City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, December 18, 2018

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 18, 2018; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Martha Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Randy Zamora, Legal Department, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office present. Council Member Dwight Boykins absent on personal business.

At 1:43 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and stated they would start with the presentations. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox and Edwards absent.

Council Member Gallegos stated that BARC Animal Shelter and Adoptions is Houston’s municipal animal shelter and adoption facility. As such, BARC serves as Houston’s rabies and animal control authority, while dedicated to a live release initiative. The animal shelter is strongly supported by the Houston BARC Foundation and Proler Industries. BARC Animal Shelter and Adoptions focuses on excellent customer service at the adoption facility and in the field in order to continuously improve BARC’s goodwill among Houstonians. BARC believes that to become the best municipal shelter in the United States, every customer should expect legendary service; BARC Animal Shelter and Adoptions has built a best-in-class team that stewards the mission of professionalism, responsibility, compassion, commitment, integrity and accountability. Customer accounts of the service received by team members are used to select a BARC Legendary Service honoree each quarter. December 11, 2018, BARC Animal Shelter and Adoptions will recognize dedicated employees with the BARC Legendary Service Award. The City of Houston commends Hugo Parrales for demonstrating exceptional customer service and extends best wishes to BARC Animal Shelter and Adoptions for continued success and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed December 11, 2018, as BARC Legendary Service Award Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Council Member Christie stated that Theresa Lizbeth DeMayo is a model, actress, motivational speaker and a Texas state representative for the Be Strong Bullying Prevention National Organization. She is very passionate and proactive in helping to improve the lives of children in the world and making the school environment a more positive and productive place for students, teachers and staff. Theresa Lizbeth DeMayo also strives to make schools a safer, more productive environment by sharing her personal story as a former victim of bullying. Her goal is to lower the youth suicide rate and ultimately create an all-inclusive community throughout Texas. She also volunteers in many organizations such as Be Strong, Macy’s Miracles and We See Abilities, among several others; and on December 19, 2018, Theresa Lizbeth DeMayo will be recognized for her accomplishments in the community. The City of Houston commends and appreciates Theresa Lizbeth DeMayo on her amazing feats, generosity, altruistic spirit and extends best wishes for continued success and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed December 19, 2018, Theresa Lizbeth DeMayo Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.
Council Member Castex-Tatum 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. The Cajun Navy is a collective of private boat owners who perform search and rescue efforts in Louisiana and adjacent areas. Members of the Cajun Navy are all volunteers that are highly organized, trained, equipped and prepared to immediately start rescuing flood victims. Formed following the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, the Cajun Navy has since launched rescue operations for every major storm and flood, including the 2016 Louisiana floods, Hurricane Irma, and Tropical Storm Gordon, among many others. After Hurricane Harvey made landfall, groups operating under the auspices of the Cajun Navy, including the Louisiana Cajun Navy, made a 300-mile deployment to Houston with an assorted fleet of bass boats, johnboats and pirogues. Their crews worked in tandem with local and federal first responders to perform an estimated 5,000 water rescues and distribute much-needed supplies to hurricane flood victims. On November 15, 2018, the Louisiana Cajun Navy will be honored for its selfless contributions and active involvement during Hurricane Harvey recovery efforts. The City of Houston commends and appreciates the crew of the Louisiana Cajun Navy for their compassion during a historic disaster, as their selflessness is greatly appreciated by the many people who benefited from their unwavering generosity and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed November 15, 2018, as Louisiana Cajun Navy Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Martin and Le absent.

At 2:11 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Edwards for the Invocation and the Pledge and Council Member Edwards invited Reverend Gregory Han to offer the Invocation and Council Member Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Roll was Called. Council Member Dwight Boykins absent on personal business.

Council Member Cohen moved to adopt the minutes of July 17-18, 2018 and July 20, 2018 and delay the balance and seconded by Council Member Davis all voting aye, nays none. MOTION ADOPTED

Mayor Turner stated that they are preparing to go to the Public Session and of course this part of the session, they wanted to listen carefully to each one of the speakers. In this part of the session, they don’t allow clapping, booing or outburst from the audience and if they want to show support for the speakers, they can do it by standing or they can wave their hands but again no clapping. We also have a very long list of speakers which means there are some special rules because of the number of the speakers and her requested Assistant City Secretary Pat J. Daniel to read the section of Rule 8.

Assistant City Secretary Pat J. Daniel stated not without standing the provisions of subsection of A, if the total the times requested by speakers at any Council Meeting is greater than 150 minutes. the Mayor announce that each speakers time shall be one minute, furthermore when the provision of the subsection is invoking the question time for the City Council Members will a cumulative total of one minute and each speaker this is only one minute and combine questioning time for each speaker.

At 2:18 p.m. Mayor Turner stated that each speaker will get one minute and the whole Council will have one minute to respond and now the Mayor requested the Assistant City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

Dan Price, 14 Remington Ln., 77005, (713)292-8784 appeared and stated that he is the Trustee for the City Side Trust and he wanted to thank all of the City Council that has been done and the
part of Houston Public Works to address a very difficult situation in his neighborhood. His neighborhood was founded in 1919 and it is very old and was tied into the public and private sides and for the last 10 years they have been working on a very complicated situation, have come up with a solution. Thanks to the great efforts in the Houston Public Works Department and they thankful for Item 34. Council Member Davis and Edwards absent.

Salvador Herrera, 4126 North Field Ln., 77092, (832)388-6608 appeared and stated that he lives in District A and he is organizer for the International of Painters and Ally Trades. He wanted to thank the Mayor and the City Council for considering their suggestions for the changes and for the hard work on the current Multi-Family Program Guidelines and he is also standing here today for hos mother, who was a seamstress and had to fight for high wages and their parents did an amazing job to hide them that they were poor. He joined the Labor Unit and today he fights to make sure all workers have a living wage for families like his own. The City of Houston ensures the Multi-Family Guidelines clearly define the labor rate as a living wage for all. Council Members Davis and Edwards absent.

Nick Wersch, 621 Ridge St., 77009, (281)796-0069 appeared and stated that he is Staff Attorney for Workers Defense Project here in Houston and he wanted to thank them for their hard work that they have been doing in the Multi-Family Guidelines Program. Immigration rights and Worker rights, an organization that build power for the low-income workers in Texas. In the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey as the go forward to repair the roads and rebuild and its anticipated immigrants’ workers will be heightening to more exploitation including wage theft and unsafe work conditions. They want the City of Houston to have higher standards for workers protection on the rebuilding. Beyond the minimal legal requirements and they want Council to ensure that compliance of those higher standards for workers. Construction work can of any kind can be dangerous, but recovery brings its own unique danger in the wake of Harvey for workers in in the rebuilding deserve to have these heighten protections. Council Members Le and Edwards absent.

Wayne Lord, no address, (713)3592 appeared and stated that he is a Business Manager has a Plumber’s Local 68, representing over 2,000 people throughout the Greater Houston area. They appreciate all the work that are done on all the Multi-Family Program Guidelines by the Housing and Community Development Office. It’s their understanding Director McCasland has committed Worker Labor to ensure worker protection on safety standards are implemented has they move forward during the rebuild process, they believe the program will enhance in provide career training jobs to Veterans, 2nd Chance and other underutilized citizens in Houston and provide more job opportunities to the Houstonians with the greatest need in the most effective areas in the City and thank them for taking a negative impact of a natural disaster and then turning it into an opportunity. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner thanked Mr. Lord for coming down and he had spoken with Director McCasland and he will be working with them.

Members of Council commented and questioned Mr. Lord.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Gallegos for a procedural motion; Council Member Gallegos moved that the rules for the purpose of moving Gracie Armijo after Hany Khalil and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le and Knox absent. MOTION 2018-0650 ADOPTED

Chato Woodard, no address, (713)869-3592 appeared and stated that he is Vice President of Directive Marketing Plumber Union 68 in Houston. He would like to thank everyone for their hard work on the current Multi-Family Housing Program Guidelines. Joining the Plumber Ship Program
and training taught him worker protection and he advocates for it every day in his marketing world to their members. Labor and Community understand the need to get the rebuilding process sent away quickly and what they want is that the City Council ensure construction workers are highly safe and well trained. 1 out 4 construction workers in the State working in Houston. They can’t fail to have high protective policies to protect men and women. He main thing he wants to push is safety. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le and Knox absent.

Hany Khalil, 1239, Alexander St., 77008, (281)714-5377 appeared and stated that he is the Executive Director at the Texas Gulf Coast Labor Federation, Teacher by training and they want to really express appreciation to all of City Council and Mayor Turner and Director McCasland at the Housing Department and the Housing Department staff for committing to work with them incorporating their Build Houston Program into the Multi-Family Housing that are going to be up. He is really excited about that and they are looking forward in work out the details and very appreciative of the support they have received. They do want to see good job standards, improve workers compensation, making sure there is a strong health and safety training and access to health care. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin and Le absent.

