

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, December 11, 2018

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 11, 2018; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding with Council Members Brenda Stardig, 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 and Jack Christie D.C.; Randy Zamora, Legal Department, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office present. Council Member Amanda Edwards out of the City on Personal Business.

At 1:38 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and stated they would start with the presentations. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, Castex-Tatum and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner stated that A-Rocket Moving & Storage, Inc. is a moving and storage company that was founded in Houston by an innovative couple-Herbert and Irlene Sam. With their vision of owning their own company, the couple saved their money and purchased a small van and hired one employee and began to work. The company's mission is providing superior service to all its clients with a focus on office and laboratory relocations. As a full-service mover, the storage component has become an integral part of the overall services that it provides. Over the years, A-Rocket Moving & Storage, Inc. has exponentially grown from three employees and one small van to an office of 15 support staff employees, 75 full-time moving staff and 100 part-time movers. The company's fleet consists of 12 bobtails, five C-Vans, 10 passenger vans and four tractors/trailers. The company has also provided countless office and laboratory moves where many cases exceeded 200,000 square feet. Due to exceeding expectations, A-Rocket Moving & Storage, Inc. was awarded the Outstanding Service and Performance Award, Greater Houston Black Chamber Pinnacle Award, and Affirmative Action and Contract Complaisance Award, among many other accolades. As a compassionate business, A-Rocket Moving & Storage, Inc. has selflessly assisted and provided resources to those affected by natural disasters locally and beyond. During the Tax Day and Memorial Day floods, the company assisted with charitable donations and selflessly provided services to Houstonians by helping to relocate them out of harm's way. In 2017, the company transported donations and other items across the Houston area after the devastation of Hurricane Harvey. A-Rocket Moving & Storage, Inc.'s compassion has also extended beyond Houston, including in 2016 when they delivered donations to Baton Rouge, Louisiana to assist those affected by the historic flood, and most recently Columbia, South Carolina where they delivered donations to those impacted by Hurricane Florence. On December 11, 2018, A-Rocket Moving & Storage, Inc. will be recognized for more than 55 years of service and dedication to providing quality and fast-moving services to Houston. The City of Houston commends A-Rocket Moving & Storage, Inc. on its many contributions to the community and for lending a helping hand to neighboring cities and other states during natural disasters and extends best wishes on its continued success and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed December 11, 2018, as A-Rocket Moving & Storage, Inc. Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos and Knox absent.

Council Member Martin stated that the National Collegiate Athletic Association awarded the Texas Bowl to Houston on June 27, 2006. The Texas Bowl celebrates the culture, heritage and football tradition of Houston and the Lone Star state. The Texas Bowl seeks to create a thrilling fan experience, deliver a memorable conference, school and athlete experience, positively impact charity partners and establish Houston as one of the great bowl cities in America and on November 15, 2017, the Texas Bowl aligned with Academy Sports and Outdoors as its new title sponsor and the bowl became known as the Academy Sports and Outdoors Texas Bowl. The

bowl is committed to leaving a lasting legacy through its support of DePelchin Children's Center which has provided \$1.4 million in financial support and millions more in promotional support since the game's inception. The Academy Sports and Outdoors Texas Bowl and its sister event, the AdvoCare Texas Kickoff, have grown to become two of the most popular annual college football games in the country, combining to create an economic impact of close to \$100 million annually. On December 27, 2018, the Academy Sports and Outdoors Texas Bowl will take place at the NRG Stadium, showcasing the Big 12 versus the SEC. The City of Houston commends all involved in organizing the Academy Sports and Outdoors Texas Bowl and extends best wishes on an entertaining game and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed December 27, 2018, as Academy Sports and Outdoors Texas Bowl Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Davis, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos and Knox absent.

Council Member Robinson stated that on the weekend of August 26, 2017, the greater Houston area experienced a life-altering natural disaster. Houstonians dealt with devastating losses due to the effects of Hurricane Harvey. Through compassionate organizations willing to serve during this difficult time, Houston has remained resilient in its recovery efforts and McGuireWoods attorney Siobhan Ray combined full days of client work with four-hour volunteer shifts at the George R. Brown Convention Center, helping Lone Star Legal Aid (LSLA) assist flood victims with needs such as applying for FEMA assistance and replacing lost benefits cards and other important documents. While volunteering, she soon learned the storm had triggered an explosion and fire that gutted LSLA's downtown headquarters; after learning about the fire, the McGuireWoods law firm took in displaced LSLA legal aid lawyers and staff, quickly providing office space for them to maintain essential services and address the challenges of rebuilding hurricane-impacted low-income communities. The firm dedicated four conference rooms in its offices in J.P. Morgan Chase Tower for 15 lawyers, paralegals and staff from LSLA's Equitable Development Initiative (EDI) unit. LSLA's EDI unit, which handles fair housing, environmental justice and community advocacy, took on new urgency after Hurricane Harvey. Within days, the unit was up and running in its McGuireWoods home, with phone lines and secure data connections provided by the firm and on December 11, 2018, McGuireWoods will be honored for its selfless contributions and active involvement during Hurricane Harvey recovery efforts. The City of Houston commends and appreciates McGuireWoods for continuing its critical work and strengthening a formidable partnership with Lone Star Legal Aid that has provided relief to some of Houston's most vulnerable victims of Hurricane Harvey and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed December 11, 2018, as McGuireWoods Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Davis, Travis, Gallegos, Knox and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Boykins for a point of personal privilege; Council Member Boykins stated that he wanted to apologize for missing the Proclamation for A-Rocket Moving & Storage, Inc. and they are located in District D and the owner who is the son, the President and CEO, they grew up together. Council Member Boykins wanted to say Congratulations to the A-Rocket family.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Martin for a point of personal privilege; Council Member Martin stated he would like to recognize some folks that are here from the Lake Houston area representing leadership and they are here from Government Day and he requested them to stand to be recognized.

At 2:06 a.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Travis for the Invocation and Council Member Tavis led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Members Gallegos and Knox absent.

The Roll was Called. Council Members Gallegos and Knox absent. Council Member Amanda Edwards out of the City on Personal Business.

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

MOTION ADOPTED

At 2:07 p.m. Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

Eddie Akhmetchine, 3400 Edloe St. Apt. #907, 77027, (713)550-3168 appeared and stated that this is Harmony in the Air Program. He has lived in Houston for 26 years. This program is really wonderful and every time that they play with his trio, they have some many thankful people at the Airport, the passengers at the Airport say hi to them and take videos and pictures along with posting the pictures and the videos. They see so many appreciative faces but also has some quality people in his band, himself, he had 7 years of piano, 6 years of saxophone from Russia and the U.S. This program helps them connect with future work, they have had other request for performance who like the music. They have played at hospitals and that job they got was because they were playing at the Airport and he is really thankful for that. Council Members Davis, Martin and Knox absent.

Michael Sanville, 14104 Texas Ave. Apt. #121, 77021, (832)607-7352 appeared and stated that he is with a company called Vici Strings and he is represented by Council Member Gallegos. They have been participating in the Harmony in the Air program since inception. He does see a lot of feed back from the people that are traveling through the airport and he thinks it gives them a respite from the stress and struggles in the airport. He wanted to read some of the hand-written comments that people leave them; "thank you for the beautiful music that you are providing for us in the airport, I am flying to see my sister that is dying in the hospital and I am so stress and sad. your music gave me calm and peace, thank you". Here is another note that is saying "thank you for sharing your talent, your music is absolutely beautiful and was the perfect break between flights and thank you for your time to share it." Their company represents about 60 musicians in the Houston area that are professional that participate in a lot of the other companies that work together. There's a synergistic effect of what people see in the airport when they're traveling here and what they can find for entertainment and leisure throughout. Council Members Davis, Martin, Gallegos and Knox absent.

Hae'a Lee, 6115 Yale St., 77076, (713)691-1405 appeared and stated that she is a violinist that moved here 19 years ago to join the Houston Grand Opera and she finds playing in the quartet with a direct audience is rewarding and despite playing an Opera the night before or the same day as Harmony in the Air. She is motivated by the positive reactions from travelers every single week and this is a ranged for playing Mozart for a pilot to a teenage girl flying alone for the first time. They have been told by agents saying that "we are looking forward to your time slot", "you really made my day and best airport experience ever". She had been with Harmony for several years and had been recognized Nationwide in the media for its win, win concept and professional presentation. If they were wondering, she was educated in England attending a special music boarding school in Manchester at the age of 9 and then going to Oxford University for her bachelor's and master's degree in music. Since HGO only employees are part time, she needs to work as a free lancer violinist for many groups in town and with your vote to renew Harmony in the Air contract is a clear move to support all of the smaller organizations that have already accomplished so much and for the many professional including herself that rely on the steady income. She hopes by the end of the day, they see that they are good enough investors in the City of Houston in a world that is so full of drama and surprises. She is happy to contribute those

times when the unexpected is also soothing and language that can be understood by all. Council Members Cohen, Martin, Gallegos and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner advised the audience that during this time no applaude but if they agree, they can stand or wave their hands in the air but just no applaude.

