City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, August 20, 2019

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 20, 2019; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding along with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Martha Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Randy Zamora, Legal Department, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office present.

At 1:43 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and stated they would start with the presentations. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Castex-Tatum and Robinson absent. NO QUORUM

Council Member Cohen recognized Sheriff Ed Gonzalez.

PRESENTATIONS

Council Member Gallegos presented a proclamation to the Houston Police Department – Chicano Squad to recognize their 40th Anniversary.

Council Members Cohen, Robinson, Davis, Knox, Stardig, Christie, Kubosh and Boykins all spoke and thanked them for their service and also thanked them for creating the group.

Council Member Christie presented a proclamation to Normal To Be Fit to celebrate the Normal To Be Fit Expo on August 31st.

At 2:30 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Edwards for the Invocation and Council Member Edwards invited Pastor J. Johnson for the Invocation and Council Member Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Roll was Called. Council Member Boykins and Martin absent.

Council Member Cohen moved to delay the balance of the minutes and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent. MOTION ADOPTED

Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to call the list of speakers.

#1 - MARK RODRIGUEZ – 23 Delmar St. – 77011 – 832-816-9673 – District H issues.

PASTOR PATRICK LIMBRICK – 8321 Woodlyn – 77028 – 832-404-1545 – Acknowledging and thanking Council Members – NOT PRESENT

#2 - JACKIE MANUEL – 2017 Rosedale St. – 77004 – 713-344-8183 – Power pole lines in yard

#3 - HATTIE BURNETT – 2015 Rosedale St. – 77004 – 832-388-2096 - Power pole lines in yard

#4 - CHANURA GIBSON – 2015 Rosedale St. – 77004 – 832-215-1085 - Power pole lines in yard

LERLEAN AMMONS – 2013 Rosedale St. – 77004 – 832-654-5900 - Power pole lines in yard – NOT PRESENT
#5 - TUY NGUYEN – 8415 S. Breeze Dr. – 77071 – 713-302-1625 – Invitation for Inauguration Ceremony Statues of Pope

FREDRICK METOYER – 2305 Voss Rd. – 77057 – 832-868-7083 – Civil rights/Public interest – NOT PRESENTED

#6 - YVONNE SILVA – 2502 Mona Lee Ln. – 77080 – 713-464-2078 – Unresolved issues with city employees/Hollister Place Civic Club

#7 - KARL MUENCH – 4115 Norfolk St. – 77027 – 713-459-8779 - Election notifications

#8 - CATHERINE FLOWERS – 2906 Southmore Blvd. – 77004 – 713-319-5708 – Moms Clean Air Force

#9 - BABBY POSEY – 7618 Serene – Humble, TX – 77338 – 832-754-5683 – Houston Public Works MWBE contractor hasn’t been paid on contract

JOHN DICKSON – 1919 Post Oak Park Dr., Apt. #1112 – 77027 – 817-715-8006 – HPD theft involving square trade – NOT PRESENT

CANDANCE LOVINGS – 6722 Granger Ln. – Manvel, TX – 77578 – 832-830-3390 – Family situation. NOT PRESENT

SAM SMITH – 7813 Glass St. – 77016 – 346-801-4741 – Student safety and donation – NOT PRESENT

#10 - BARBARA BLUE – 15726 Braybriar Dr. – Missouri City, Texas – 77489 – 281-438-8305 – Edison Lofts

MARY ROSS – 15503 Winter Briar Dr. – Missouri City, TX – 77489 – 713-443-2453 – Edison Lofts proposed development – NOT PRESENT

#11 - CHERYL HUGHES – 7226 Castletview Ln. – Missouri City, TX – 77489 – 832-647-3895 - Edison Lofts proposed development

#12 - SHIRLEY McGINTY – 6902 Castletview Ln. – Missouri City, TX - 77489 - Edison Lofts proposed development


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 3:52 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 21, 2019.

For more information and details from the Speakers List, please click here: https://houstontx.swagit.com/play/08132019-1372

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, August 21, 2019 Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Marta Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards
and Jack Christie D.C.; Ronald Lewis, City Attorney, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office present.