Gracie Armijo, 4924 Rusk St., 77023, (713)730-8903 appeared and stated that she is representing the Texas Organization Project and the Home Coalition. They appreciate all of the hard work that has gone into the finaly draft. TOP and Home Coalition support the City for these efforts to deepen the community engagement as they move forward to develop program requirements. They support Mayor Turner commitment in making historical progress ensuring that every Houstonian that has a safe and affordable place to live and they look forward in working with the Administration in moving forward in helping all communities. Council Members Martin, Le and Laster absent.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Kubosh for a procedural motion; Council Member Kubosh moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of moving Carmen Ivonne after Gracie Armijo and seconded by Council Member Gallegos, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Martin, Le and Laster absent. MOTION 2018-0651 ADOPTED

Carmen Ivonne, 4922 Rusk St., 77023, (832)224-4864 appeared and stated that she is a TOP Member. The Members appreciate the work and work safety. It is important to all communities. They support Mayor Turner commitment to low-income workers. Thank him for his hard work and thank you for the first step and thanked him for the programs guidelines and for them to continue. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le and Laster absent.

Andrea Segovia, 8410 W. Eartell Dr., 77054, (210)324-0053 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le and Laster absent.

Bruce Rieser, no address, (713)628-3422 appeared and stated that he is the President/CEO SKR Consulting and he represents the international carrier at Bush Intercardinal Airport that serves in terminal D. He is here today to speak in support Agenda Items 46, 47, & 48. He has been in the aviation industry for 40 years and he had been working at IAH since 1989 and he was one of the original people who work on the terms on the original terminal and this needs to be replace. They City of Houston deserves a better deal and it is important to the City that they expand and improve our facilities because they are falling behind, and we need to keep up. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le and Laster absent.

Thomas Bartram, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le and Laster absent.
Susan Aiello, 1415 Elridge Parkway, 77077, (832)579-4533 appeared and stated that she is speaking for voters from District G and she is also here to speak in favor in Ordinance 16 that is on the Agenda, this Ordinance would provide $130,000.00 in community development block grant fund to the Coalition for the homeless in Houston and Harris County. One group that the Coalition would like to address is the Homeless Youth Counting and with research determined that 25% of their youth homeless was in the LGBTQ Community. the Coalition plan will address the needs of this particular identified group. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Gallegos and Laster absent.

Courtney Sellers, 107 Estelle St., 77003, (832)579-4533 appeared and stated that she lives in District C and she is also here to ask the Council to approve Item 16. She is an Executive Director at Montrose Space which is a safe place for homeless youth in the City of Houston and 50% of the youth are identified as LGBTQ, 90% of the youth is youth of color and only 9% of the youth are white and she wanted to share a quick successful story for the remainder of her time. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos and Laster absent.

Ashley Dellagiacoma, 4327 Oxford St., 77002, (512)940-3202 appeared and stated that she serves a Kindred Lutheran Church in the Montrose area and quarter of their congregation sleeps on the streets, cars, or couches and many of them are LGBTQ which are more likely to experience homelessness. She knows that many of the Council Members have heard the stories, in the past year are so. She just wanted to highlight one story that was last week, Jesus have been part of their community for a couple of years now and last week when he didn’t receive his finally paycheck from his job, he was no longer able to afford housing at one of their local shelters. He came to her for resources to get out of the cold and he has been sleeping on the front porch of the Church, they sat down on Sunday and went through website from the Coalition for the Homeless to find him some resources. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos and Laster absent.

Members of Council thanked her for her service and Mayor Turner advised Ms. Dellagiacoma to speak with Mark Eichenbaum and he can help her.

Brad Pritchett, 1044 Alexander St., 77008, (713)898-9734 appeared and stated that he is resident of District C and he is also here to request them to support Item 16, the Grant Fund for the Coalition for the Homeless and homelessness is a crisis in Houston and in particular the LGBTQ youth. The funds would have a positive impact on the homelessness in Houston. There is a lot of hate and bigotry in the world and there are people who prefer to attack the LGBQ people. Sometimes the choice in coming out might mean homelessness and being rejected by their family. A lot of the time people come to this Council asking them “to think of the children” and in this situation he is asking them to think of the LGBTQ children. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos and Laster absent.

Lou Weaver, 1609 Castle Ct., 77006, (832)265-0342 appeared and stated that he is resident of District C and he is here like Brad that we need to support LGBTQ Youth and he knows that it is not the first time he has stood in front of them and like Brad said remember the children as they are going forward. Making sure that they are doing enough to that they have a positive place to come out and place that they are supported, a place they can be seen because the know the statistics. The LGBTQ homeless youth are suffering from suicidality and as long as they know that they have a safe place to go with support these young people have a stronger chance of surviving. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos and Laster absent.
Council Member Cohen thanked Mr. Weaver along with Brad and the others that are here and Members from District C, they appreciate what they are doing for the community and taking the time to come down here to speak about this about our youth.

Rachel Rees, 2255 Braeswood Park Dr. Apt. 247, 77030, (971)777-4873 appeared and stated she is here for anti-panhandler ads, bars on benches, with anti-loitering laws and Houston has a problem with excluding the homeless. For 20 to 40% of homeless youth, they are most likely there because of their parents because of their sexual orientation. She wants to encourage for this item so that they can end homelessness and end the exclusion and allow people to be themselves.

Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos and Laster absent.

Maria Gonzalez, 8111 DeLeon St., 77061, (713) 301-2912 appeared and stated that she is a proud member Council Member Gallegos District and she is here to speak on a personal story about a young man that was aged out of Foster Care, ended up on the streets and by a miracle happen to walk to UH Downtown. UH Downtown they were having a recruiting day and he was just going in there to go to the bathroom and cool for a little bit and by share luck, he asked what was going on, they asked who he was. He found out as a foster child in the State of Texas he had all type of resources available to him, that he was never told about. They need support and which you guy as the Mayor and Council Members are doing that.

Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos and Laster absent.

Mayor Turner allowed Ms. Gonzalez to finish her comment and Council Member Cisneros thanked her for all that she does for the community.

Greg Broyles, no address, (713)454-9928 appeared and stated that he is resident of District H and 32-year resident of Houston and he loves this City. He has 2 daughters that were raised in this City and they are both products of HISD Education, the younger one is with him today, she is a student at Bellaire High School. During this era of dissolution and hate. Him and his daughter frequently talk about what is going on in the City of Houston and both of them have participated with him in feeding the homeless, both of them are aware of the LGBTQ community. His daughter knows some kids at her school being homeless because they were kicked out of their home and these are students that are trying to get an education and trying to better themselves. He urges them to vote in favor of Item 16. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos and Laster absent.

Shelly Kennedy, 706 Sue Barnett Dr., 77018, (713)822-7688 appeared and stated a resident of District C and she is hoping to get the Council to vote yes to Item 16. 40% to 50% of homeless children are the LGBTQ youth and about 25% to 35% in Houston. Research suggest that this is primarily the hostility and abuse from the young people’s families which leads to eviction or running away. If they vote yes and provide these great shelters and resources and they give them the chance to start a better life.

Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos and Laster absent.

Adam Oganowski, 1126 Berthea, 77006, (281)787-1654 appeared and stated that he would like to echo some of the comments from the other speakers about Item 16 and wish that Council will pass it to provide funds to the Coalition for the Homeless. They need to direct those funds and future funds regarding homeless toward LGBTQ, women who suffer domestic abuse, people of color and that they need to put thee people who been targeted and put them on the right path. A lot of the LGBTQ community youth are ages from 15 years old to 18 years old. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.
Mayor Turner stated that the number one priority is to provide housing and that is why this item is very, very important because the people that are homeless, some are young, some of them middle age and older. There are some like the persons that have been spoken about today whose has been forced out not because of mental behavior or health issue but because they have been rejected because of who they are, and we need to provide them with supporting housing.

