City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, February 11, 2020

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 11, 2020
Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding with Council Members Amy Peck, Jerry Davis, Abbie Kamin, Carolyn Evans-Shabazz, Dave Martin, Tiffany D. Thomas, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Edward Pollard, Martha Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David W. Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Letitia Plummer and Sallie Alcorn; Randy Zamora, Legal Department, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office present.

At 1:48 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Martin called the meeting to order and stated they would start with the presentation. Council Members Peck, Gallegos and Knox absent.

Council Member Davis presented a proclamation to the Ville’s to recognize the history of the Bordersville and Pleasantville Community in honor of Black History Month. Council Member Knox absent.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Travis for the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Member Davis absent.

At 2:10 p.m. Roll Call. Council Member Davis absent.

Council Member Castex-Tatum moved to delay the Adoption of the Minutes and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. 

MOTION ADOPTED

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Pollard for a point of Personal Privilege; Council Member Pollard stated that he wanted to recognize two individuals that are present today, Mrs. Jordan Scrogs and Edwin Rose, they are with Texas Southern University and they will be filming content of today for “The Day and Life of a Council Member”. The footage that they would be sharing with students at Texas Southern for Black History Month and to get students political engaged in Local Politics and he thanked them for being present.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Evans-Shabazz for a point of Personal Privilege; Council Member Evans-Shabazz stated that she wanted to recognize Dr. Adriana Tamez who is a Houston Community College Board Member and stated that she is speaking today but she wanted to acknowledge her.

At 2:13 p.m. Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.


Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Robinson for a Procedural Motion; Council Member Robinson moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of moving Donna Rickenbacker to speak after Cheryl Lawson and seconded by Council Member Kamin, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Pollard and Knox absent. MOTION 2020-0056 ADOPTED
Mayor Turner wanted to thank everyone who attended the Memorial Service for Anna Russell and to please continue to lift up her family and he also wanted to thank the Assistant City Secretary.
Pat Jefferson-Daniel and her office because he knows that it has been very difficult for everyone in the office because they have been working with Anna Russell for a long time and that they will continue to pray for the Office of the City Secretary as well and we stand in recess in honor of Anna Russell.

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 4:01 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 12, 2020.

For more information and details from the Speakers List, please click here: https://houstontx.swagit.com/play/02112020-2095

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, February 12, 2020 Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Amy Peck, Jerry Davis, Abbie Kamin, Carolyn Evans-Shabazz, Dave Martin, Tiffany D. Thomas, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Edward Pollard, Martha Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David W. Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Letitia Plummer and Sallie Alcorn; Ronald Lewis, City Attorney, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office present. Council Member Greg Travis absent on personal business.

At 9:04 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and move to the Mayor’s Report. Council Members Davis, Travis, Gallegos, Pollard, Knox and Kubosh absent.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Turner stated that yesterday they all said their final goodbyes to the City Secretary Anna Russell, and he wanted to thank everyone for being present and all of the City employees, they want to continue to lift up her family. He wanted to give a special thanks to Special Events, Coordinator Susan Christian and her team, they were the ones that pulled everything together and put the Memorial together.

This afternoon, he will join Melissa Ahole one of the City Chief Resilience Officer to release the City’s first Resilience Strategy and Melissa Ahole was the Chief Resilience Officer for Los Angeles and they were able to move her away from LA and Mayor Eric Garcetti and Melissa has been here for now, just about a year. With the work she has done she is moving ahead of terms of coming up with a Resilience Plan and that the City has already sped pass the other Cities is part of the Resilience Plan. At 1:30 p.m. they will be joined with representatives from Shell, North America Global Strategic Partnership to share how important this is and it will be in the Legacy Room to reveal the Resilience Plan.

Mayor Turner wanted to congratulate newly elected Representative Anna Eastman in House District 148 and they look forward in working with her. This was a Special Election and she will be on the Ballot to November.
He also wanted to say happy early birthday to the City of Houston Planning and Development Department, they are celebrating their 80th Anniversary this week on Valentines Day and he is looking forward to celebrating with them and tomorrow the Office of Business and Opportunity (OBO) will host the Champions of Diversity Awards Program and that will be at the George R. Brown. This is a very up lifting event if you haven’t been there before and it will start around 4:45 p.m. and the actual program will start at 7:00 p.m.

At 9:19 a.m. Mayor Turner requested Assistant City Secretary to call the Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 29

MISCELLANEOUS - NUMBER 1

1. CONFIRMATION for Positions One and Two and Two Alternate At-Large Positions of the HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS, for a one-year term to expire December 31, 2020:
   
   Position 1 - COUNCIL MEMBER SALLIE ALCORN
   Position 2 - COUNCIL MEMBER LETITIA PLUMMER
   Alternate Position 1 - COUNCIL MEMBER AMY PECK
   Alternate Position 2 - COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARD POLLARD

   Was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Knox and Kubosh absent.