At 9:06 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and stated they would move to the Mayor’s Report.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Turner spoke on Houston’s newest XFL Football Team. They will be unveiling their new team name and logo. There will be an 11:30 a.m. press conference. He also mentioned various school districts will be beginning school on Monday, as well as various surrounding school districts. He wants citizens to be mindful and the school kids in their driving to and from various places. The two-year anniversary of Hurricane Harvey is approaching.

At 9:06 Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to call the Consent Agenda

**ACCEPT WORK**

4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $741,266.48 and acceptance of work on contract with NATIONAL WORKS, INC for Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Television Inspection In Support of Rehabilitation - 0.74% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; E - MARTIN; F - LE; G - TRAVIS; H - CISNEROS; I - GALLEGOS and K - CASTEX-TATUM** - was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le, Cisneros, Castex-Tatum, Knox and Edwards absent. **Motion 2019-0423 - ADOPTED**

5. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $4,264,694.67 and acceptance of work on contract with REPIPE CONSTRUCTION, LLC dba IPR SOUTH CENTRAL, LLC for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Cured-In-Place Pipe Method 4.95% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount (4258-58) **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN and D - BOYKINS** - was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le, Cisneros, Castex-Tatum, Knox and Edwards absent. **Motion 2019-0424 - ADOPTED**

**RESOLUTIONS**

7. **RESOLUTION** authorizing the issuance of a letter of approval to APEX AMBULANCE SERVICES pursuant to Section 773.0573 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; containing findings and other provisions related to the foregoing subject; providing for severability – was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. **Resolution 2019-0029 - ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES - NUMBERS**

11. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and WESTERN HORTICULTURAL SERVICES, L.P. for Exterior Landscape Maintenance and Horticultural Services for the Houston Airport System; providing a maximum contract amount 3 Years with two one-year options - $11,002,712.70 - Enterprise Fund **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; E - MARTIN and I - GALLEGOS** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. **Ordinance 2019-0631 - ADOPTED**
13. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and ECIVIS, INC for Software Subscription and Services Agreement for the Finance Department - 3 Years with two one-year options - $203,916.01 - General Fund - Ordinance 2019-0632 - ADOPTED

15. ORDINANCE appropriating $100,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and STERICYCLE ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS, INC for Hazardous Materials Cleanup and Disposal for Various Departments; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options $8,961,019.47 - General, Enterprise, and Other Funds - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. Ordinance 2019-0633 - ADOPTED

17. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing SafeClear™ Freeway Towing and Emergency Road Service Agreement between the City of Houston and ACTION TOWING, INC (Operator) - Pulled - Not Considered

18. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the submission of a Joint Electronic Application for grant assistance from the Bureau of Justice Assistance to fund the FY2019 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program and approving an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and HARRIS COUNTY as joint applicants for such grant; declaring the City’s eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Chief of the Houston Police Department to act as the City’s representative in the application process, to apply for, accept, and expend the grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for, accept, and expend all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the application and to extend the budget period $2,370,436.00 - Grant Fund - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. Ordinance 2019-0634 - ADOPTED

20. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 1.9955 acres of land to HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 5, for inclusion in its district - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. Ordinance 2019-0635 - ADOPTED

21. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing contract between the City and the property owner(s) at 5807 Reamer Street, Houston, Texas 77074 for Flood Mitigation Assistance Home Elevation Project to be performed by BYRDSON SERVICES, LLC dba EXCELLO HOMES; providing a maximum contract amount - DISTRICT C - COHEN - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. Ordinance 2019-0636 - ADOPTED

22. ORDINANCE authorizing and approving contract between the City and the property owner(s) at 5807 Reamer Street, Houston, Texas 77074 for 2016 Flood Mitigation Assistance Home Elevation Project deposit agreement to pay for non grant-eligible work related to the contract between the City of Houston and the property owner(s) at 5807 Reamer Street, Houston, Texas 77074 for Flood Mitigation Assistance Home Elevation Project to be performed by BYRDSON SERVICES, LLC dba EXCELLO HOMES - DISTRICT C - COHEN - This item should only be considered after passage of Item 21 above

23. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing first amendment to the contract between the City of Houston and Property Owner(s) at 4710 North Braeswood Boulevard, Houston, Texas, 77096 for Flood Mitigation Assistance Home Elevation Project (as Approved by Ordinance No. 2017-0559) - DISTRICT C - COHEN - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. Ordinance 2019-0637 - ADOPTED
24. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to the contract between the City of Houston and Property Owner(s) at 4718 North Braeswood Boulevard, Houston, Texas, 77096 for Flood Mitigation Assistance Home Elevation Project (as Approved by Ordinance No. 2017-0560) - **DISTRICT C - COHEN** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. **Ordinance 2019-0639 - ADOPTED**

25. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City and the property owner(s) at 4822 North Braeswood Blvd., Houston, Texas 77096 for Flood Mitigation Assistance Home Elevation Project to be performed by **PLANET THREE CONSULTING, CORP.**; providing a maximum contract amount - **DISTRICT C - COHEN** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. **Ordinance 2019-0640 - ADOPTED**

26. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $110,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **BLACKLINE ENGINEERING, LLC** for LDP Work Order Design (Contract 5); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. **Ordinance 2019-0641 - ADOPTED**

27. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $220,000.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **ALLY GENERAL SOLUTIONS, LLC** for Citywide Street and Traffic Rehabilitation 6; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. **Ordinance 2019-0642 - ADOPTED**

28. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $44,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Construction Management and Inspection Services Contract between the City of Houston and **BRIONES CONSULTING & ENGINEERING, LTD.** for Wastewater Facilities Construction Projects; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. **Ordinance 2019-0643 - ADOPTED**

29. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $1,325,000.00 out of Metro Construction - Other, awarding contract to **GRAVA LLC** for Safe Sidewalk Program Work Authorization Project; setting, a deadline for the bidder’s execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for testing services, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Construction – Other - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. **Ordinance 2019-0644 - ADOPTED**

**CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

1. **RECOMMENDATION** from the Director of the Finance Department that the City Council receive the 2019 Appraisal Roll Information, Certify the Anticipated Collection Rate, and appoint Melissa Dubowski and Alma Tamborello to calculate and publish the City's Effective and Rollback Tax Rates in accordance with the “Truth-in-Taxation” provisions of the State Tax Code and Texas Local Government Code – Was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **Motion 2019-0425 - ADOPTED**
2. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $3,538,881.52 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF; $82,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation to contract between the City of Houston and **OSCAR RENDA CONTRACTING, INC** for the Memorial Drive Paving and Drainage Improvements from North Kirkwood Road to North Eldridge Parkway for Change Order No. 7 (Approved by Ordinance No. 2015-1254); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery, testing services, construction management and contingencies to construction of facilities financed by Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT G - TRAVIS** - Council Members Stardig and Travis tagged

3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of Change Order No. 7 in the amount of $2,388,981.33 for Memorial Drive Paving and Drainage Improvements from North Kirkwood Road to North Eldridge Parkway on contract with **OSCAR RENDA CONTRACTING, INC** 703% above the original contract amount - **DISTRICT G - TRAVIS** This item should only be considered after passage of Item 2 above Council Members Stardig and Travis tagged

**PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS** - **NUMBER 6**

6. **CHASTANG ENTERPRISES, INC dba CHASTANG FORD** for One Replacement Response Command Vehicle through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Houston-Galveston Area Council for Fleet Management Department on behalf of the Houston Fire Department - $89,219.00 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund - Was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Gallegos absent. **Motion 2019-0426 - ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES** - **NUMBERS 8 through**

8. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $837,000.00 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund, $6,602,047.00 out of Fire Consolidated Construction Fund, $9,460,725.00 out of Police Consolidated Construction Fund, $6,455,254.00 out of Miscellaneous Capital Projects SER E Fund, $210,000.00 out of Contributed Capital Project Fund and $623,484.00 out of Fleet/Equipment Special Revenue Fund for purchase of Vehicles and Related Equipment for Various City Departments – Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le and Edwards absent. **Ordinance 2019-0645 - ADOPTED**

9. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing an agreement between the City of Houston and **WOOD ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE SOLUTIONS, INC**, to provide Residential Home Damage Assessment, Asbestos, Lead Based Paint, and Mold Inspection and Testing Services for Disaster Related Projects for the Housing and Community Development Department; establishing a maximum contract amount - $4,750,000.00 - Disaster Recovery Fund - **Not Received - Not Considered**

10. **ORDINANCE** approving the acquisition by the City of Houston, Texas, purchaser (the “City”), of approximately 7.73 acres of land located at 9100 Fondren Road, Houston, Harris County, Texas, from **BRE BOARDWALK APARTMENTS LLC**, seller (“BRE Boardwalk”); approving and authorizing an option agreement for purchase and sale of real property between BRE Boardwalk and the City; providing a maximum purchase price - **DISTRICT J - LASTER** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Le, Travis and Edwards absent. **Ordinance 2019-0646 - ADOPTED**

12. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Lease Agreement between **BAKKERPILEY**, a Texas nonprofit corporation, as landlord, and the City of Houston, Texas, as tenant, for
approximately 1,173 square feet of office space located at 3000 Aldine Mail Route Road, Houston, Harris County, Texas - $60,996.00 Grant Fund - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **Ordinance 2019-0654 - ADOPTED**

14. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing second amendment to the agreement between the City and **AXON ENTERPRISE, INC** (formerly **TASER INTERNATIONAL, INC**) for Taser Devices, Taser Accessories, Taser Supplies, and Repair Services for the Houston Police Department, to extend the term of the agreement - 1 Year Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **- Ordinance 2019-0647 - ADOPTED**

16. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City and **CASTLE BRANCH, INC** for Background Investigative Services for the Human Resources Department; providing a maximum contract amount - 2 Years with two one-year options - $780,000.00 - Central Service Revolving Fund - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **Ordinance 2019-0648 - ADOPTED**

19. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $90,000.00 out of Parks & Recreation Dedication Fund as an additional appropriation to an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas, and **THE OLD SIXTH WARD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY** for the construction of improvements to Dow Elementary Park; approving and authorizing first amendment to an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston, Texas, and **THE OLD SIXTH WARD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY** for the construction of improvements to Dow Elementary Park - **DISTRICT H - CISNEROS** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **Ordinance 2019-0649 - ADOPTED**

30. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $18,151,710.92 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **VADNAIS TRENCHLESS SERVICES, INC** for Abandonment and Flow Diversion of Interwood, M.U.D. #266, and Vickery Lift Stations; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for testing, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT B - DAVIS** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **Ordinance 2019-0650 - ADOPTED**

**MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 31 through 33**

31. **ORDINANCE** approving purchase and sale agreement in lieu of condemnation between **WEST LAKE HOUSTON INVESTMENTS, LTD.**, seller, and the City of Houston, Texas, purchaser, for acquisition of approximately 112.510 acres of land located at the vicinity of Water Works Boulevard and North Sam Houston Parkway East for expansion of the Northeast Water Purification Plant

**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CHRISTIE**

This was Item 18 on Agenda of August 14, 2019

Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **Ordinance 2019-0651 - ADOPTED**

32. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2014-753 (passed on August 6, 2014) to increase the maximum contract amount for the contract between the City of Houston and **SABER POWER SERVICES, LLC** for On-Call Preventive Maintenance and Repair Services of Electric 138KV Substations for Houston Public Works - $1,677,036.37 - Enterprise Fund

**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CHRISTIE**

This was Item 26 on Agenda of August 14, 2019

Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **Ordinance 2019-0652 - ADOPTED**
33. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $16,766,900.12 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and $2,340,429.88 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **FUSED INDUSTRIES, LLC** for Laura Koppe Road Paving and Drainage: Hirsch to Homestead; setting a deadline for the bidder’s execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for testing services, CIP Cost Recovery, construction management and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT B - DAVIS**

**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CHRISTIE**

This was Item 40 on Agenda of August 14, 2019

Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **Ordinance 2019-0653 - 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 9:58 a.m.

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

**MINUTES READ AND APPROVED**

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Pat J. Daniel, Assistant City Secretary