Carlos Campos, Jr. 911 Avenue A, South Houston TX, 77587, (832)423-7116 appeared and stated that we are a City with a lot of diversity, it is very unfair to him that many people of his age 15 to 18 and then 18 to 24 who are still starting off with their life or just starting off on their education. Who are kicked out of their homes just because they are in a different cultural, a different belief system from their parents and he believes that they should get more funding for the youth, so they can continue with their education because many of them have completed High school or are in High School. They can have that necessary step process, they can move on with their life and be a success. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Lois Meyers, 9701 Westview Dr., 77055, (713)775-2443 appeared and stated that since she is talking about TIRZ 17, verbalizing it doesn’t explain it, so she presented a poster with a map showing the TIRZ 17 annexing land for beautification, along with the Hike and Bike Trial when they haven’t put in their 4 dentition ponds. 2 up North of I10 and 2 South of I10 which they promised to that in the contract in 2003. Council have the authority over the TIRZ and they can do it because she has sent them a lot of information and this poster shows where these ponds needs to go. With TIRZ original agreement and commitments in putting these ponds to help prevent flooding. Is Council going to allow them to put in a sidewalk. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Phong Huynh, 805 Lockmoor, 77089, (832)328-6446 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Jane Henry, 1111 Rosalie, 77004, (281)623-1448 appeared and stated that she is here to invite you to an event that is happening on January the 8th, outside of these doors at Hermann Square from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. and it is called #Seeherwork and their mission are to get more women into job opportunities that are experiencing massive labor shortages. 6 million women put their lives at risk with ill feeling, work equipment and 150 die each year as result and research will show of an awareness but there is no action for over 20 years but the research does tell them when they do look at it, is that the clothing and the equipment don’t fit, they don’t get the coaching and mentorship that they want and because they can’t get that, they are either isolated or they isolate themselves and for all of these reasons women exit these roles. If they don’t take action their STEM Education will not parley into these careers that is right now closest to equal pay. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Council Member Davis allowed Ms. Henry to finish her statement and asked when the event was and what time it was.

Lonnie McCaskell, no address, (832)994-9340 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Emmanuel Thomas, no address, (832)931-1469 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.
Fran Watson, 33515, 77027, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

John Musachia, 1603 Reed Rd., 77087, (832)329-9103 appeared and thanked them for giving him a chance to provide a security system to protect our schools and any citizen. He is here to beg them to consider his security system, he been in the security business since 1981 using bulger bars, advance systems like ADTs which is the monitor system. He has a security system that it would take 911 to the next phase by 10 and he is asking for help to provide the system for Homeland security, after Santa Fe he has tried to speak to different people and the Governor have asked for inventive ways to take care of the system. He believes that he has the system that would work, it is none lethal, and anyone can contact him at any time. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Thuy Nguyen, 7506 Andiron Circle, 77041, (281)840-7603 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Deborah Allen, Post Office Box 263252, 77027, (713)264-0127 appeared and stated that all of these prisoners have been locked up has been are like secret agents, with different names and information. So many of the crimes that they committed, it's because they knew of related to engaging and buying business and lives of a prisoners on large scale of trust and dangerous readiness and such bid to take power or ability to originate something to set up permanently. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Beverly Roberts, 14223 Lost Meadow, 77079, (832)443-8109 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Robbie Lilly, 12946 Knotty Glen Ln., 77072, (832)4427 appeared and stated that she is the CEO and Founder of Disciple Pathway Missionaries and the reason for standing before them today is her concern in opposition to the Drag Queen Story Time to be read in the Public Libraries. As a citizen of Houston born and raise this brings great concerns to her not only for her community but for her future grandchildren as soon as her sons are adults. For young children to be infuse in this manner it really serves as an attack against them and their future. Her hope and her Pray that this doesn't happen in our Public Libraries or the Public Vendors. Council Members Boykins, Travis, Laster and Robinson absent.

Council Member Kubosh stated to Ms. Lilly is that the last time this came to them in Council which he wasn't present because of family obligations and there were a number of speakers, his concerns is that their greatest possession in the City of Houston is our children. So, if they were wanting to build a building they would do an engineering study, they would want to test the soil to make sure everything is right before we build the building. With a program like this what concerns him is, is there any negative effects on the long-term effect on these children and he will be asking the Mayor to do a study and to see if there is any benefit to this or harmfulness to this.

Michael Fernandez, 4915 Bryant Ridge Rd., 77053, (281)685-0542 appeared and stated that he respects all of the Council Members and he is an ex-transgender and yes, it does affect the children because him as a child, his grandmother used to dress him up as a girl. He does have pictures of what he uses to be like and he is against this Drag Queen Story Time because it violates his constitution, no matter who it is. Using a government facility with tax payer's money no religious organization could use a government facility and it violates our constitution base on
that, that is why he is against the Drag Queen Story Time and he sees both sides and thinks that studies should be done. Council Members Boykins, Travis and Laster absent.

Council Member Kubosh stated to Mr. Fernandez that he want a child psychologists to do a study on this and to find out if there’s benefits or not because this is important, the City of Houston spent $550,000.00 on a PFM study to try to give them a 10 year plan and if they can spend money on something like that, then they need to spend the money on the most prized possession that the City owns and that is our little children and if the report comes back with something dealthmental or if something needs to change, then they need to change it but he would request the Mayor to suspend it until they do study and have child psychologists look at this.

Mayor Turner stated to Council Member Kubosh, instead asking the Mayor, why not go and visit their parents because it is their parents that are bring them. Before directing it to his direction to please bare in mind it is the parents that are bring their kids.

Tracey Shannon, 15 Enchanted Woods, Kingwood, TX, 77339, (281)785-8968 appeared and stated that she has an idea, lets just have transgender story time at the library and she will start with her story which isn’t a happy story, but it is a true story, it includes children being told they can no longer call their father, dad. Its about her teen son constantly asked if he is gay which she almost was made homeless by a husband that was in transition, to put her children on the transgender pride float every year. A transgender threatening to murder her and her children. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Travis and Laster absent.

Members of Council commented and questioned Ms. Shannon.

Beverly Bacchus, no address, (832)944-7086 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Travis and Laster absent.

Annie Sam, 250 Eldorado, Webster, TX, 77598, (832)388-0030 appeared and stated that she is a retired Doctor that is from India and she came to this Nation to give her children a higher education and to also stand on the Christian values which they have great pride in this Nation. Her husband works hard, and his tax dollars are supposed to be used for good and not to be used at Drag Queen Story Telling in a Public Library that is funded by the tax payer’s money. It is harmful to our children and the values which they stand for and paid a great price for their faith. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Travis and Laster absent.

Council Member Kubosh thanked her for coming and sharing her thoughts and he just want to make sure that the children are safe, and they understand the difference of the truth and the fantasy. When he watches the videos, a man with a bread standing in a dress and telling kids that he is a lady with a beard. How does it affect long range for a child and the reason why he keeps saying the Mayor needs to do this because it is the Mayor’s Drag Queen Story Time?

Mayor Turner interrupted Council Member Kubosh and say that is not true and that is a blatant misrepresentation and Council Member Kubosh stated that he can be quoted on this “he has the power and he is not stopping it”

Mayor Turner stated that he told a blatant falsehood and he should be ashamed of himself, you are playing to them when all of the people before them came up here, you embraced them and talked to them about the love of the children, the LGBTQ community, you are being rhetorical and dishonest. You are not practicing the faith that you talk about around this table but he love nonetheless.
Members of Council commented to Ms. Sam at length.

John Miller, 15 Enchanted Woods, Kingwood, TX 77339, (281)939-3166 appeared and stated that he identifies as a 35-black male. Drag Queen Story Hour take the natural way of thinking of what a child is blessed with and it makes the children think that this is normally way of life and this maybe a lifestyle for today, but it disables the child own way of thinking. The child should be able to have his own opinion without having someone to teach them at a library, that is being paid by the City of Houston. Children learn about these type of stuff around 10-13 years of age and this will effect the way that they think in the future, this is not an attack on the LGBTQ. Council Members Stardig, Cohen, Boykins, Travis and Laster absent.

Hope Gomia, 11757 Katy, Frwy, 77079, (832)671-0414 appeared and stated Oracle City homes and she have received a bill from the City of Houston for $14,500 for a new tap and meters on usage of the water bill and when she challenged the bill with the City of Houston they told her that they have any record that this building existed and when she tried to get a bill to show her client that they own this money and she was told that “there is not any bill available”. She scheduled a meeting to come here to ask for assistance with this bill of the upper management of the Water Department started to call and e-mailing her saying “don’t come here, come here” and advising here that they can break it down for her but she told them she wanted proof that this bill belongs to her company and they told her that they can’t prove it to her now. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Travis and Laster absent.

Mayor Turner asked Ms. Gomia if this was a commercial building and she said that this residential and they will be building 34 new homes on this property, but the meter has been replaced with a new mater and that is why they don’t have any readings and what the Mayor is saying that he is reading that there is a leak on the private side. He asked her if someone has sat down and explain this to her. She told Mayor Turner that she has to pay for it before she could challenge it and he stated that she wants her to get with Gary Norman with the Houston Public Works and for them to sit down and discuss it.

Brain Nelson, 1531 Monterra Point, Fresno, TX, 77545, (281)905-5483 appeared and stated that he is a hall famer, a CPPO and he was here a few weeks ago in regards on speaking on homelessness. He has spoken since then with an individual name Shawn along with Roxanne yesterday. They informed him about the HOT Team and he believes that they will be able to help him. That he is here ready and prepared to go back to work. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis and Laster absent.