   MOTION 2020-0057 ADOPTED

PROPERTY - NUMBERS 4 and 5

4. RECOMMENDATION from City Attorney to deposit the amount of the Award of Special Commissioners into the Registry of the Court, pay all costs of court and not file any objections to the Award in connection with the eminent domain proceeding styled as City v. Liberty Property Limited Partnership, et al., Cause No. 1139069; Easement/Acquisition for the 108-INCH WATER LINE FROM ALDINE WESTFIELD TO WILLIS STREET PROJECT - DISTRICT B – DAVIS – was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent. MOTION 2020-0058 ADOPTED

5. RECOMMENDATION from Director Houston Public Works for purchase of Parcels AY17-201, AY17-202 and AY17-203, located at the intersection of Greenbriar Drive, Rice Boulevard and University Boulevard, owned by the William Marsh Rice University, for the GREENBRIAR STREET PAVING AND DRAINAGE PROJECT (from Rice Boulevard to West Holcombe) - DISTRICT C – KAMIN - was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent.

   MOTION 2020-0059 ADOPTED
ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 21 through 28

21. ORDINANCE appropriating $1,265,000.00 out of Parks Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding construction contract to TIMES CONSTRUCTION, INC for Brock Adventure Park; setting a deadline for the proposer's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance and other required contract documents to the City; holding the proposer in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for contingencies, Civic Art Program and engineering and materials testing services relating to construction of facilities financed by Parks Consolidated Construction Fund and State Grant Funded Texas Parks & Wildlife Department Fund - $1,000,000.00 - DISTRICT B – DAVIS – was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent. ORDINANCE 2020-0104 ADOPTED

22. ORDINANCE appropriating $69,777.93 out of Miscellaneous Capital Projects/Acquisitions CP Series E Fund for Environmental Services for 6903 Perimeter Park-Hurricane Harvey Restoration Project, for the Houston Fire Department - DISTRICT A – PECK - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent. ORDINANCE 2020-0105 ADOPTED

23. ORDINANCE appropriating $73,638.90 out of Miscellaneous Capital Projects/Acquisitions CP Series E Fund Environmental Services at 1115 Braeswood Blvd., for the Houston Health Department DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent. ORDINANCE 2020-0106 ADOPTED

24. ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2012-1055 (Passed on December 11, 2012) to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between the City of Houston and SIRSI CORPORATION d/b/a SIRSIDYNIX for an Integrated Library System and Discovery Services for the Houston Public Library $200,000.00 - H.A.L.A.N. Fund - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent. ORDINANCE 2020-0107 ADOPTED

27. ORDINANCE appropriating $11,637,143.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to INDUSTRIAL TX CORPORATION for SEWPP Improvements - Facility Rehab, Sludge Disposal Expansion and Metering Station Rehab; 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, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - DISTRICT E – MARTIN - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent. ORDINANCE 2020-0108 ADOPTED

28. ORDINANCE appropriating $5,085,958.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding a contract to PORTLAND UTILITIES CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LLC for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal; 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 engineering, testing, and contingencies relating to the construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent.

ORDINANCE 2020-0109 ADOPTED

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

2. RECOMMENDATION from Director Houston Airport System for approval of Membership Fees in the Airports Council International - North America for the Calendar Year 2020 - $159,110.00 - Enterprise Fund - was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent. MOTION 2020-0060 ADOPTED

3. RECOMMENDATION from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of $10,274,901.24 and acceptance of work on contract with INDUSTRIAL TX CORP. for Keegans Bayou and Greenridge Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements - 8.41% under the original contract amount DISTRICTS J - POLLARD and K - CASTEX-TATUM - was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent. MOTION 2020-0061 ADOPTED

6. CHASTANG ENTERPRISES- HOUSTON LLC dba CHASTANG FORD - $4,861,565.95, RUSH TRUCK CENTERS OF TEXAS, LP - $4,246,603.46, HOUSTON FREIGHTLINER, INC - $2,270,028.65 and TEXAS UNDERGROUND, INC dba UNDERGROUND - $134,400.00 for Medium- and Heavy-Duty Cab and Chassis and Truck Bodies through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Houston-Galveston Area Council for the Fleet Management Department on behalf of Houston Public Works - Enterprise Fund-was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent. MOTION 2020-0062 ADOPTED

7. ORDINANCE appropriating $127,619.00 out of Public Health Consolidated Construction Fund to issue purchase order to BROWN & ROOT INDUSTRIAL SERVICES, LLC for Construction Services relating to the Southwest Multi-Service Center, for the Houston Health Department- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Knox and Kubosh absent. ORDINANCE 2020-0110 ADOPTED

8. BROWN & ROOT INDUSTRIAL SERVICES, LLC for the Southwest Multi-Service Center Building Damage Repairs for the General Services Department on behalf of the Health Department
This item should only be considered after passage of Item 7 above - was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent.
MOTION 2020-0063 ADOPTED

9. **DXI INDUSTRIES, INC** for the Supply of Sodium Hypochlorite for Houston Public Works - 3 Years with 2 one-year options - $29,317,104.47 - Enterprise Fund - was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent.
MOTION 2020-0064 ADOPTED

10. **GEVEKO MARKINGS, INC** - $2,843,927.03 and **KINETIC MOTORWERKS LLC** - $4,782,630.00 for Thermoplastic Pavement Marking Preform and Compound Materials for Various Departments - 3 Years with 2 one-year options - Enterprise Fund - was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Knox and Kubosh absent.
MOTION 2020-0065 ADOPTED

11. **RESOLUTION** confirming support for the proposed development as Affordable Rental Housing of certain properties, each located in the City of Houston, Texas, and the submittal of applications for Housing Tax Credits for such developments – was presented and TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS THOMAS and ROBINSON.