Dominika Danciewicz, 1517 Eastwood, 77023, (832)643-6380 appeared and stated that she is a violinist that is part of the Harmony in the Air program and her group is one of the handpicked by the level of their playing but also the quality of the program. The program was not just designed to provide background entertainment or noise, it's a high-quality, top-notch performance that is enhancing the image of this City in the eyes of the visitors and travelers. She knows that Houston is primarily as of now a business destination and been pointed out by the Council Members that they need to invest in the travelers and the airport staff and the TSA teams. They have been talked about and talked to many times by these folks by saying "that we do give them their highlight of the day, they are waiting for us to come and play." This gives them joy and Harmony in the Air program is truly an image of the brand of this City, it is not just entertainment but people who only have a chance to come through the City for a short time can get a glimpse of what the this City is about, it's not just about business, oil, top notch medical hospital and they just can't afford to get rid of this program. Council Members Davis and Knox absent.

Members of Council commented and questioned Ms. Danciewicz.

Carlos Machado, 2515 Shakespeare St., Apt. No. 5, 77030, (832)212-0087 appeared and stated that it is going to be hard to follow the previous speaker, he is with a group call Mystery Loves Company and they are an original group that was handpicked by the program. He is in Council Members Cohen District and he been living in Houston since 1995. The one thing that he wants to get across to the Council Members today is that all of the people that they are going to hear from he knows a lot of them personally and he has had the pleasure of seeing them perform. They are equal to a lawyer or a doctor or anybody that they can image, they are top of their class and that is something that need to be understood by this group. When passengers come by some of them have told them that they have lay overs that is up to 7 hours in our airports and they are overwhelmed for the fact that they can seat and listen to the music for 3 of those hours. They can just forget about everything that's going on in their travel day and have that pleasant experience. To have that experience explains who we are as a City that's visceral and a quick image on who we are. This program shows our diversity, that we are professionals, it shows that we have quality, we're educated, and that Houston is unlike anything they have seen anywhere in their travels. He is asking Members of Council for their support for the program and he wants it to thrive. He thinks this is a model that a lot of airports are going to follow. Council Members Kubosh and Christie absent.

Council Member Boykins thanked Mr. Machado for coming and to all of the wonderful musicians that are present and taking their time to come down here an speak from their perspective but he wanted to be up front about this, he is going to be voting against this item and it has nothing to do with what they do and from coming to the Houston Art Alliance to get funding and vetted so it is an excellent program but the City is facing a financial challenges. So, from him and the City's perspective, if they are seeing that we are spending \$3 million dollars on one item and we are cutting and looking for money for another item, but he wants to make it clear that he is not against what they are doing but it is just the time from his perspective.

Council Member Cohen stated that she understands what her colleagues are saying but she thinks this is an important amenity and she think if people are traveling over the holidays and it's stressful. The music that they provide makes a big difference.

Patrick Moore, 6318 Wilshire Ridge, 77040, (713)444-3392 appeared and stated that it was an honor to be standing in front of them today and he can't thank all of them enough for their service to our community. He wants to admire them for their physical conversative on this issue and he wanted to address a question that was asked earlier about their timing at 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Harmony Air has done a study and experimented with the timing with them at the airport system, several times and they chose 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. because they had the biggest impact at that particular time which that did surprise him too because he only travels in the mornings and evenings. They do see a lot of people during that time. He is here on behalf on Axiom Quartet and they been in Houston for 7 years, they play everything from pop music to classical. Today, they are lucky enough to perform 50 to 100 concerts a year, they play all over the City of Houston and in the suburbs as well as hill country, this past summer they even got to go to China with 10 shows with 1000s of seats that were sold out. Axiom Quartet is world class organization and they get to perform at the airport. He also expressed stories about passengers they have encounter, the TSA smile when they see them, and they have been told that more passengers are calm when they go through security which helps increase their safety and helps the lines go by faster and the stories that he tells is the impact of Harmony Air. Council Members Boykins, Gallegos, Laster, Kubosh and Christie absent.

Council Member Travis stated that he wanted to say this to Mr. Moore and everyone else that is present for this item, that they are making a good persuasive argument.

Laura Krentzman, 4732 Merwin St., 77027, (617)816-5402 appeared and stated that she is part of the Axiom Quartet. She thanked them for allowing her to speak in support of Harmony in the Air program today. She has lived in Houston for 2 ½ years and her Council Member is Greg Travis. She been playing at Bush International Airport for about a year. Since she had been playing with Axiom and participating in the program, it was obvious seeing the passengers enjoy seeing them play. At least every week one passenger had come up to them made saying they multi hour layover enjoyable. For some people seeing a professional musician playing in front of them is a unique experience. It lets people know that Houston is passionate about diverse cultural and every group that has been selected is an established musician in their field that been studying all through their lives. There is a big difference when it comes to people playing music as a hobby and those that are professionals, they have really dedicated their lives and many hours of practice into doing this professionally. This is what they do and its their job and how they make their living. Participating in the Harmon in the Air program has helped her personally as a source of income that is steady and helps supports families. She urges that Council will support Harmony in the Air for the musicians, passengers and workers of the airport. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Gallegos and Kubosh absent.

Matthew Detrick, 3205 Milburn St., 77021, (832)496-9943 appeared and stated that he and his family is represented by Council Member Dwight Boykins in District D and he graduated from Rice University in 2003. He is the Founder and Executive Director of the Apollo Chamber Players Incorporation and he is a violinist. Apollo have been an integral part of Harmony in the Air since the programs started. Their performances have reached ten to thousands of passengers and was posted in the New York Times magazine for this Vanguard and unique program. It helps brand Houston as a welcoming destination that values the arts. It has raised their profile in the community and helps them to connect with others. Young children dance to their music to the sounds and melody's. He wanted to share a story, early this month they had the honor to meet and perform for a 90 year old disable Veteran. Harmony in the Air had impacted their families, the travelers and this is a worth wild program. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Castex-Tatum and Kubosh absent.

Irma Laucirica, 13902 Calm Wind Way, 77045, (281)224-4764 appeared and stated that she is Co-Founder and Co-Director for Solero Flamenco LLC. and she sings in Spanish. She is here to tell them that music is indeed the universal language. It doesn't need any translation and no explanation. They have to listen to the passengers that come to this City and they are touched by something that is unique and wonderful. She agrees fully with Mayor Turner. We must be inclusive, they must be diverse. She doesn't see Harmony in the Air as luxury, she sees it as a must. She can't urge the Council Members enough to look at that and value it as a marketing instrument to open doors for future travelers that come to this City. She sees it has a need and one of the things that she would like to address, is that some of the Council Member suggested hiring street musicians and volunteers. She has respect for street musicians and volunteers, but she also knows that they would hire educated, professionally trained experienced musicians that have pass the necessary background checks and security examinations to earn the privilege in being an ambassador to this City in the secured airports. It is unfortunate that many of the Council Members haven't had the opportunity to witness Harmony in the Air performance, she values what they do here in the day to day in serving our City as Elected Service Officials and she invites them all to come to one of their performances and to keep an open mind. Council Members Boykins, Martin and Castex-Tatum absent.

Paul English, 2409 Kingston, 77019, (713)248-3341 appeared and stated that he is a musician, producer, educator and he was educated at the University of Miami, University of Houston and got his master's degree at Rice University. He spent most of his life perfecting his craft and a lot of what he was going to say, has already been heard by previous speakers. But what he really wants to address is attracting business to Houston, when they are talking about funds or lack of funds, the music business is huge, the entertainment and media industry in the United States spend about \$540 billion dollars in 2014 and it is estimated to be \$750 billion in 2020. They industry worldwide is \$1.2 trillion dollars industry and it is not some small change. They are apart of that, his music class on day one is a single sentence, he tells his students that the music business has 2 components which are music and business and then he tells his students to write an essay and next week that talk about the essay. They are not only musicians, they work very hard to promote themselves and their clients, in this case their clients are the Houston airport system and they are their ambassador, unofficially of course and they are proud of that. They are proud to be musicians and proud to be playing for the City of Houston and if they can hear what they do, he thinks that Members of Council would be proud of them too. He urges them to vote, yes and please, give this program the funding to continue. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin and Castex-Tatum absent.

Brain Hodge, 2000 Edwards St. #109, 77007, (713)909-3366 appeared and stated that he is here to speak for Harmony in the Air, he also had remarks, but he thinks that previous speakers spoke with more eloquent than he could ever say. He is the Executive Director of Musiqa that is located in District H, they are collective of musicians and composers that is dedicated to contemporary music. They play all types of music in the 20th century. They have been part of Harmony in the Air when it started in 2015 and 2016. He would like to say that Council Members have a very tough decision in front of them because there are a lot of needs. Harmony in the Air have been described as what people want and people want joy in life. People don't wake up in the morning and say, "they want a walkway that work" or "bathrooms that are clean", they want joy. Harmony in the Air and the professional artist that Musiqa employees are present in this room, they contribute to that to make Houston and the airport experience more joyful despite all the things that maybe wrong. He would also like to say that the funds are going directly to the musicians, they employee musicians that live in the City and he encourage them to really evaluate this program artistly and economically and urges for their support for the program. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin and Castex-Tatum absent.

