library Automated Network Advisory Board.

Council Member Gallegos nominated Ms. Michelle Ferrell for Position 2 on the Houston Area Library Automated Network Advisory Board.

Council Member Kubosh nominated Dr. Reagan Flowers for Position 3 on the Houston Area Library Automated Network Advisory Board.

Mayor Turner stated seeing no more nominations, he requested a Motion to close the Nominations, Council Member Laster moved to close the nominations for Position 1, 2 & 3 for the Houston Area Library Automated Network Advisory Board and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin and Castex-Tatum absent. MOTION 2018-0511 ADOPTED

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 11:31 a.m. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED

Pat J. Daniel, Assistant City Secretary