Mayor Turner requested Rhonda who is with the Mayor’s Citizens Assistance Office and direct him to Shawn and they will with Mr. Nelson to help him.

Carrie Schneider, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis and Laster absent.

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

Dr. Kevin Vu, 119030 Park Trail Dr., 77094, (832)766-0646 appeared and stated that he been living and working in Houston for over 21 years. Regarding last week on December 2, 2018 with him and high ranking official of a Communist Government of Vietnam. Do you notify their Council Member Steve Le and if you didn’t please give a real why not? Can you please give them transparency to this meeting, can he provide them with any type of transcript, video or pictures or a report of the meeting and lastly would Mayor Turner change his mind to stop giving support to
this evil and corrupted to a Communist land and not for them to invest in Houston. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Laster and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner advised Mr. Vu that this was a courtesy visit, just like people come from China or any other type of Government around the Country, it was just a courtesy visit and that’s all it was.

Tinh Troung 13506 Shadows Falls, 77059, (832)715-8987 appeared and stated that he is the President of the Vietnamese Community along with others in his community are here today, to give a friendly reminder that the Communist Government doesn’t want to represent them. The people around the horseshoe was elected Official to represent them, the Vietnamese American of Houston and around the Unite States.

Mayor Turner stated to Mr. Troung that he will repeat this again, when Officials come from China which is also a Communist Government as a courtesy visit. Where there are Officials coming from outside and they want a courtesy visit, they extend a courtesy visit.

Council Member Le wanted to give the Mayor a little background this, the up roar is that the communist newspaper used that picture that the Mayor took with the representative as a propaganda and quoted him as “that the Vietnamese Consult in Houston are here to represent the 300,000 Vietnamese refugees in Houston” which is false.

Winston Nguyen, 4922 Lattimore Creek Dr., 77084, (832)863-7716 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

Minh Do, 13518 Elmsgrove Ln., 77070, (713)870-6575 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

Kim Nguyen, 9218 Baber Dr., 77095, (832)488-0757 appeared and stated that she is former President of the Vietnamese Community, they are deeply insulted when they saw the picture of the flag of Vietnamese Community displayed on December 2nd. They have been against Vietnamese Communists just like Jews against Hitler and his followers and that is the reason why they had to leave their Country to seek freedom in the United States but in particularly Houston Texas. In 2003 Mayor Lee Brown and Council Members recognized their contribution to the City of Houston in education through hair care. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner allowed Ms. Nguyen to finish her thought and then she held up their flag. Council Member Nguyen stated thanked Ms. Nguyen for what she has done in our community and she knows how proud of what we have done for the City of Houston, Mayor Turner this is such a strong issue in the Vietnamese Community and anytime they see the flag of the Vietnamese Communist Government, it reminds them on how they have lost their loved ones and coming to a place. They do embrace America as their home but the majority of the people that came over in 1975 left unwillingly and every time they see that flag, it just reminds them of all of the hardship and tragedy and all of the lives that were lost. This is a very sensitive issue.

Mayor Turner stated that is specifically issued a statement that any Vietnamese that came here prior to 1995, should not have to be deported and the City of Houston has taken a position on that and the City have been really supportive for the Vietnamese Community and they appreciate contributions that are being made.
Dang Nghi, 2305 Abernathy Glen Ct., 77014, no phone, appeared and stated he is speaking on his personal views on Vietnam, in fighting for his freedom, the people trying to help them to fight for freedom and any opportunity for freedom. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

Council Member Le thanked Mr. Nghi for expressing his views and in support of the City and against the Communist Vietnamese and what they have placed upon their people and the many lives that were lost, it’s a big tragedy for their Country.

Peter Pruong, 17806 Placid Oak, Cypress, TX, 77433, (832)526-2188 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

Le Thi Thu Cuc, 8056 Boone, 77072, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

Ed Gor, 4604 Oakdale St., Bellaire, TX, 77401, (173)320-8889 appeared and stated that he really does miss living in the City of Houston now, but he was born in 5th Ward. He wanted to say to the Mayor and Council Member Castex-Tatum along with former Council Member Green had secured some funds for about $9.4 million dollars from the Government talking about flood control devises and as they can see that the press flood and some people wanted to prove that their cars were boats. Secondly, her would like to say on December 17th was the 75th Anniversary of the repeal of the Chinese Exclusion Act and that act for 60 years which prevented Chinese from coming into America and without that we would not have doctors, lawyers, engineers and mechanics along with City Council Members today. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner allowed Mr. Gor to finish his statement and Council Member Le stated to Mr. Gor that they appreciate your contribution to the City of Houston and the Chinese American of the City of Houston. There are certain errors that America has made in the past including the Chinese Exclusion Act and he is happy that he gotten rid of that and as we look back now we see Chinese have made great stride and contribution to America.

Andrew Murland, 1637 Bonnie Brae, 77006, (713)366-2888 appeared and stated that he is Property Manager for a property in Montrose in the 1600 block of Bonnie Brae. They have had a reoccurring water issue in the rear easement of the property for a few years and this year have been 3 times. He has used 311, have contacted Council Member Cohen office number of times and normally it has been really helpful but this time the Council Member office has not been helpful. It was actually fixed earlier this week, but it was a temporary fix, they only fixed 20 feet of the line, it is about 6 inches and they are looking for a permanent fix because they don’t want raw sewage, waste running down the property. They have had warning from the Heath Department and saying that it’s their problem but actually it is the City problem. They are looking for a safe place for their tenants to live and he has documents just from the incidents from this year and looking forward into getting a permanent resolution. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner asked Mr. Murland “is this a multi-family unit?” Mr. Murland advised it is a duplex with garage apartments in the back and it is affecting the whole street as far as the sewage issue. Mayor Turner asked him what they have told him is the problem and Mr. Murland responded it has age because it is 6-inch line. Mayor Turner stated that Gary Norman who is with Houston Public Works is in the back to visit with him.
Council Member Cohen stated to Mr. Murland as he mentions that he has been in touch with her office and they have tried to get the information to him. She thinks that they have shared the plan to do an interim, but the problem is the interim is causing a problem and they can't give a definite time for a permanent fix. Council Member Cohen stated to the Mayor that this is a serious problem, it continually causing issues and she advised him Gary is behind him and hopefully he can get expedited.

Hayley Murland, 1744 Lexington St., 77098, (832)507-9535 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster and Knox absent.

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

Thuy Nguyen, 7506 Andiron Circle, 77041, (281)840-7603 appeared and stated hi to everyone in the entire chamber. She does not agree to of the Vietnamese Communist in the United States and that is not Houston. The United States, Government and Houston is responsible to protect all citizen from communism and citizens can't control the government when there is no government control election. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Laster, Knox and Edwards absent.

Julie Love, 2215 Congress Ave. 77003, (713)305-4298 appeared and stated that she is a retired school teacher, 34 years in HISD and she was born and raised in Houston. They still have a building Downtown on Congress and she believes it is in District I. she is around the corner from Star of Hope, she used to volunteer there and she has sent all of the Council Members an e-mail of all of her thoughts and she is not going to read all of the things but she drove around the Star of Hope on the grass a couple weeks ago to see what was going on because she is concern of the children shelter that is being thought of for Houston by the Federal Government. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster, Knox and Edwards absent.

Council Member Gallegos thanked Ms. Love for coming down here and sharing her thoughts and he allowed her to finish her statement with the reminder of his time.

Shirley Franklin, 6705 Della, 77093, (832)289-6981 appeared and stated she thanked them for the opportunity to express her concerns and opinions with City services that had been provided to her as a citizen in this great City. She has been a Houstonian for 70 years and lived at her address for 52 years. She has never been threatened or told to move if she didn’t like the program but 10 years ago or longer she had requested a parking sign on the City place on her property line has caused tension when they drive to the end of the street to conduct their busy. She has talked to the neighbors which is her Aunt and they are the only ones who have property on Della Street. And according to family one is a museum. During all times of the night people are up congregating at the end of the road, along with ladies in the night. Recently she has spoken to the Police Department and they asked her to fill out a form, so they can come by. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Council Member Cisneros asked Ms. Franklin if she lives in Independent Heights which she advised that she is not, but Council Member Cisneros advised her that she is her Council Member and that they have tried to reach out to her because she would like to help her, and she wanted to speak to her after she finished her thought.
Mayor Pro Tem Cohen advised Ms. Franklin to speak with Sergeant Magnum to try to tell clear things up.

Joshua Bullard, 3328 McGrowen, 77004, (832)258-7511 appeared and stated that Council Members Kubosh and Le, he wanted them to be aware that the Houston Robbery Homicide Division has disconnected all communication through all of the robbery videos on youtube which is in lure with Harris County Shereffi Gonzalez is doing which all of the communication in channels are enabled. He doesn't know if they can get it looked at. Case number 719645-18 at Bellfort in has District the Police Department is aiming to charge 2 10-year-old children with a theft case. Mayor Turner, Council Members Boykins, Martin, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Knox and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Council Members Kubosh and Le commented and questioned Mr. Bullard about the videos.