Jeremy Garcia, 13902 Calm Wind Way, 77045, (832)563-2316 appeared and stated that he lives in District D and he has a Doctorate Degree in classical guitar performance. He been living and performing in the Houston area since 1999 as a Solero Flamenco guitarist and a classical guitarist. They have performed countless concerts, events, festivals in the region and beyond. They have founder Flamenco Festival from 2011 to 2016 and they founded Flamenco for kids and teens, a program that builds confidence in students. They are extremely grateful for recognition as artists and the opportunity to serve their art and community. Once they started performing, they became convinced of the programs values and were surprised by the impact and they even been told that "they wish their layover lasted a little longer". He wanted to take a moment to address some of the comments made in the last meeting, one suggestion was to employee students which he agrees that there are many talented students in this City but as an educator most of the students are not ready or have the dexterity or repertoire to deal with people like the professionals does. Furthermore, the students would have to pass the security requirements. Another point was made, was for a playground for kids which someone suggested last week, he thinks that cost of maintaining a clean, healthy and safe environment for kids to play would be outrageous and the airport would be liable. With music kids are entertain in a safe way and when it is time to go, they leave with their parents in a much less stressful manner, they dance with them, they enjoy the performers. The program is an asset and promotes the arts in the City. Please keep Harmony in the Air and he believes it shares a shiny example of what the best Houston has to offer. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Castex-Tatum absent.

Eric Kaposta, 6109 West 34th St., 77092, (713)294-0000 appeared and stated that he didn't want to be redundant from the previous speakers, but he just wanted to say this, they say that "the angels closet to God are the soulful one and they are the angels of music". Most of these people that are professional spend their life time trying to be serum of that most precious gift, they don't want to pull the plug and a lot of them depend on this program besides the other things that they do, this is vital to them and they don't want them to leave the City. They want to build something that makes a difference so that Houston is not like the other big Cities. They need to have reason for people to come here, music and the unbelievable musicians here. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Robinson and Christie absent.

Anthony Henry, 2318 Wheeler Ave., 77004, (713)835-9063 appeared and started to sing Born by the River and she stated that it from the heart, they all see the news. There is so much tension so much division. He sees people smile when he takes his guitar out and sings a couple of verses. He doesn't want to take too much of their time because he knows that they are going to vote on how they feel. He sees that it is starting to be a political thing. He would never do this if it was not important and he believes that this is important. A musician like him that have been kicked off the Apollo, kick off of the Voice and America's Got Talent. This is a beautiful thing, this is giving his heart to the City, to the world and just seeing the reactions on what joy can bring. If they can he is requesting them to hold on to the program and if they can't the music world will still go on and if they have the chance to extend something so beautiful why would they reject something that brings joy, beauty and color to the City. Council Members Robins and Christie absent.

Ingrid Hunter, 404 West Polk St., Apt.#2, 77019, (626)428-6985 appeared and stated that she is a violinist with the Harmony in the Air program, she is here as the Executive Director and they play classical music at the Hobby Airport every Tuesday. She and her colleague have a Doctorate Degree and both of them have been playing their instruments for over 25 years. They are proud to represent the City of Houston by providing the high level of performance for the Harmony in the Air program. She wanted to point out to them that there is a question about diversity with in regard to the music and the people that are in the program. She is originally from Brazil and her colleague is from Romania and she knows that a lot of people in this program are immigrants that

have come to the City and who have had the opportunity to make a living for themselves here because of this program. This program doesn't only support music, it also supports immigrants. She read some comments in particular in regards what the passengers think about the program. Council Members Davis, Robinson and Christie absent.

Madeline Herdeman, 2515 Shakepeare, Apt.#3, 77030, (815)997-7851 appeared and stated that she is a musician with the group called Mystery Loves Company, they play original music at the airport, she been living in Houston for 8 years and her Council Member is Ellen Cohen. She is a professional cello, singer and music educator. She has a bachelor's degree in cello performance from Wisconsin, she is going to echo a lot of what the other speakers have shared today, about passengers' reactions responses. Over the years working with Harmony in the Air they have heard dozen or maybe 100 passengers share with her that they are so sooth to hear music, that they are stress relieved from their travel day, she been told that they are taken back by surprised that this is offered to them in the airport. This program is a helpful service, this isn't just for entertainment, it is important to the passengers and when Houston puts the foot forward, the visitors and being welcoming to the visitors, they will remember that. She knows that there have been some comments from this chamber if the music in the airport, if the people will make their travel arrangements base on something that they heard at an airport, maybe not specifically but it is investment, to answer that question. She knows they have over 2 million cultural tourist who come to Houston every year and having demonstration of just the cultural richness that is here in Houston and that is an investment and she really urges them to support this program. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Castex-Tatum and Christie absent.

Council Member Cohen stated to Ms. Herdeman when she came to the mic and she identified herself being in her District, it just struck her, there is 11 of them that are District Council Members and 5 At-Large Council Members. Often, they are focusing only for their District and those issues that effect their District. She spoke that this is an issue that they all can come together, it's not just District C, District A or even District E, it's all of them have a piece in this program. She is very grateful, and she hopes that her colleagues around the Horseshoe see the benefit of this beauty in this music and all that it brings to people, it something collective that they can do as a Council in passing this.

Pamela York, 4119 Haven Pines Dr., Kingwood, Tx, 77345, (281)836-3337 appeared and stated that she is a jazz pianist, she has lived here for 17 years and she lives in Kingwood, she grew up in Canada, she is classical trained and loved jazz in high school, she graduated in Boston. She performs between the U.S. and Canada. She plays with many of the small jazz groups in Houston and the Jazz Orchestra. She appreciates how well the program is ran, the piano is high quality and that doesn't happen everywhere, it is turn and maintain on a regular basis. She had been paid fairly and like many other she has received positive feed back from the beginning. Like others she feels in the terminal less tense, more calm and safer. She shared special memories with passengers coming up to her about the music. She feels like she is an ambassador for music in jazz in particular. She believes that Harmony in the Air set it apart from other airports and experiences and she truly hope to have it in her future. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, and Martin absent.

Joshua Dada, 2513 Cleburne St., 77004, (713)992-8228 appeared and stated that he is represented by Council Member Boykins, in the Greater 3rd Ward area. His approach to this is totally different, he is what a street musician looks like when you mix it with ambition. He has been able to build a company called Entertainment Connect after leaving Houston Orchestra and he represent a lot of young men in urban culture in music. This contract came up at the best time. He went through a lengthy application process and a lot of auditions, he fought through process

and he made it and what he challenges them to see more businesses are coming. We can adapt and grow, they need to figure out a way to keep this program. He went to Prairie View A & M University and he studied business, but he knew that he loved music and he knows what music can do, music speaks from the soul and they are the soul of Houston. He requests that Members of Council support them. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins and Martin absent.

Mark Prause, 5826 Bitternut Dr., 77092, (832)274-8565 appeared and stated that he is native Houstonian and he been here for 51 years. he played at the airport for 19 months and he can give tons and tons of stories like all of the previous speakers. He went to Houston Baptist University and got a music degree there and currently he plays for a restaurant in the Montrose area and the reason that is important to know is because when he is playing at the airport people hear him and then they come to the restaurant that he plays at. They spend that money and that credits tax revenue for the City. One of the things that they do as musicians, they can make people happy and that is what he does when he is at the airport. He plays every style that they can imagine except for rap. One of the most fun comments that he got from a person about the relief of stress from music is that they walked up to him as he was playing and told him that "he is better than valium", to give a number of people that makes comments, he never got less than 50 comments and sometimes got more than 80 comments in the 3 hour period. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Gallegos absent.

Kinga Ferguson, 1136 Key, 77009, (281)636-4951 appeared and thanked them for hearing all of them out on this important matter. She is the Executive Director of Ars Lyrica Houston which was Grammy Nominated for music ensemble, they represent Houston and they also perform academic conventions, they have many accomplishments and they also employ over 100 artists. This is not their proudest accomplishments, their biggest accomplishment is bringing music to the people and that is their mission, they play early music like Baroque Era, they have collaboration with the Museum of the Fine Arts, Children Museum and Harmony in the Air is best example in completing their mission to bring music to the people. They interact with their audience and thrive off of the comments like the previous speakers have said. This program is important not just because it brings business to people, but it represents what we have in Houston, showing to the outsiders that Houston is not just the City of all high in retail but also, it's a City of Arts and Culture. They urge them to keep this program going and alive and she knows there are many urgent needs, but the question is what type of quality they want to build. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos and Laster absent.

Maria Lin, 2413 W. Main St., 77098, (713)516-0863 appeared and stated that she is a violinist with Ars Lyrica Houston and she lives in District C. She went to school at the New England Conservatory in Massachusetts and she been playing professionally since 1980 and been playing in Houston since 2000. She had played with the Houston Symphony, the Grand Opera of Houston and the Houston Ballet. The difference about Harmony in the Air with pretty much all of her experiences in the music is the wide spread audience and they don't have to buy a ticket to hear them play. She has had passengers express that landing in Houston and hearing them play was refreshing and a free gift. She is privileged that she gets to do this at the airport. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Gallegos, Laster and Kubosh absent.