12. **RESOLUTION** confirming support for the proposed development of certain properties as Affordable Rental Housing, each located in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, Texas, or having been annexed into the City of Houston only for limited purposes, and the submittal of applications for Housing Tax Credits for such developments - was presented and TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS THOMAS and ROBINSON.

13. **RESOLUTION** identifying certain proposed developments of Affordable Rental Housing as contributing to the concerted revitalization efforts of the City of Houston, Texas more than any other in the concerted revitalization plan area in which the applicable development is located - was presented and TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS THOMAS and ROBINSON.

14. **RESOLUTION** confirming support for the proposed development of certain properties as Affordable Rental Housing, of certain properties which are subject to the one mile three year rule, each located in the City of Houston, Texas, and the submittal of applications for Housing Tax Credits for such developments; allowing the construction of such developments; and authorizing the allocation of Tax Credits to such developments - was presented TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS THOMAS and ROBINSON.

15. **RESOLUTION** confirming support for the proposed development of certain properties as Affordable Rental Housing of certain properties which are subject to the two mile same year rule, each located in the City of Houston, Texas, and the submittal of applications for Housing Tax Credits for such developments; allowing the construction of such developments - was presented.
developments; and authorizing the allocation of Tax Credits to such developments - was presented and TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS THOMAS and ROBINSON.

16. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing loan agreement between the City of Houston and COVENANT NEIGHBORHOODS, INC to provide a loan of Hurricane Harvey Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Funds for the City’s Harvey Multifamily Program, to partially finance the new construction of MCKEE CITY LIVING APARTMENTS, a 120-unit Multifamily Affordable Rental Housing Community, located in the vicinity of 650 McKee Street, Houston, Texas - $14,500,000.00 - Grant Fund DISTRICT H – CISNEROS was presented and TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS THOMAS and ROBINSON.

17. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing a second amendment to contract between the City of Houston and HOUSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY to extend the term of the contract and provide Homeless Housing and Services Program (HHSP) Funds, Home Investment Partnerships Program Tenant Based Rental Assistance (Home TBRA) Funds, and previously appropriated Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Funds for the continuing administration and operation of the Rapid Rehousing Financial Assistance Intermediary Program - was presented and TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS THOMAS and ROBINSON.

18. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing a first amendment to grant agreement between the City of Houston and HOUSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (“HRA”), joined by the HOUSTON COMMUNITY LAND TRUST (“HCLT”), to provide $1,000,000.00 in previously appropriated Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Funds to support the continuing operation, management and other activities of the HCLT related to the Provision of Affordable Housing - was presented and TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS THOMAS and ROBINSON.

19. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the submission of the Community Development Block Grant Mitigation Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; to accept Community Development Block Grant Mitigation funding, if awarded; authorizing the Mayor to execute a grant agreement between the City and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, if awarded - was presented and TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS THOMAS and ROBINSON.

20. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing an amendment to the loan agreement between the City of Houston and CROSSROADS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION approved pursuant to Ordinance No. 2019-1018, and related loan documents - DISTRICT H – CISNEROS - was presented and TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS THOMAS and ROBINSON.

25. ORDINANCE authorizing a grant application to the State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division, by the City of Houston Municipal Courts Department for the Juvenile Case Manager Program Truancy Prevention Initiative (the “Grant”; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Director of the Municipal Courts Department to act as the City's representative in the application process, with the authority 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 – was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0111 ADOPTED**

26. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing an agreement between the City and **ELLA BURGER CO. 15 LLC, dba PRINCE’S HAMBURGERS (PRINCE’S)** to provide food and beverage concessions to Shapirstown Park and Golf Course Visitors for the Houston Parks and Recreation Department; providing a maximum contract amount - Revenue - **DISTRICT J – POLLARD** – was presented and **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS POLLARD, KNOX and KUBOSH.**

29. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **GTE MOBILNET OF SOUTH TEXAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP d/b/a VERIZON WIRELESS** for Cellular and Wireless Mobility Devices and Services for Houston Information Technology Services; providing a maximum contract amount – was presented and **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER ALCORN.**

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 11:17 a.m. Council Members Davis and Knox absent.

**DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY MINUTES READ AND APPROVED**

Pat J. Daniel, Assistant City Secretary