Gerry Monroe, 2600 Westridge, 77054, (832)591-9681 appeared and stated that he was going to be nice but he has to say what he said, this is the second time he has to come here and the second time the head man in charge comes up missing but anyway he wanted to thank his Council Member for going to Yates High School with the gag issue and since he had done that, it has been kinda of quiet. He has a grandmother sit over her with her grandson was shot. The kid has had 30 surgery and still in the hospital and he needs some help. They need to get that family out of that neighborhood, he wants help for the grandmother and they were able to her him a bunch of toys for Christmas. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Laster and Edwards absent.

Rah Talie, 8038 Way St., 77028, (281)729-2959 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Laster and Edwards absent.

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

Lori Milam, 4103 Barberry Dr., Apt. #104, 77051, (832)373-8631 appeared and stated that she is Sir Romeo Grandmother and she met the Mayor when he came to her daughter funeral. Sir Romeo is still in the hospital and he is supposed to come home today but now they decided to put another tub down his nose to help his stomach. They have taken the gates down on Kings Row. Her grandkids are terrified, and they have an apartment manager that doesn’t care about nothing and they have people that doesn’t live there but they come over there and do stuff, then they leave, and she is asking them to get out of the apartment complex. She is trying very, very hard to hold her family together. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis and Laster absent.

Mayor Turner asked her about the gate being down and she advised him that where the liquor store is, they took it from there all the way down, there is nothing there and all there is, is yellow tape and orange tape. Mayor Turner stated that they been speaking to the apartment manager over there and the security gate was put in and Ms. Milam stated they haven’t had security gate there. They have been dealing with the management since the shooting.
Bernard Sampson, 3100 McKinney St., 77003, (832)433-4519 appeared and stated that he is member of the Texas Organization Project and he is here to speak about rebuild Houston Better Campaign program. He believes it would improve the conditions of the working here in Houston because there are a lot of things that need to be improved such as, the amount of wage theft, only 35% of construction workers have health benefits, no retirement and no pay time off. Construction injuries and fatalities in Houston is the highest in the State. He wanted to thank the Mayor, the City Council with the labor movement and making working people lives better for the City of Houston. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster and Knox absent.

Tammica Motley, 11910 Greenrock Ln., 77044, (281)865-7283 appeared and stated that she works for the Primerica Representative and they do a lot of advocating for kids. The reason she is here is the last time she watches this in her office and Mayor Turner got up and walked away. The violence in their community is a huge issue and she think it needs attention. So, for her to see the Mayor walk away was dishearten. Maybe you didn’t like the massager, but the message is clear that there is an issue in their community when mothers are afraid to send their kids to school or they can’t allow their kids to go outside and play. She wants to know what they can to collective to make sure that no more Black children are dying on the street. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner stated to Ms. Motley that he doesn’t any Black children, white children, Hispanic children, no child and sometimes when he slips away he might have phone call he has to take or a restroom break.

Linda Rodriguez, 805 Gale, 77009, (832)833-5998 appeared and stated that she is here with Houston Mass Resistance of Texas and she wants her voice to be heard. They all know where each of them stands because of their reaction because it speaks volume. Drag Queen are planting seeds of destruction. They are deeply insulted by Council Member Cohen last comments on November 26th and insulting the Christian community. Children look up to positive role models and she demands them to end Drag Queen Story Hour. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster and Knox absent.

Tex Christopher, 5711 Sugar Hill, 77057, (832)833-8879 appeared and stated Merry Christmas to the City Council. Council Member Cohen said that it is the Ministers and it is Religious Leaders that they should be afraid of attacking their children. Council Member Cohen he is calling you out! He wants a public apology from her today or he wants her to resign because the media is waiting outside. In these chambers or out of these chambers he would have words with anyone that disrespects the all Mighty God. Council Members Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

Council Member Kubosh asked Mr. Christopher where the lawsuit is because he understand that he filed a lawsuit against the Library in efforts in this matter?

Mr. Christopher told Council Member Kubosh that yes he did and because of Council Member Cohen comments along with the Mayor and Council Member Laster which comments.

Virginia Mireles, 1300 Gemini St., 77057, (832)660-3767 appeared and stated in Drag Queen Story Hour are indeed an adult entertainer, with a life style that is not suitable for the children. Don’t start with the children because the books that they read it causes them confusion and it cause more adversity than diversity. She is not giving up her rights agenda not suitable for the children. Council Members Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.
Richard Schwager, 2210 Village Bell Ave., 77059, (832)274-0832 appeared and stated that he is against Drag Queen Story Time and he wonder if it could be considered child abuse because the drag queens are attempting to groom children into their lifestyle when they are the most vulnerable years. Wonder if there is some medical data that can be found to show how vulnerable children are at these ages. He thinks that there should be background checks for these people. He objects using public resources, they should rent out their own private facility. He thinks that voters of Houston should be able to decide. Former Mayor Parker learn a hard lesson when she tried enforcing an unpopular Ordinance. He thinks that voters are more interested in balancing the budget. Council Members Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

Chip Matthews, no address, (832)643-8092 appeared and stated that they don’t see them outside protesting adult entertainment of drag queens, this has to do with the children and now that the new Houston satanic temple of Drag Queen Story Time is back in the Library. He believes this is even more evidence that their discernment is correct. Human child trafficking, blood scarifies of children and satanic ritual abuse have been well documented. Council Members Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

Daniel Cohen, 2744 Briarhurst, 77057, (832)489-7643 0326 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

Rosanne Barone, 1902 Coloquitt, 77098, (615)512-2855 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox and Christie absent.

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

At 4:31 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, December 19, 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 19, 2018 Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, 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. Council Member Greg Travis absent due to being ill.

At 9:12 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and requested Council Member Davis and Ms. Vernita why there is a python snake at the podium. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen and Le absent.

Mayor Turner asked the question, “why are we kissing a snake”?

Ms. Vernita stated that every year a campaign to raise money from City Council and the Mayor’s Office. So, what they did this year, we added a table to a Council Member and the Council Member or the Mayor didn’t receive the most money has to hug a snake. Unfortunately, Council Member
Davis didn’t get enough money and therefore that is why he is holding a snake. We raised over $2,000.00 for this event.

Council Member Davis stated that this is a Burmese python, he been getting special instructions and her name is Lucileball and he add that he had a larger snake growing up, he had a red tail albino Burmese python. He loves animals, so instead of kissing a pig. He thought that they would bring a clearer animal today. He wanted to thank all of his colleagues for being involved in the fund raising for Special Olympics, they had so much fun with the wheel chair games. He thinks that it was a go addition for awareness.

Council Member Davis held the snake and Mayor Turner stated, “make sure you take that picture.” And he wanted to thank the Houston Zoo and the Holiday Zoo lights will go on until January 13, 2019. Mayor Turner stated if they haven’t gone out to see the Zoo Lights, they need too because it is a beautiful place.

Mayor Turner stated that now they will proceed with the Public Hearing.

1. **PUBLIC HEARING** regarding fourth amendment to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SEVENTEEN (MEMORIAL CITY ZONE) DISTRICTS A - STARDIG and G – TRAVIS**- was presented,

Mayor Turner introduced Ms. Jennifer Curly to the podium and she is going to walk them through the Public Hearing.

Jennifer Curly presented a presentation to Members of Council on TIRZ 17 Project Plan. A copy of the presentation is located at the Office of the City Secretary.

At 9:40 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

Tama Chunn, 9902 Warwana, 77080, (713)628-2115 appeared and stated that she and her husband and a group of their friends live in. they all have their eyes open about TIRZ 17. Since they been informed, their little less than 2,000-foot linear foot orphaned ditch was going to be turn into a massive drainage project, larger than it has ever been in their neighborhood and that brought them to TIRZ 17. Taught them more about the working in City Council and it brought City and the County on how they are working on flood. How funds are being spent or not being spent. It opens their eyes on secrecy, favoritism and miss information. She did a Public Information request which was referred the Attorney General Office to not permit to give information out about their own property and in general what the County and the City or other private entities have discussed. It was basically just to shut them out and they have submitted question to Council Member Stardig District Office. They are very frustrated and the lack of transparency and lack of acting on work that have already been assigned. Council Members Martin, Gallegos and Kubo absent.