Neil Aquino, 5353 Memorial Dr., Apt. #2064, 77007, (713)591-0402 appeared and stated that he doesn't understand why they are worried about what our Democratic Officials are considering turning over some of our Houston public schools to a charterize. None of the Members of Council said a word 11 months ago when the School Board Police state violence to detain and remove citizens from an open meeting and he is requesting a more hopeful course. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Gallegos, Laster Robinson and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Mr. Aquino that no one is forcing anything on HISD and he doesn't know where he and anybody else is getting this from. Whatever chose that HISD takes is their decision and their decision alone. He wanted to be very clear that HISD has put out RFP and nobody here is fighting with HISD and he doesn't want miss information being put out.

Bobbie Cohen, no address, (832)265-2820 appeared and stated that she is a mom and a grandmother. She is a pain in the neck to some people that is involved in City and State Government. She's been overseeing public issues and she is a member of many nonprofits for a number of years and apparently the City of Houston has decided all its solved problems and give attentions to the schools. After years of the Legislator of starving the schools and lowing the allocations. From time to time they come up with the scams to remove schools away from Districts of four or five schools that are failing. She doesn't know why the City of Houston has decided to involve itself in a non-profit coalition with 3 Board Members seeing as none of them seem to have expertise in education. She would hope that the City would stay back with this, she was one of the people that attended the meeting in April and the parents do not want this. She understands that he said its up to HISD to deal with this and they issued an RFP but parents are pushing back on this. They have asked them to sue the State as an alternative and not to privatize the school. She would hate to see the City taking sides. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Knox and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Ms. Cohen is number one, again miss information is never helpful, no one is trying to privatize the schools, the offer that has been put on the table works within the existing structure with HISD. They have made it clear that they are seeking an RFP and that is the direction which they decided to go, its their choice. He wants to make sure that they are factual correct.

Members of Council comment and questioned Ms. Cohen.

Mayor Turner wanted to be very clear that there is one person that speaks at a time and only can speak from the podium mic. They don't allow outburst over here.

Stephanie Thomas, 3914 Leeland St., 77003, (832)840-265-2820 appeared and stated that she is also here today to speak in opinion to the City because getting involved with the School Board issue. As she looks over this proposal for the non-profit and she looks at the Board Members and she must ask where the educators are, where are the people that represent the communities. She would like to see more people that have K through 12th experience involved. People that really deeply understand where the schools can perform better and how to make that actually happen. When she looks at the Board of Directors for this non-profit one name comes up to her which is Corbin Robinson and as she looked more into him, she had seen that he has funded anti-science organization and that really concerns her. It is really important that the City focus issues that can help support these schools. Making sure that students have access to clean water, clean air because they know that poor air quality can impact students learning. They know that the City can be involved in other ways to really support the communities but stay out of the School Board issue. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Ms. Thomas that they are going to do just that, they are going to focus on those issues and he will always pay attention to children who are in need of academic success because education is a critical component to their success and for their future but again he wanted to be clear to her and everyone else, the decision and the direction taken is their decision and their decision alone. No one is forcing anything on HISD. He would not be here without a quality education which open the door for opportunity.

Sarah Becker, no address, (254)644-6565 appeared and stated that she listens to Mayor Turners comments today and she understand what he is saying "that no one is forcing anything on HISD" but what they are asking or petitioning City Council today, that they don't make it an option. And they are asking them as the Elected Officials to take the option off the table, this is a dangerous move for the City of Houston. The States accountability and no guarantees of success. This is not the solution. If they want to improve student outcomes of this schools out of poverty, give the parents living wages, health insurance, affordable housing and this plan is not that. The State is holding them hostage, the City of Houston can and has partnered with HISD before. Council Members need to pass an Ordinance to stop this hostile take over neighborhood schools. Our education system is in dying need to be reformed and they will not be solved in 2 years. Mayor Turner the Senate Bill that create these partnerships they have to apply as a charter school, so it is a charter school. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Ms. Becker that is not right and this is not a hostile takeover because they don't have the power to engage in a takeover. The use of that phase acknowledge is way over the top and factual incorrect. HISD and the present Board have the power on which direction they shall go, this is an option, and this is an option that already exist in the structure of HISD. All the other things that she mentions which is poverty, providing public safety, dealing with complete communities, they are doing all of that but for him and he is going to speak for himself. He will be always focus on kids in underperforming schools, who are trap in the underperforming schools who deserve better. The focus should always be on the children.

Council Member Davis thanked her for coming down, he thinks she mentioned twice the families deserve the right for the democratic elected representation, he will tell Ms. Becker this, that maybe true because that is what is stated but all students deserve the right to a quality education the first time. So when she stands there and he heard many speak about why are they getting involved when 6 out of the 10 schools are in his District that are in the verge of getting shut down, he does have an issue because he doesn't see any of them coming to his schools to read to our kids in the 16 elementary schools that are in his District because we all know before they get to the 3rd grade, they are learning to read. After that they are reading to learn. Until they get ready to stop what's going on in these schools and he is willing to do whatever he needs to do to figure out what they need to do because that does not deserve what they're getting. For her to tell him that the City should not get involved, we are involved because that same family votes for their Council Member, there is no separation of a person. His point is that it is unfair for them to tell them that they should, or I can't get involved because he is getting involved, as a former teacher, he is going to do it and his job is to support and give his community what is right.

Samuel Smith, 16803 Imperial Valley Dr., 77060, (346)410-9872 appeared and stated that he knows the prison issue is a real thing because he has an extend prison background and it is hard for him to do anything. If he can't do something for himself at least he wants to do something for his grandkids. He is here today to try to get some help with a job reference, he has a job offer but the employer wants someone to reference him. He is hoping that to get backup from someone, he would appreciate. They have spoken about a lot of issue today and what he is speaking on is important to him. He destroyed most of his life, but he does not want his grandkids to suffer, as the result of his mistakes so, if he can get some help for anyone that is on Council to help him get this job, he would appreciate. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster and Kuboh absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Mr. Smith that he understands that he found a job, but he needs a reference for the job, is that correct? Mr. Smith said yes, and then Mayor Turner asked him if there was someone that knows him personally that can serve as a reference for him and he told

him that Mr. Boykins is in support for him, Mayor Turner stated that they will get information from him, so he can get in contact with Council Member Boykins.

Elsa Caballero, no address, (832)270-3210 appeared and stated that she is the President of SEIU Texas and she is here today to speak about the security contract which she believes that they will be voting on. She first wants to thank them for the time that they took to listen to the concerns that the security officers that are subcontractors by the City and brought it to the City attention, she wanted to report that many of them are in the process of working to still get the money that was owed to them due to the wage theft that was happening. They appreciate how much the City took this issue in the investigation that they did and the process that they allowed the workers to go through. She also wanted to thank them for the position they took when listening to them in private as well as in public and also taking the recommendations that was given as the new RFP process. The reason that they are not, here is because they asked her to come and speak for them is because they are in the process of applying for to work with the new contractor and they wanted her to state to Council that this process is not over for them. They are still seeking back wages that is owed by the previous contractor and they want their voices to be respected with this new contractor. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner thanked Ms. Caballero for coming down and they are looking forward in work with them in these new contracts and in the new contracts they want to make sure in the language there is no wage abuse and the opportunity to move up with better wages and all that stuff is critical important to them.

Cynthia Nauls, 7506 Brushy Court, 77088, (832)748-6489 appeared and stated that she is a native Houstonian and she graduated with an Associate Degree and now she works for Aldine Independent School District. She is here today concerning children grief. She works with grieving children. When someone in the Police Department passes away, they put a stripe covering up their badges and when military passes away or a president passes away they fly the flags at half mass but can someone tell her what they do when a child passes away or that are grieving and she asked her granddaughter what do they do and her granddaughter told her grandmother that they have social media and with that she began to cry bitterly and told her no that they don't have social media for grief, that is not what that is for. She told her granddaughter that she was going to get her a t-shirt. This past year 2 students committed suicide in high school. She wants these children grief to be heard, this year on November 15th was Children Grief Awareness Day, it was the 10th Annual day and on that day Lonestar College on Victory drive, she was present with a nurse that she knew from Church and they sat there from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. min the afternoon listening to children and their grief and how they felt. She went around and collected \$15.00 for a shirt so the children can get a shirt on that day. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster and Kubosh absent.

Mildred Dunn, 1727 Park Harbor Dr., 77084, (832)656-2277 appeared and stated that she works for the City of Houston for 19 years and her husband had worked for Centerpoint Industry for 37 years. They had their home built in 1999 and in 2010 they were approached with Apartment Owners that were adjacent to them, they started an HOA. They told them that they literally had to pay them \$333.00 a year and she refused to pay them. She was put off of her property, out of her house 3 weeks ago and they had to stay in hotels. They now have been forced to pay a new property, but she is here today to tell them that someone needs to have something in place a first step resolution, go before the City Attorney, something needs to be in place that these people just can come and say, "they are HOA and you have to pay me". Forcing people to pay them and if they don't pay them they will get an attorney, and this is Park Harbor Estate Subdivision, its out

by Katy. Council Member Stardig should know her and she also wrote the Mayor a letter as well. They set her furniture outside of her house, her and her husband have worked hard and that someone can come up with a fraud HOA and put them off of their property after they been 20 years.

Mayor Turner asked Ms. Dunn if they seek legal counsel? And she advised that she shouldn't have to pay an attorney for \$20,000.00 for the City should have something already in place for fraud in HOA. These HOA have too much power. Mayor Turner stated that HOAs are governed by the Legislatures and she advised Mayor Turner she has called everyone and received no help. She got no help from the State or Council Member Stardig.

Mayor Turner stated that he recommends Ms. Dunn when someone comes and takes your property, she needs to get a lawyer and if it's fraud she needs to go to the Harris County District Attorney.

Oddis Dunn, 1727 Park Harbor Dr., 77084, (832)656-2277 appeared and stated that he comes from a family of 14 kids, he never been in trouble and worked all of his life and for someone to come into his house and set his stuff outside is not right and for that to happen, he is very upset and very angry and if he did something crazy it would be all over the news. He knows that Legislature is around this and he knows that he was in Legislature for a long time, but something needs to be done on these HOAs because it is out of control.

Mayor Turner advised him that he should get an attorney because if someone puts them out of their home and they been there for 20 years and for an HOA that come into exist recently, he would seek a lawyer. Mr. Dunn advised Mayor Turner the HOA came in 2010 and they moved into their home in 1999 and he doesn't have a lot to say but done is done and he knows that it was wrong in his heart.

Madine Lewis, 914 Skyline Vista, 77019, (713)757-2368 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Kubosh absent.

Ceandra Johnson, 5100 Travis St., 77002, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Kubosh absent.

Deborah Elaine Allen, Post Office Box 2632525, 77027, (713)264-0127 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Kubosh absent.

Halka Milburn, 9510 Triola Ln., 77036, (832)879-0159 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Kubosh absent.

Isiaka Owolabi, Post Office Box 8043, 77288, (832)607-0326 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Kubosh absent.

Cathy Courtney, 1112 E 7 ½ St. (832)677-6766 appeared and stated she wanted to thank District H staff for giving them some suggestions some opinions and with only 3 minutes to speak it is kinda tough. With 6 months of dealing with property line, boundary lines by developers, so her and her husband are not identifying names today because they are threatening with a law suit of \$1,000,575 million dollars if they hamper their business and she will only refer them as d-money.

In April the lovely bungalow next to them has been sold with no notice of variance, no notice of boundary lines, no demolition notices but they got a notice in their mailbox that says, "we intend to tear down the fence". No company name, just a guy's name on it and for months they have suffered from drama, noise, illness, medical cost because of illness and flying debris that broke their window. They asked for advice from neighbors, church friends, they went to the City, contact lawyers but they don't have enough money for legation, but they at least got another survey and the developer got more surveys on 4 more occasions and during that time they were digging up her yard. Inaction with d-money went for silly to super bullying, telling her that they are not going to miss 12 or so inches from their property, they have allowed workers on their property, so the workers can do their job and they didn't complain about the workers but after arguing with the d-money moved the pink flags to the original spot. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Marti, Le, Travis and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner tried to get Ms. Courtney to stop talking because her time was up but she kept getting louder and louder, she was escorted out by Houston Police Officers. Mayor Turner advised her to speak with Rene from the Mayor's Citizens Assistance Office for additional information.

Chidi Chuta, 13030 North Borough Dr., 77606, (832)718-5424 appeared and stated that he Owner/ Operator of Traveler's choice car and he's permanently at the airport. He is presented the problem that they have at the airport which are poor restroom facilities. Then they built them a brand-new restroom, very good looking from a distance and before they let them use that restroom. They removed 8 make shift toilets and now they are serving a long time and serving them well. It is very good looking but there is a long line because there is one urinal and 2 toilets, and there is so many people using that restroom and it doesn't make common sense to build a restroom with only one urinal and 2 toilets, it is torcher, they may even pee in their pants. The solution to this problem is very simple and easy, the 8 make shift toilets that they removed, they need to put it back and it will fix the problem. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, and Kubosh absent.

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

Alberta Young, no address, (832)504-0318 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, and Kubosh absent.

Charlene Promise, no address, (346)978-0044 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, and Kubosh absent.

Daniel Cohen, 2744 Briaihurst Dr. Apt. #12, 77057, (832)489-7643 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, and Kubosh absent.

Sarah Terrell, 916 Key, 77009, (7123)264-1660 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, and Kubosh absent.

Sybil Sybille, no address, (832)576-7213 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, and Kubosh absent.

Minday Wilson, 1026 Chantilly Ln, 77018, (713)405-9984 appeared and stated that she is a mom in HISD and she been following HISD for a long time. She got so involved as they were passing their administration code, around the policies that they were already talking about specifically 1842 and she went to Austin to testify and she thinks it's really important that they talk about this and it's very important that they read about this and this contract give them governess, that is what it does. There is no situation where a board of managers and the School Boards work in tandem and it does not exist in this policy. Juliet Stipeche stated in an interview "if an agreement with HISD were struck, the non-profit envision in assuming control in academics and finances of an undetermined in a number of schools." And that is true, they lose democratic control, the tax payer which is her and it gives control from the managers, that is the agreement made through TEA, please look at the code, look at the administrative code and that is what is happening here. the TEA sees it as a charter, just as Waco, ask other that have gone through the process, the Sate is forcing HISD to do this. This is bad policy and the City doesn't want to involve in bad policy. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Ms. Wilson if the schools are not performing by this academic year the school year. Either the schools will be closed, or they will be taken away, those are the options. The argument should be best made to make to the legislature and they are meet starting the seconded Tuesday in January. He advised her that she made good points, but it is up to the legislature. And again, if the schools don't perform this academic year and the laws that is passed by the State of Texas, there are 2 options. The reason he chooses to get involved in the interest of the kids.

The Assistant City Secretary advised that a previous speaker that was called but was not present at the time, is present now and will be called next.

Daniel Cohen, 2744 Briaihurst Dr. Apt. #12, 77057, (832)489-7643 appeared and stated that he wanted to address this HISD issue as well and he wanted to clarify a few things because he does think miss information is something that hangs over policies a lot of times. Make no mistake anything used around 1842 is either a closure, takeover or a charter. The head of the HISD has said as much and she said it on record, she said it on an Isaiah Show. He wanted to speak on a few points on the non-profit 3 board members individuals and this thing will definitely be an end and a threat for the students on the way that this is being established. He understands the frustration that people have when they see kids that are getting the short end of the stick and the kids that are not having the healthiest day to day life. We have failed the schools and the thing that they need to address is poverty and some of the schools that have the ax on top of them have issue with test scores, but the kids come out bilingual after a year of education. If they think of it in terms of the long-term health of the students, it is a positive thing. The point is that the non-profit that had been established, the players that have been put together it is context with a larger picture in the 1842 can only make things worse. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Mr. Cohen that he is not going to let him come up here and disparage personalities and he is not going to let attempt to take this is a takeover. He lives very close to many of these schools. Mayor Turner and Shelia Jackson Lee have pictures inside the school board

Members of Council questioned and commented to Mr. Cohen about the HISD proposal.

Travis McGee, 4800 Pederson St., 77033, (832)488-7709 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Art Smith, 5309 Sonora St., 77020, (832)258-5776 appeared and stated that all the games they are talking about not being involved with HISD, sitting in front of the podium, him and Congresswoman Shelia Jackson-Lee along with the whole Board. Council Member Davis said that he is involved with his schools, 500 students walked out of Wheatley High School after that got the news of Assistant Principle Sandra Walker was illegally removed but Council Member Davis, he say that he is involved in the school but Senators, State Representatives showed up but he was not there, so don't come here and say "you are involved" because he wasn't there for the students. All these school that are up for sell for a charter is underperformed, under skilled and it is close schools to both Mayor Turner and Council Member Davis. It is not any secret and they got Latham that is corrupt, they can even look it online, she came here from Chicago after a judge found her guilty. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, and Travis absent.

Council Member Christie stated to Mr. Smith that he volunteered at Wheatley High School for a semester and he wanted to defend these individuals, if they didn't care they wouldn't be involved at all in the education. He is going to stand with them and they are going to do what they can to promote education, but they are not going to run it.

Pranav Joshi, 10814 Jaycee Ln., 77024, (980)621-4879 appeared and stated that they agree that education is important, and it has been said several times here, but he heard multiple times that Council voting on this amenity taking over the schools but they all want the schools to succeed. He thinks that they can agree that the current system was rigged by the Legislature to have these schools transferred. Their influence does matter, and they should be pushing more to give more parents power and fighting for problems like poverty, access to the internet and stuff that the City can address. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros and Laster absent.

Koretta Brown-Knox, 5206 Madden Ln., 77048, (713)481-0251 appeared and stated that she heard that the Mayor said it was up to HISD and in regard to the RFP. This is her personal opinion that these are schools such as Wheatley High that are not performing up to their part and need some assistance in getting on track. Having a non-profit similar to a Coalition for excellent and education could be a great idea but the issue that she believes that the problem and speaking against that are the people that have been chosen to lead this board. Maybe the board members can be appointed by community members and this way there can be a redevelopment and trust in the relationship and accountability being held. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros and Laster absent.