Wayon Chunn, 9902 Warwana, 77080, (713)628-7378 appeared and stated that he is speaking about the same subject that his wife just said, and she already said somethings that he was going to say, so he won’t repeat that. But he wanted to mention that the ditch number which is a County number is W140-01-06-02 and this is on the section, it runs behind on the Northside of the properties Warwana and some of the concerns that they had is the fact that their fences in the back of their property have been there since the drainage easement was deeded over to the County in 1947. They have very high trees that run in that easement that the City is planning to
take them down. They want to take over the entire easement is 20 feet on their properties and 20 feet on the properties behind them. They want to use that entire easement and take some of their property away from them, where they had the use of the entire time that they lived there. They had no reason when they brought that property they thought their property would never be taken away from them. The main concern is that it is being done for no good reason, they have never flooded but there has been house that had water further down in the area but that was caused by a problem that will not be fix by what they are planning to down with this. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Mayor Turner and Members of Council commented and questioned Mr. Chunn.

Kay Haslam, 1718 Potomac, 77057, (713)485-5017 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Bay Scoggin, 200 East 30th St. Austin, TX, 78705, (214)244-4709 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Ellen Custer, 9852 Warwana Rd., 77080, (713)465-1482 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Laster and Castex-Tatum absent.

Bruce Nichols, 12439 Huntingwick Dr., 77024, (713)249-7133 appeared and stated that he is here on behalf of Frostwood and surrounding area in Memorial City and City Center. Please don’t be misled by negative comments that they heard yesterday or today or received by e-mail for the steps that TIRZ 17 is taking to improve drainage and to mitigate flooding in their area. the fact concerning today’s proposed annexation appear to be as follow. This is hike and bike trail that TxDot is doing and TIRZ 17 cautiously got involved agreeing to contribute $100,000.00 and provide some other support. TxDot now as finished construction of this hike and bike way and now it is time for TIRZ 17 contribute its agreed share. This project had been publicly discussed several times. This is not a TIRZ land grab. He actually thinks that the folks that organized this protest knows that, but they see this hearing as an opportunity to restate their case against TIRZ 17. The original Board of TIRZ 17 were neglectful of the neighborhood concerns and they have made mistake. The current TIRZ 17 Board is functioning successfully. They are working on number of projects to improve storm water management and neighborhoods around it, the folks really want to improve drainage in their area and stopping TIRZ 7 right now makes no sense. Please approve this project. Council Members Davis and Gallegos absent.

Council Member Stardig thanked Mr. Nichols. She can tell them that North of I10, they did just the same thing when she was on the Board. They annexed Long Point up Gessner to make those improvements and the capacity they needed with the TIRZ funding, so they could detain the water from coming to the South side. It does help with the northside, it helps with the Southside. She thinks that the annexation to clarify this is just to strip the concrete.

Kurt Steenson, 9848 Warwana, 77080, (832)788-9847 appeared and stated that he lives on Warwana which is the subject that was talked by the 2 speakers here. It almost a mile to I10 and a block in half from Gessner. He had lived in his house for 30 years with his family and they love their neighborhood, it has many, many large trees. Like other neighborhoods there is a lack of transparency and information that is allowed to come forth write from the City about these projects. They were called to a meeting on August 28th by Council Member Stardig Office to show this particular project and in the project they are going to have their ditch behind their properties, it
never crested or flooded but the City brought this project to them saying that they are deeping and widening their ditch because of the flooding that existed in their home and they showed them a map and on the map is their homes that was colored and they asked what does the color mean and they told them that those are the homes that flooded. They said that they never have flooded which they can document that and since then they been in touch with Houston Public Works and demonstrated that they never have flooded but on August 28th they told them, it does not matter if this map is right or wrong, they are going ahead with this project anyways and it doesn’t matter what they thought about it. Council Member Davis absent.

Mayor Turner questioned Mr. Steenson is he objection is that they are digging this ditch larger in an neighborhood area that has not flooded in 30 years and he said “it has not flooded” and their Public Information Act that was request which was reasonable was denied by the City Attorney based on client and attorney privilege and he wants to know why the City has something to hide. Mayor Turner asked him, who did he send the request to? Mr. Steenson stated that they sent it too Attorney General Kenny Paxton and Mayor Turner advised that he needs to look into that.

Council Member Stardig stated that yes it was sent to the City Attorney and then referred to the Attorney General for an opinion which she does not think that is right. That is why she conducted the meeting to give everyone the information about this project.

Mayor Turner asked if there was anyone in the audience that would like to come speak on the Public Hearing for TIRZ 17 and then he asked him to state his name.

Herta Strobel, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that she lives at 9914 Warwana Road and she have lived there for 52 years. She has not flooded in any of the major storms. She would like exclude the other projects from this discussion and her big concern is that; through their research they have learn and if she is wrong for them to correct her but with the golf course being turn into a 40 acres of apartments being built there, that ground that formerly absorbed that water will not be there and it is a horrible concern on where that water is going to go. It goes South and then it goes east to White Oak Bayou. They will flood because water finds its own level and that is extreme concern to them. The other concern when they went to Council Member Stardig meeting which they appreciate her feedback, they were given a list but each property owner was only told how much they were going to take on their property. For her North ditch they are going to take 15.3 feet and that is on the easement and they skip a house on the east and then they are only going to take 11.4 feet, skip another house then they are only taking 9 feet and that is making the ditch out of it boundaries because there is a certain line. Council Member Davis absent.

Council Member Stardig thanked her for coming out and they are getting those questions out. She had her Chief of Staff share the information to the Mayor’s Chief of Staff of the question that they had will get responses to today. Houston Public Works have working diligently to get all of their question answered and she is staying on top of it.

Mayor Turner ask if there was any one else in the audience who would like to speak on the Public Hearing on TIRZ 17 and seeing no one else; Mayor Turner request a motion to close the Public Hearing.

Council Member Cohen moved to close the Public Hearing for Reinvestment Zone Number 17 and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. MOTION 2018-0652 ADOPTED

Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to call Item 2 and 3.
2. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **GREATER SOUTHEAST MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for terms to expire June 1, 2021:

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Was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2018-0653 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner recognized each Member and requested them to come to the podium and thanked them for their willingness to serve.

Members of Council thanked them for their willingness to serve.

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

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Was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2018-0654 ADOPTED**

At 10:02 a.m. Mayor Turner stated that would have a brief Mayor's Report.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Turner stated that on the International Travel Magazine continue to discover what we already know about our City, Houston is a zesty place to visits. The Food and Wine Magazine put Houston number 2 on it list of 32 places to go and eat in 2019 and LA was number 1. Travel and Leisure Magazine placed Houston among its 50 best places to travel in 2019. Congrats to Houston First to continually and effectively promote the truth about the City of Houston.

Mayor Turner wanted to make a note in reference the finances of our City, the massive pension reform was accomplished and will put Houston back in the black in terms of balancing our sheets. This year for the first time there would be a change to our CAFR referring to the counting reporting and he wanted to bring that to everyone attention. If they recall several years ago they had to include the unfunded pension obligation. They had to include in the balance sheet and in the result of that about $2 billion and growing been accumulating for years. In the balance sheet which
will impact our net worth, he wants everyone to understand that. In January they will be getting their plan to address the OPEP, there will be a presentation form the Financial Department and he looks forward on presenting that plan and start a system in order to get on top of the OPEP situation, just like they got on top of the pension.

Mayor Turner stated that the Martin Luthern King Jr. Parade will be coming up, next month in January and they can get more information by going blackheritagesociety.org. This will be the 44th year sponsoring this parade and the City of Houston are joining with them. They are sponsoring one parade not 2 or 3. They are moving forward with the Memorial Park Golf Proposal and he believes that they have spoken to everyone about it and most of the key stakeholders have signed off on that proposal now. He wanted to give a thanks to the Astros, Jim Crane and those associated with him and all of the parties who worked diligently together and have all signed off and they look forward to presenting that to Council on January 2nd. This is the las Council Meeting of 2018 and he wanted to wish everyone happy holidays and enjoy their time with their family and friends.

Members of Council commented and questioned Mayor Turner about the Mayor’s Report.

At 10:15 p.m. Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to return to Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 4 through 39

MISCELLANEOUS - NUMBERS 2 through 4

4. RECOMMENDATION from Acting Director Planning & Development Department to approve amendments to the 2017 Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan (MTFP) and authorize publication of the 2018 MTFP map- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent. MOTION 2018-0655 ADOPTED

ACCEPT WORK - NUMBERS 6 and 7

6. RECOMMENDATION from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of $435,252.00 and acceptance of work on contract with PROGRESSIVE COMMERCIAL AQUATICS, INC for Pools/Splashpad - MacGregor, De Zavala, Lincoln, Oak Forest, and Hidalgo Parks - 1.37% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency - DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS and I – GALLEGOS- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent. MOTION 2018-0656 ADOPTED

7. RECOMMENDATION from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of $1,726,717.49 and acceptance of work on contract with DNB
ENTERPRISES, INC for 100 Japhet Street - 0.82% over the original contract amount - DISTRICT B – DAVIS- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Boykins absent. MOTION 2018-0657 ADOPTED

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBERS 8 and 9

8. TEXAN WASTE EQUIPMENT, INC dba HEIL OF TEXAS - $2,105,858.02 and ALAMO GROUP (VA) dba OLD DOMINION BRUSH CO., INC - $265,014.58 for Sweeper Miscellaneous Replacement Parts and Repair Services - 3 Years with two one-year options - $2,370,872.63 - Fleet Management Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. MOTION 2018-0658 ADOPTED

9. UR INTERNATIONAL, INC for Towed Vehicle Reporting Management System Software Licenses, Hosting, Maintenance and Support Renewals for Houston Police Department - 1 Year - $63,000.00 Auto Dealers Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. MOTION 2018-0659 ADOPTED

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 12 through 39

12. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Houston and HOUSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY for the Operation of the Rapid Rehousing Financial Assistance Intermediary- the Assistant City Secretary advised that Item 12 has not been received and if received during the course of the meeting, it will be considered at the end of the Agenda.