Karina Quesada-Leons, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that she is here today as an ex-educator, she is mother of 3 children and she is an education advocate. She is here today requesting that the City of Houston withdraw the offer to charter out our HISD Schools and this entity is called Coalition for Education Excellence and Equity but there is nothing equitable about this. The Texas Administrative codes says that the education programming and government staffing is all for the Charter to decide and if not only left for the Charter to decide it then would not qualify as rules of SB82 and furthermore HISD policies would not extend to those children and parents and teachers. She also wanted to say, why do they keep talking about these problems and talking about the Engineers. They need to be talking about the people who design the system and the millionaire and billionaires that squeeze workers and then turn around and donate money to solve the problem that they create. What about the un-educators that continue to make decisions on education. The policies that are made on educators are often time what is the cause

of the problem. There always need to be a 5% labeled IR and that is why the cut scores are given after the administration of the test. She also wants to say that Juliet Stipeche is on the Board and or also involve with 2 more non-profit that is very much pro charter and one of them Leadership ISD and the other one is Good Reason Houston. She is really unsure how this would be retaining control of our schools. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Ms. Quesada-Leons that much of what she said is not true because he spent a lot of time studying this as well. The focus should always be on the children and there are thousands of children that are schools that underperforming, and they deserve a chance to succeed and many of these schools are in communities that are underserve and under resource. It is a non-profit that is working within the structure of HISD, so it is not a charter but again it is HISD that has the soul decision on what direction it should take, it's up to HISD.

William Beal, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Derek Broze, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that he will be brief because its been a long day and couple of weeks ago, its been 3 weeks and he been discussing with them for about 2 months now about the 5G in cellular technology. He was here the week before Thanksgiving and they had Council Member Stardig ask the Mayor Pro Cohen at the time about efforts on looking into this. They had health concern that is related to 5G, has the City done any health studies and after his comments he would like an answer to that from the Mayor. They do have members that have been e-mailing and calling various City Council Members and they been told to direct their question to the Health Department and told to come to City Council. They are here asking for help again. He wanted to give all of them a little more encouragement and for others that are out their listening that this is not just one person concern with 5G but there are many people questioning it, including scientist, doctors, researchers and last week they had a Senator held a press conference where he called on the head of the FCC to provide the data showing that 5G has been proven safe. The Senator gave him a deadline for December 17th for him to provide this data and with people talking about the schools about the Mayor and City Council close connection to certain industry and how that can influence an issue. The fact that he got awarded the 5G Championship award of December 2018, he would hate to have anything to do with why he responds to any question about 5G. How they haven't discussed safety or lack of safety or why Houston is marching forward in partnering with Verizon without giving the people of this City anything. He is requesting them all to check their e-mails and check their calls because people are e-mailing and calling them about the 5G and having concerns. He keeps coming down to recognized and be place on record that he is coming down and he is not getting any answers. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Mayor Turner stated that he does support 5G.

Marmirian Golez, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that she is here to voice her concerns with the 5G. She recently moved into the loop and the past 5 years her life had been revolved around the City. What concerns her is the health risk and the privacy invasions that maybe presented to Houston with the role out of 5G. She seen the push of 5G on Houstonians for the past few months and visited the temporary set up of the 5G experience that Verizon had offered. From what she sees its easy to sell it for entertainment and convince but yet this selling and promoting it that she spoken too, fail to acknowledge the health and privacy risks with the

new technology. Studies show anything from Cancer to miscarriages and this is a human experiment and that is the way she sees it. She had e-mailed each of the Council Members to request a public hearing period to have a study actually done to see if there would some type of health risk. She will continue educating herself with the best of her abilities and educating her friends and family because that where she really sees the power of change. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Desiree Waller, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Christopher Huston, no address, (832)533-4224 appeared and stated that he wanted to present a new and fun transportation to the City of Houston. He noticed in every 10 years the market of the world and the way that we do things change. They have seen it with the taxi cabs and with the taxi cab then came Uber then to Lift and everyone around the City knows about Uber and everyone around the world knows about Lift. The newest thing that is coming in is the transportation of electrical scooters and been going on around the world and he wanted to present a transportation to where which he has named it Drop. It's where an individual can see a scooter, scan the scooter, ride and when they are done they can drop the scooter where ever that maybe. It also creates easier transportation getting in between the crownness of roads and on top of that it gives the people an opportunity to also make money along with that they have a team of people that would come and pick up the scooters at the end of the night and then recharge the scooters. He wanted to speak to Council to bring this to Houston. Not only is it fun, it is different and it creates further opportunity. Council Members Stardig, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex- Tatum absent.

Members of Council questioned and commented on Mr. Huston scooter idea.

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

At 5:06 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, December 12, 2018, Council Members Stardig, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Pat J. Daniel, Assistant City Secretary read the description or captions of the Items on the Agenda.

The Houston City Council reconvened at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, December 12, 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.; Ronald Lewis, City Attorney, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office present.

At 9:08 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and move to Monthly Financial Report. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster and Robinson 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.

After a 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 Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2018-0637 ADOPTED**

At 9:17 a.m. The Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to call the Public Hearings.

1. **PUBLIC HEARING** regarding seventh amendment to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FIVE (MEMORIAL HEIGHTS ZONE) DISTRICTS C - COHEN and H – CISNEROS**- was presented,

The Assistant City Secretary advised that no one had signed up to speak on the Memorial Heights Zone.

Mayor Turner introduced Jennifer Curry and Gwendolyn Tillotson to the podium; Gwendolyn Tillotson presented a presentation to Members of Council. Copies of which are on file in the City Secretary's office for review.

Mayor Turner asked if there was anyone present that would like to speak on the Public Hearing on Memorial Heights Zone and seeing none, requested a Motion to close the Public Hearing; Council Member Cohen moved to close the Public Hearing on the Memorial Heights Zone and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig, Davis and Travis absent. **MOTION 2018-0638 ADOPTED**

2. **PUBLIC HEARING** regarding fourth amendment to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER EIGHT (GULFGATE ZONE) - DISTRICTS D - BOYKINS and I – GALLEGOS**- was presented,

The Assistant City Secretary advised that no one had signed up to speak on the Memorial Heights Zone.

Mayor Turner introduced Jennifer Curry and Carnell Emanuel to the podium; Carnell Emanuel presented a presentation to Members of Council. Copies of which are on file in the City Secretary's office for review.

Mayor Turner asked if there was anyone present that would like to speak on the Public Hearing on Gulfgate Zone and seeing none, requested a Motion to close the Public Hearing; Council Member Cohen moved to close the Public Hearing on the Gulfgate Zone and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **MOTION 2018-0639 MOTION**

3. **PUBLIC HEARING** regarding fifth amendment to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TEN CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (LAKE HOUSTON ZONE) - DISTRICT E – MARTIN**- was presented,

The Assistant City Secretary advised that people have reserved to speak on the Public Hearing on Lake Houston Zone.

Mayor Turner introduced Jennifer Curry and Gwendolyn Tillotson to the podium; Gwendolyn Tillotson presented a presentation to Members of Council. Copies of which are on file in the City Secretary's office for review.

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

Stan Sarman, 3206 Redwood Lodge Dr., Kingwood, TX, 77339, (281)358-8496 appeared and stated that he is the Chair of the Lake Houston Reinvestment Zone in TIRZ 10 and he thank the Mayor and Members of Council for appointing him that position and he been on it for several years and with him today is one of the other Director and their Administrator. They would like to thank Council and the staff working with them to provide them this presentation today for the extension for the life of the TIRZ and the annexation of the right away of the North Park Dr. and the Kingwood Division Ditch which is actually the easement is with the City already, its just a matter of including it in the TIRZ boundary. They would like to also thank them for the opportunity to modify their plan to go forward with these much-needed improvements on North Park Drive because it really apparent that during Harvey all of the major thoroughfares in accessing in or out of Kingwood were all under water. The plan they have for North Park Dr is to build it to the new City criteria and building above the 500-year flood plan to maintain accessibility in and out of Kingwood. Right now, all the Fire and Police Department services is on the east side I 69 so on the West side in capacity of the road ways and they have no facilities available to them from the Kingwood area. He would deeply like them to approve the Ordinances that is necessary the extension of the life of the TIRZ and for the improvement of their project plan.

Members of Council commented and questioned Mr. Sarman.

Allen Brown, 3714 Fern View, Kingwood, TX, 77345, (281)733-9572 appeared and stated that he lived in Kingwood for about 30 years and he been attending the TIRZ 10 meetings for 7 years. Up to the last month or two he was the only citizen who showed up, so he is kind of proud of that. He wanted to speak about the forced annexation of Kingwood and the entire process disgracefully, the City should be ashamed of its actions for the next 20 years was no better. The CIP Programs that they get from the City are literally a joke and the only money that they get is from the TIRZ. Mayor Bob Lanier stated that they must create a TIRZ for Kingwood because they would never get anything from the City and the TIRZ would be created to benefit the citizens. They have the same roads today that they had 20 years ago when the population was 35,000 people and they estimate that today its around 100,000 people from the census that come from the Police Department. His comment is that it is not safe to live in Kingwood right now. It's reasonable for the City to increase the years of the TIRZ exist because they only get help from the TIRZ. With part 2 of his comment is that they have a problem with the TIRZ. The TIRZ need an overhaul, he would like to see the TIRZ board stop executive session and do everything out in the public so that they can see everything. The second thing is the communication between the Board Members and the Citizens does not exist. Council Member Christie absent.

Council Member Martin thanked Mr. Brown for coming to the meeting and he does attend every TIRZ meeting and he has a passion for Kingwood and he wants to do what is right for Kingwood and they have made statements that this project is long overdue. This should have been done 10 years ago and like everyone knows that during Harvey, they were an island. They couldn't get people in or even out of Kingwood area. They think that they have a good plan and they hope that

they would get some of the Federal funds but the unfortunately thing is for the first time TxDot has released every single project in their scope for funding and his agreement would be for the folks that represent them from HGAC that TxDot have different avenues for funding they can go after Federal dollars and he doesn't think that is appropriate and hopefully people on that Board would make that point that represent them and they appreciate Mr. Brown comments and the work that TIRZ Board does and they look forward to the vote.

Mayor Turner asked if there was anyone else that was present that would like to speak on this Public Hearing? Mayor Turner requested the gentlemen to state his name for the record.

Richard Stoitcis, no address, no phone number, appeared and stated that he been a Kingwood resident since 2001 and he is speaking in favor the extension of the TIRZ and the North Park Project. He wanted to speak about the key findings of the mobility of the study that was reported in 2015. The Condition of the roads substandard by the City Metrics and some of the operability of the roads is graded as an F, in terms of accidents, the accident rate was double the average for the State. He thinks that they are in dire need in moving forward with this project. Council Members Davis and Christie absent.

Council Member Martin stated that Mr. Stoitcis is one of the ones that shows up for a lot of the meetings and another reason why they did this, they put 2 criteria's up front before they venture to this study and the number one factor was safety and the number 2 factor was mobility of the North Park Drive which address both of those factors. It will be a safer road as Mr. Stoitcis and Mr. Brown pointed out the number of accidents that they have had, and is should improve the mobility in the area.

Mayor Turner asked if there anybody else that would like to speak on the Item, seeing none; Mayor Turner requested a motion to close the Public Hearing on Lake Houston Zone.

Council Member Cohen moved to close the Public Hearing on the Lake Houston Zone 10 and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Travis, Kubosh and Christie absent. **MOTION 2018-0640 ADOPTED**

At 9:49 a.m. Mayor Turner stated that they would move to the Mayor's Report

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Turner stated that last week he got to meet with Hoffman Middle school along with Jack Yates High School to just continue the dialogue with young people about preventing violence in schools and neighborhoods and both of those meeting where positive. He looks forward in continuing this dialogue with other students throughout the Houston area. He also wanted to acknowledge Maria Town and requested her to come to the podium.

Mayor Turner wanted to say this young woman is amazing and very dedicated. Maria is the Director of the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities and deserve a special recognition today. She didn't ask for it but she wanted to make sure that they recognize for what she has done in a short period of time in this Office. Last week, in New York she received an International Award for the work that changes the world perception and improves the quality of life with people with disabilities. Only 5 people in the United States and 5 from other Countries receive an award this year from the Viscardi Center which is named as a Premiere Disabilities Advocate. Mayor Turner wanted to thank Maria Town in receiving the award for being one of those 5 in the United States for the great work that she does every single day and for those of us in the City of Houston,

especially people in the disability's community knows what she is doing. He wanted to thank her for this Global Recognition for her service, for her passion and dedication.

Mayor Turner and Members of Council gave her standing ovation for her Global Recognition. Members of Council congratulated Maria Town for her Recognition.

Mayor Turner wanted to make this announcement the U.S. Department Housing and Urban Development, HUD as of yesterday, approved the City of Houston Local Action Plan for Hurricane Harvey Recovery. The City plan for \$1.7 billion dollar in Housing and Recovery Activities included along with Harris County as an Amendment for the Texas Action Plan and this is major hurdle that they faced as they work to rebuild and move forward but not to move back. The City Contract now is with the State that is coming to City Council next week, the contract is a critical next step in accepting Federal funds. Application for the City's Housing Recovery Program will be opening in January 2019 and the City is advocating for local control over Federal Funds for mitigation activities so that Housing and infrastructure investment can be coordinated. This is a major accomplishment. And lastly, before they move to the Agenda, Mayor Turner wanted to extend a Happy Birthday to Council Member Brenda Stardig.

At 10:09 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to call the Agenda

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 5 through 41

PROPERTY - NUMBER 5

5. **RECOMMENDATION** from the City Attorney to deposit the amount of the Award of Special Commissioners into the Registry of the Court, and settle the eminent domain matter in connection with City of Houston v. Braeswood Shopping Center, LTD et al.; Cause No. 1109795, for acquisition of Parcel AY17-206; for the **GREENBRIAR STREET PAVING AND DRAINAGE PROJECT - DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2018-0641 ADOPTED**

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS – NUMBER 9

9. **COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNICATION SERVICES, LLC** of Hardware, Software Licenses and the Installation of a Radio Over Internet Protocol System for the Mayor's Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security - \$66,968.46 - Grant Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0642 ADOPTED**

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 11 through 41

11. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City and the **TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE** for the use of the City's portion of the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery Funds provided through the Texas Plan for Disaster

Recovery: Hurricane Harvey - Round 1, as amended- the Assistant City Secretary advised that Item 11 have not been received and if received during the meeting, it will be considered at the end of the Agenda.

13. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Amendment No. 1 to Lease Agreement by and between the City of Houston, Texas and **ROCKET MAN AVIATION, LLC**, for certain premises at Ellington Airport - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0985 ADOPTED**
18. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2016-0459 to increase the maximum contract amount; approving and authorizing first amendment to Contract between the City and **the UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON** for Behavioral Surveillance Services \$700,000.00 - Grant Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0986 ADOPTED**
21. **ORDINANCE** enlarging the boundaries of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER EIGHT, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (GULFGATE ZONE)** - **DISTRICTS D - BOYKINS and I – GALLEGOS**- the Assistant City Secretary advised that Item 21 have been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.
33. **ORDINANCE** establishing north and south sides of the **2200-2300 blocks of Wentworth St.**, within the City of Houston, Texas, as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0987 ADOPTED**
36. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing First Amendment to Sole Source Contract Approved by Ordinance 2017-0452 between the **City of Houston** and **ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, INC** for an Enterprise License Agreement and Related Services for Houston Information Technology Services- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0988 ADOPTED**
41. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Contract between the City of Houston and **MASTERTON ADVISORS LLC** for Financial Advisory Services for the Finance Department; providing a maximum contract amount - \$747,750.00 - Enterprise and Other Funds- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0989 ADOPTED**

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Convention & Entertainment Facilities Department for approval of **HOUSTON FIRST CORPORATION'S** Calendar Year 2019 Budget- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0643 ADOPTED**

6. **TOMMIE VAUGHN MOTORS, INC** for Ford Motor Car/Light Truck Replacement Parts and Repair Services for the Fleet Management Department - 3 Years with two one-year options \$7,295,663.50 - Fleet Management Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0644 ADOPTED**
7. **AMEND MOTION #2017-0324, 6/28/2017, TO INCREASE spending authority** from \$1,070,300.00 to \$1,630,300.00 for Sock Style Structural Firefighting Hoods for the Houston Fire Department, awarded to **LION FIRST RESPONDER PPE, INC** - General Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0645 ADOPTED**
8. **JETS FIRE & SAFETY, INC dba DELTA INDUSTRIAL SERVICE & SUPPLY** - \$1,162,680.00 and **RULES OF ENGAGEMENT TACTICAL, LLC** - \$187,200.00 for Ballistic Vests, Plates, and Helmets for the Houston Fire Department - 3 Years with two one-year options- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0646 ADOPTED**
10. **SAFETY RX SERVICES & SUPPLY CORP.** Prescription Safety Glasses for Houston Public Works - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$361,689.25 - Enterprise and Other Funds- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0647 ADOPTED**
12. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2017-0612, to increase the maximum contract amount for an agreement for Legal Services between the City and **DENTON NAVARRO ROCHA BERNAL & ZECH, P.C.** for Legal Representation of the City of Houston in Houston Professional Fire Fighters' Association, Local 341, Plaintiff vs. City of Houston, Texas, Defendant, pending in Cause No. 2017-42885 in the 234th Judicial District Court of Harris County, Texas - \$185,500.00 Property & Casualty Fund- was presented and tagged by Council Members Travis, Kubosh and Laster.
14. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Lease Agreement by and between the City of Houston, Texas and **MARATHON OIL COMPANY**, for certain premises at George Bush Intercontinental Airport - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig, Le and Knox absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0990 ADOPTED**
15. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Subaward Agreement between the City of Houston and **THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON** for the FY18 Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0991 ADOPTED**
16. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$734,000.00 out of Parks Consolidated Construction Fund, \$64,000.00 out of Contributed Capital Project Fund, \$24,000.00 out of Parks & Recreation Dedication Fund, and \$7,000.00 out of Reimbursement of Equipment/Projects Fund as an appropriation to the Professional Landscape Architectural Task Order Program for FY2019 for the Houston Parks and Recreation Department (Approved by Ordinance Number 2014-0403)- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0992 ADOPTED**

17. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Subaward Agreement between the City of Houston and **WILLIAM MARSH RICE UNIVERSITY** for the Houston Health Department Bureau of Community and Children's Environmental Health related to Childhood Lead Exposure Risk Research; providing a maximum contract amount - \$98,712.00 - Grant Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0993 ADOPTED**

19. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **SPARK, INC** for the Management and Construction of improvements to certain school playgrounds as public parks and recreational facilities; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0994 ADOPTED**

20. **ORDINANCE** relating to the rescheduling or postponement of certain City Council Meetings- was presented, during discussion Council Member Kubosh presented an Amendment.