13. ORDINANCE adopting the City of Houston Small Rental Program Guidelines for Hurricane Harvey Recovery- the Assistant City Secretary advised that Item 13 has not been received and if received during the course of the meeting, it will be considered at the end of the Agenda.

14. ORDINANCE adopting the City of Houston Homeowner Assistance Program Guidelines for Hurricane Harvey Recovery- the Assistant City Secretary advised that Item 14 has not been received and if received during the course of the meeting, it will be considered at the end of the Agenda.

15. ORDINANCE adopting the City of Houston Multifamily Rental Program Guidelines for Hurricane Harvey Recovery- the Assistant City Secretary advised that Item 15 has not been received and if received during the course of the meeting, it will be considered at the end of the Agenda.
17. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston 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; approving and authorizing the updates to the City’s Local Action Plan, as amended, previously Approved by Ordinance No. 2018-518- the Assistant City Secretary advised that Item 17 has not been received and if received during the course of the meeting, it will be considered at the end of the Agenda.

18. **ORDINANCE** amending the second clause in the caption of Ordinance No. 2018-953 to read as follows: “amending Ordinance No. 2014-676, as amended, to increase the maximum contract amount of the agreement with THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON; amending Ordinance No. 2018-288 to increase the maximum contract amount of the agreement with HARRIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT d/b/a HARRIS HEALTH SYSTEM- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-1012 ADOPTED**

26. **ORDINANCE** establishing the north side of the 1400 block of Cleburne Street, within the City of Houston, Texas, as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-1013 ADOPTED**

27. **ORDINANCE** establishing the north and south sides of the 3800 block of Julius Lane, 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 2018-1014 ADOPTED**

28. **ORDINANCE** establishing the north and south sides of the 3500 block of Oakdale Street, within the City of Houston, Texas, as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-1015 ADOPTED**

32. **ORDINANCE** approving the acceptance of funds through Grant Agreement between the City of Houston and **THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY** for Administering the Texas Emission Reduction Program’s Alternative Fueling Facilities Grant; declaring the City’s eligibility for such grant; authorizing the City of Houston Director of Houston Public Works (“Director”) to act as the City’s representative in the application process; authorizing the Director to accept the grant and expend the grant funds, as awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the grant - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-1016 ADOPTED**

34. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $3,332,302.49 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; approving and authorizing Cost Sharing Agreement between the City of Houston and **THE SHADYSIDE TRUST** for Construction of Water and Wastewater Lines for Shadyside Subdivision - **DISTRICTS C - COHEN and D – BOYKINS** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-1017 ADOPTED**
38. ORDINANCE appropriating $7,346,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; approving and authorizing Construction Manager At Risk Contract between the City of Houston and TIMES CONSTRUCTION, INC for Pre-Construction and Construction Phase Services for the Renovation of the 5th, 8th & 9th floors at 611 Walker Street and the Relocation/Renovation of the 2805 McKinney Street Building; providing funding for materials testing services, construction costs, Civic Art Program, salary recovery and contingencies financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - DISTRICT I - GALLEGOS was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1018 ADOPTED

39. ORDINANCE awarding construction contract to ERC ENVIRONMENTAL & CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC for McGovern-Stella Link Library Hurricane Harvey Renovation; setting a deadline for the bidder’s execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by Maintenance Renewal and Replacement Fund - $199,598.98 - Maintenance Renewal and Replacement Fund - DISTRICT C – COHEN was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1019 ADOPTED

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

5. RECOMMENDATION from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of $487,084.00 and acceptance of work on contract with HANCOCK POOL SERVICES, INC for Pool and Splashpad Renovations - 4.52% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency - DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; D - BOYKINS; I - GALLEGOS and J – LASTER- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2018-0660 ADOPTED

10. BRENNTAG SOUTHWEST, INC for Supply of Liquid Ammonium Sulfate Chemicals for Houston Public Works - 5 Years - $2,127,543.32 - Enterprise Fund- was presented and tagged by Council Member Davis.

11. CHASTANG ENTERPRISES, INC dba CHASTANG’S BAYOU CITY AUTOCAR - $3,994,642.00, MCNEILUS FINANCIAL, INC dba MCNEILUS TRUCK and MANUFACTURING CO. - $3,256,838.00, HOUSTON FREIGHTLINER, INC - 7,337,180.00, and SILSBEE FORD, INC - $37,890.00 for purchase of sixty-nine Refuse Trucks Cabs and Chassis Mounted with Bodies and one Utility Vehicle through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Houston-Galveston Area Council for Solid Waste Management Department - $14,576,550.00 - Enterprise and Other Funds- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, during
discussion; Council Member Christie stated that he is going to vote against this Item again but he is going to give some positive on it. For 5 years he has requested for alternative fuel for the City Trucks and here they are with 90 pieces of equipment. To some benefit, supposedly these are supposed to be 95 % clearer than the older trucks, but he holds to the deal that there is no clean diesel. They are working for small and mid-size trucks for alternative fuels, so he does give them credit and after 5 years he would see little more of a movement, but he is still going to vote against it.

During a discussion; Mayor Turner stated that they are emphasizing the priorities but to please understand that resources are about to get thinner, money is not printed on a machine, we have limited dollars and he wants to put this out right now, they are going to begin the implementation on Proposition B, so the resources are going to get thinner. Lets all understand that we have one dollar and how they going to squeeze out so much for one dollar and when you prioritize that one dollar. Other things are going to suffer. So, don’t say that they are not focusing on core services when they have limited dollars and things are about to get thinner.

Members of Council had a lengthy discussion about Item 11 and Mayor Turner certain hears everyone and the people in the City and as Administrator he is going to redirect even additional resources to Solid Waste for them to do more sooner but he wants them to understand and he want them fully to support him on this. As he redirects additional resources to Solid Waste, to do more sooner which that means they are not going to be able to put additional dollars as quickly on pay raises but we all must decided where they want these dollars to go and tell him what they want him to do. Do they want them to redirect resources on Solid Waste and garbage pickup so they can expedite or do they want him to put the funds to pay raises?

With further discussion, a vote was called, Council Members Le, Kubosh and Christie voting no, balance voting aye. ORDINANCE 2018-0661 ADOPTED

16. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS OF HOUSTON/HARRIS COUNTY, providing up to $130,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant Funds for Strategic Homeless Planning Services/Activities- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1020 ADOPTED

19. ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2014-1144, to increase the maximum contract amount for an Agreement for Solid Waste Management Services between the City and WASTE MANAGEMENT OF TEXAS, INC - $1,500,000.00 - General Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1021 ADOPTED

20. ORDINANCE approving the seventh amended Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FIVE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MEMORIAL-HEIGHTS ZONE); authorizing the City Secretary to distribute such plans; extending the duration of the Zone to December 31, 2048 - DISTRICTS C - COHEN and H – CISNEROS- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1022 ADOPTED
21. ORDINANCE enlarging the boundaries of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER EIGHT, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (GULFGATE ZONE) - DISTRICTS D - BOYKINS and I - GALLEGOS- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1023 ADOPTED

22. ORDINANCE approving the fourth amended Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER EIGHT, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (GULFGATE ZONE); authorizing the City Secretary to distribute such plan; extending the duration of the Zone to December 31, 2044 - DISTRICTS D - BOYKINS and I - GALLEGOS This item should only be considered after passage of Item 21 above- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1023 ADOPTED

23. ORDINANCE approving the issuance of bonds and notes by the LAKE HOUSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY - DISTRICT E – MARTIN- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1024 ADOPTED

24. ORDINANCE enlarging the boundaries of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SEVENTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MEMORIAL CITY ZONE) - DISTRICTS A - STARDIG and G – TRAVIS- was presented and tagged by Council Member Knox.