Council Member Kubosh moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of amending the following Item to change Spring Break week to March 17-23, 2018 and seconded by Council Member Stardig, Council Members Stardig and Kubosh voting aye, balance voting no. **MOTION 2018-0648 FAILED**

After further discussion, a vote was called, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0995 ADOPTED**

22. **ORDINANCE** enlarging the boundaries of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (LAKE HOUSTON ZONE) - DISTRICT E – MARTIN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0996 ADOPTED**

23. **ORDINANCE** approving the fifth amended Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (LAKE HOUSTON ZONE)**; authorizing the City Secretary to distribute such plan extending the duration of the Zone to December 31, 2048 - **DISTRICT E - MARTIN** **This item should only be considered after passage of Item 22 above-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0997 ADOPTED**

24. **ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **734 Arlington Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented and tagged by Council Member Kubosh.

25. **ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **620 Columbia Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented and tagged by Council Member Kubosh.

26. **ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **1832 Columbia Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented and tagged by Council Member Kubsoh.
27. **ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **3605 Del Monte Drive** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT G – TRAVIS-** was presented and tagged by Council Member Kubosh.
28. **ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **501 Highland Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS-** was presented and tagged by Council Member Kubosh.
29. **ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **529 Highland Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS-** was presented and tagged by Council Member Kubosh.
30. **ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historical structure at **712 Main Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS-** was presented and tagged by Council Member Kubosh.
31. **ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **401 Sul Ross Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented and tagged by Council Member Kubosh.
32. **ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **339 W. 19th Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT C COHEN-** was presented and tagged by Council Member Kubosh.
34. **ORDINANCE** releasing certain territory consisting of approximately 14.510 acres of land, located at 42146 US Highway 290 Business, Waller County, Texas, from the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, Texas; imposing certain conditions- was presented and tagged by Council Member Stardig.
35. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing First Amendment to Task Order Contract for Professional Architectural Services between the City of Houston and **ENGLISH +**

ASSOCIATES ARCHITECTS, INC and **PROZIGN, INC**; amending Ordinance Number 2013-1201 (Passed on December 18, 2013) to increase the maximum contract amount- was presented and tagged by Council Member Boykins.

37. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing First Amendment of Derivative Agreement for **TEXAS DIR-TSO-2247 (Passed by Ordinance 2015-1286)** between the City of Houston and **GENESIS NETWORKS ENTERPRISES, LLC**, to extend the term of the agreement for a Contingent Workforce Vendor Management System for the Human Resources Department- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0998 ADOPTED**
38. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing First Amendment to Contract between the City of Houston and **ANGEL BROTHERS ENTERPRISES, LTD.** for Asphaltic Pavement Overlay Services (as Approved by Ordinance No. 2015-0025) - 1 Year - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0999 ADOPTED**
39. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Second Amendment to Agreement between the City of Houston and **ARAMARK CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, INC** for Food Services for the Houston Police Department Jail (Approved by Ordinance No. 2011-0796, as amended) - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-1000 ADOPTED**
40. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Contract between the City of Houston and **HOUSTON ARTS ALLIANCE** for Professional Civic Art and Conservation Administration Services for the General Services Department and the Houston Airport System; providing a maximum contract amount - 5 Years- was presented and tagged by Council Members Travis, Gallegos and Laster.
42. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2015-0858 (Passed on September 9, 2015) to increase the maximum contract amount for Contract No. 4600013438 for the Contract between the **City of Houston** and **TDINDUSTRIES, INC** for Facility Operations, Maintenance, and Repair Services for Various Departments - \$8,570,072.25 - Enterprise and Other Funds- was presented and tagged by Council Member Edwards.
43. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Contract between the City of Houston and **UNIVERSAL PROTECTION SERVICES, LP dba ALLIED UNIVERSAL SECURITY SERVICES** for Security Guard Services for Various Departments; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$46,817,893.52 - General and Other Funds- was presented and tagged by Council Member Laster.
44. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Amended and Restated Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas and **UNITED AIRLINES, INC**, for the Redevelopment of Terminals at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston to support International Service **DISTRICT B – DAVIS**- was presented and tagged by Council Member Travis.
45. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$33,188,883.00 out of HAS Consolidated ITRP AMT Construction Fund and \$541,710.00 out of HAS Airports Improvement Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Services Contract between the City of Houston and **HELLMUTH, OBATA and KASSABAUM, LP.** for Architectural and Engineering Design Services for the Federal Inspection Services Renovation and Expansion Project at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston (Project No. 828); providing funding for the Civic Art Program - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS**- was presented and tagged by Council Member Travis and Stardig.

46. ORDINANCE appropriating \$28,529,437.00 out of HAS Consolidated ITRP AMT Construction Fund and \$351,313.00 out of HAS Airports Improvement Fund and approving and authorizing Construction Manager-At-Risk Services Contract between the City of Houston and **HENSEL PHELPS CONSTRUCTION CO** for the Federal Inspection Services Renovation and Expansion Project at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston (Project No. 828); providing funding for engineering testing services and the Civic Art Program - **DISTRICT B DAVIS**- was presented and tagged by Council Member Travis and Stardig.

MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 47 and 48

47. ORDINANCE approving the issuance of bonds and notes by the **SAINT GEORGE PLACE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY - DISTRICTS G - TRAVIS and J - LASTER**
TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LASTER
This was Item 27 on Agenda of December 5, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2018-1001 ADOPTED

Council Member Cohen moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of remaining in session beyond the scheduled 12:00 noon recess to complete Agenda and seconded Council Member Laster, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0649 ADOPTED**

48. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing eighteen agreements for performing arts organizations and/or musicians between the City of Houston and **APOLLO CHAMBER PLAYERS; ARS LYRICA HOUSTON; AXIOM QUARTET INC.; BOB CHADWICK TRIO**, a sole proprietorship operated by Robert Chadwick; **DIVISI STRINGS, LLC; ENTERTAINMENT CONNECT LLC; EDDIE AKHMETCHINE TRIO**, a sole proprietorship operated by Eddie Akhmetchine; **GERLING-MUT DUO**, a sole proprietorship operated by Ingrid Hunter; **MARK PRAUSE; MUSIQA; MYSTERY LOVES COMPANY**, a partnership operated by Carlos A. Machado and **MADLINE HERDEMAN; PAMELA YORK JAZZ TRIO**, a sole proprietorship operated by Pamela York; **PAUL ENGLISH JAZZ QUARTET**, a sole proprietorship operated by Paul English; **RETROSPECT**, a sole proprietorship operated by Eric Charles Kaposta; **SOLERO FLAMENCO LLC; STEPHANIE GUSTAFSON-AMFAHR; THE DANCEWICZ-DOUCET DUO**, a sole proprietorship operated by Dominika Danecwicz; and **ANTHONY HENRY** for the Houston Airport System; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options \$3,000,000.00 - Enterprise Fund - **DELAYED BY MOTION #2018-636, 12/5/18**
This was Item 58 on Agenda of December 5, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2018-1002 ADOPTED

Council Member Kubosh released his tag on Items 24-32.

24. ORDINANCE providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **734 Arlington Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent.
ORDINANCE 2018-1003 ADOPTED

- 25. ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **620 Columbia Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-1004 ADOPTED**
- 26. ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **1832 Columbia Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-1005 ADOPTED**
- 27. ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **3605 Del Monte Drive** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT G – TRAVIS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-1006 ADOPTED**
- 28. ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **501 Highland Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-1007 ADOPTED**
- 29. ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **529 Highland Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-1008 ADOPTED**
- 30. ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historical structure at **712 Main Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-1009 ADOPTED**
- 31. ORDINANCE** providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **401 Sul Ross Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Christie absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-1010 ADOTPED**

32. ORDINANCE providing for an ad valorem tax exemption on a historic site at **339 W. 19th Street** in Houston, Texas; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for the revocation of such tax exemption and the recapture of taxes upon the occurrence of stated events; providing for severability - **DISTRICT C COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Christie absent.
ORDINANCE 2018-1011 ADOPTED

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 12:13 p.m. Mayor Turner, Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Knox, Robinson, Kubosh, Edwards and Christie absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

MINUTES READ AND APPROVED

Pat J. Daniel, Assistant City Secretary