25. ORDINANCE approving the fourth amended Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SEVENTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MEMORIAL CITY ZONE) - DISTRICTS A - STARDIG and G - TRAVIS This item should only be considered after passage of Item 24 above- was presented and tagged by Council Member Knox.

29. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing second amendment to the Lease Agreement between MIDTOWN CENTRAL SQUARE, LLC., as Landlord, and the City of Houston, Texas, as tenant, to expedite the buildup of additional office space for early occupancy of space and to increase available parking space and provision of card keys, at the property located at 2100 Travis Street, Houston, Texas, for use by the Housing and Community Development Department and its contractors working on disaster recovery activities - $213,790.40 - Grant Fund - DISTRICT C – COHEN- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1026 ADOPTED

30. ORDINANCE appropriating $2,385,000.00 from the FY2019 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for Planned Projects for Houston Information Technology Services- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1027 ADOPTED

31. ORDINANCE appropriating $3,476,000.00 from the FY2019 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for Planned Projects for Houston Information Technology Services- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1028 ADOPTED

33. ORDINANCE authorizing the transfer of $55,955,588.60 from the NEWPP Expansion-Swift Fund into the HPW-NEWPP Construction Fund, appropriating $55,955,588.60 from the HPW-NEWPP Construction Fund, and approving the expenditure of said sum from the HPW-NEWPP Construction Fund for services associated with the Northeast Water Purification Plant (“NEWPP”) Expansion Project (“Project”); appropriating $174,532,051.90 from the Water Authorities Capital Contrib-NEWPP Fund and approving the expenditure of said sum from the Water Authorities Capital Contrib-NEWPP Fund for the Northeast Water Purification Plant Expansion Project; approving and authorizing seventh amendment to the Design-Build
Agreement between the City of Houston and HOUSTON WATERWORKS TEAM, a joint venture between CH2M HILL ENGINEERS, INC and CDM CONSTRUCTORS INC (Approved by Ordinance No. 2015-1260, as amended) for the Project; amending Ordinance No. 2015-1260 to increase the maximum project amount - DISTRICT E – MARTIN- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1029 ADOPTED

35. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and GLOBAL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS, LLC for Project Management Training for Houston Public Works - $79,500.00 - Project Cost Recovery- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1030 ADOPTED

36. ORDINANCE appropriating $1,336,725.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation; approving and authorizing second amendment to an Interlocal Development Agreement between the City of Houston and HARRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 4 for the Park Row Extension and Utility Service (Approved by Ordinance No. 2012-1090) - DISTRICT A – STARDIG- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1031 ADOPTED

37. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Various Vendor Agreements for Aging and Caregiver Supportive Services between the City and 1) ALPHA EYECARE ASSOCIATES PLLC, 2) CHINESE COMMUNITY CENTER, INC, 3) DINSMORE MEDICAL SYSTEMS, LLC, 4) HEARING AID EXPRESS, INC, 5) HEIGHTS HEARING AIDS, LLC, 6) HOUSTON PRECISE DENTAL CARE, PLLC, 7) EVELYN RUBENSTEIN JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF HOUSTON, TEXAS, 8) THE MONTROSE CENTER, 9) PERRYLEE HOME HEALTH CARE SERVICES, INC, 10) ENTRAMED, INC dba SENTIDO HEALTH, 11) BEACON HILL INVESTMENTS CORP., dba SYNERGY HOMECARE OF HOUSTON, 12) HASELDEN HOMECARE LLC, dba SYNERGY HOMECARE OF KATY, 13) MONARCH ENDEAVORS LLC dba SYNERGY OF NORTHWEST HOUSTON, 14) MOSHER INITIATIVES INC dba SYNERGY HOMECARE OF CONROE, 15) MPJ AUDIOLOGY CONSULTANT, L.L.C., 16) ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS ASSOCIATION, INC dba ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION, 17) MSB PERSONAL ASSISTANT SERVICES, LLC, dba AT YOUR SIDE HOME CARE, 18) BAKERRIPLEY, 19) HOME DELIVERY INCONTINENT SUPPLIES CO., INC, 20) INFOCUS HEALTH, LLC, 21) INTERFAITH CAREPARTNERS, INC, 22) MERC MEDICAL SUPPLY COMPANY, INC, 23) NGUYEN AND ASSOCIATES COUNSELING CENTER, LLC, 24) UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT HOUSTON, and 25) TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, respectively, for the HARRIS COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF THE HOUSTON HEALTH DEPARTMENT; providing maximum contract amounts; providing for severability- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2018-1032 ADOPTED

MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 40 through 48

40. 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 - TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS TRAVIS, KUBOSH and LASTER
This was item 12 on Agenda of December 12, 2018- was presented, after a lengthy discussion a Roll Call was requested.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Turner voting- Aye
Council Member Stardig voting- Aye
Council Member Davis voting- Aye
Council Member Boykins voting- No
Council Member Martin voting- Aye
Council Member Le voting- No
Council Member Travis voting- Absent
Council Member Cisneros voting- Aye

 Council Member Gallegos voting- Aye
Council Member Laster voting- Aye
Council Member Castex-Tatum voting- Aye
Council Member Knox voting- Aye
Council Member Robinson voting- Aye
Council Member Kubosh voting- No
Council Member Edwards voting- Aye
Council Member Christie voting- No

**ORDINANCE 2018-1033 ADOPTED**

41. **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

TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STARDIG
This was Item 34 on Agenda of December 12, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.

**ORDINANCE 2018-1034 ADOPTED**

42. **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

TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BOYKINS
This was Item 35 on Agenda of December 12, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.

**ORDINANCE 2018-1035 ADOPTED**

43 **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 - TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS TRAVIS, GALLEGOS and LASTER
This was Item 40 on Agenda of December 12, 2018- was presented,

During the discussion for Item 43, Member of the Board for the Houston Arts Alliance was invited to the podium to answer questions from Members of Council and after lengthy discussion a vote was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin and Kubosh voting no, balance voting aye. **ORDINANCE 2018-1036 ADOPTED**

44. **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

TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARDS
This was Item 42 on Agenda of December 12, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Cohen and Knox absent. ORDINANCE 2018-1037 ADOPTED

45. 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
TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LASTER
This was Item 43 on Agenda of December 12, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Cohen and Martin absent. ORDINANCE 2018-1038 ADOPTED

46. 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 - TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER TRAVIS
This was Item 44 on Agenda of December 12, 2018- was presented, Council Member Stardig voted no, balance voting aye. Council Members Cohen and Martin absent. ORDINANCE 2018-1039 ADOPTED

47. 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 TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS TRAVIS and STARDIG
This was Item 45 on Agenda of December 12, 2018- was presented,

Council Member Boykins stated that he has had an opportunity to look at this Item and he sees a lot of concerns in regard to the Procurement process. His staff has done a lot of research and the documents that he is holding in his hand which are public documents, showing the process that didn’t take place where it should have in terms of bringing approval of increase in contract amount to Council and then when he pulled all the documents it was concerning how decisions were made without Council involvement and he is requesting the Mayor to pull this item and when they return in January, hold a meeting in the Ethics Committee and go through it thoroughly to make sure that there is no flaws because there are major different in cost.

Council Member Boykins moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose to refer Item 47 back to the Administration and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, Council Members Stardig, Boykins and Kubosh voting aye, balance voting nay. MOTION 2018-0662 FAILED

Mayor Turner stated that he is not going to do that, when this project started before he became Mayor and when he became Mayor it was on his desk. As all of them can recall, he tossed it out and started it all over again. Himself and the Controller back in January 2016 and they were on the same page. This project on my desk before he started, he looked at it and it has been vetted for the last couple of years. They have looked at it topside and bottom. What is presented to them today is a much better deal in terms of design. It gone from $900 million to
$1.7 billion and now it's down to $1.2 billion dollars, $500,000,000 million dollars less on where it was.

After further discussion a vote was called for Item 47, Council Members Stardig, Boykins and Kubosh voting no, balance voting aye. **ORDINANCE 2018-1040 ADOPTED**

48. **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**

**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS TRAVIS and STARDIG**

This was Item 46 on Agenda of December 12, 2018- was presented,

Council Member Kubosh requested the City Controller Chris Brown to the podium to answer some questions from the Members of Council.

Mayor Turner stated that these are airline dollars, but the Feds set the fee and if they want to increase the fee from $450 to a higher amount. The Feds will set the fee that is paid for by the Airlines.

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 the Agenda and seconded by Council Member Laster, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0663 ADOPTED**

Council Member Davis moved that the question be called relative to Item 48 and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0664 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner stated that the question has been called and now they vote on Item 48; Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Kubosh and Edwards voting no, balance voting aye. **ORDINANCE 2018-1041 ADOPTED**

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 12:16 p.m. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Knox, Kubosh and Edwards absent.

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

**MINUTES READ AND APPROVED**

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Pat J. Daniel, Assistant City Secretary