

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

A Consolidated City of Houston City Council Meeting at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 27, 2020 Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Amy Peck, Jerry Davis, Abbie Kamin, Carolyn Evans-Shabazz, Dave Martin, Tiffany Thomas, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Edward Pollard, Martha Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh Letitia Plummer and Salle Alcorn; Ronald Lewis, City Attorney, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director present.

Due to health and safety concerns related to COVID-19, this meeting will be conducted virtually via Microsoft Teams, a web-conferencing platform and streamed as usual on the City's website (<https://www.houstontx.gov/htv/index.html>), Facebook site (<https://www.facebook.com/pg/HoustonTelevision/videos/>) and the municipal channel on public television. The Council Members will be participating by videoconference in accordance with the provisions of Section 551.127 of the Texas Government Code that have not been suspended by order of the Governor. Public comment will be allowed on Wednesday via teleconference at (936) 755-1521; Conference ID# 329 527 789# and details for signing up and participating are posted at <https://www.houstontx.gov/council/meetingsinfo.html>

At 9:01 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and recognized Council Member Pollard for the Invocation and he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

All Present

The Interim City Secretary request a Motion to Adopt the Minutes; Council Member Castex-Tatum moved to Adopt the Minutes of May 19-20, 2020 and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to go over some of the procedures, in conducting this Virtual Consolidated City Council Session. This is for Council Members, this meeting is being recorded and he is requesting for them to speak slowly and clearly, this will help the City Secretary, the Close Captioner and the General Public. During the Roll Call they established a quorum to note who is in attendance and if you have to leave the meeting please say their name and tell them what they are doing, if you are leaving for a short while or if you are leaving the meeting completely, please let them know or otherwise they will assume that they are present. If they are making a Motion or Seconding a Motion or Tagging an Item, they need the Council Members to state their name and action clearly for the record. When they are voting, and they want to vote no, please say that out loud and state their name for the record. In addition, as always silence during a vote will be considered a yes vote and please type speak in the Chat room to be recognized to "speak" and then the Agenda Director will be monitoring the Chat and will provide him their names. Please don't use the Chat Room just for chatting. Please mute themselves when they are not speaking and unmute themselves when they are recognized to speak. Then for the Public Speakers which they have several of them that are scheduled to speak for this morning at 9:30 a.m. and in order to be recognized as a public Speaker, they have to sign up with the City Secretary's Office by 3:00 p.m. yesterday. The Interim City Secretary will call the names in the

order that the public signed up. For today's Consolidated City Council Session, the Public Session will happen in the middle of the meeting and he will announce when they are moving to the Public Session and they will do that as close to 9:30 a.m. as possible and when their name is called and this is for the public, when your name is called, press *6 to unmute themselves and then please remute themselves after their time and comments are heard and they will have 1,2 or 3 minutes to speak and the bell will ring. They can only speak when recognized and those are the rules.

At 9:12 a.m. Mayor Turner moved to the Mayor's report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Turner stated that all eyes will be on the sky or glued to the television when Space X launches NASA Astronauts for the first time later today. The launch will take place at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida and they want to extend their best wishes and prayers for a safe flight to NASA Astronauts Bob Behnken and Doug Hurley who live in the Houston area and they train for this mission at the Johnson Space Center. The lift off is around 3:32 p.m. Houston time and as things return to normal, we certainly want to lift them up, pray for them and wish them a successful flight.

As we start to open back and phasing things in some degree of normality, as more businesses are starting to re-open and Houston is also phasing in a normal routine and they will be doing so in a way that provides a safe environment for employees and the general public. To ensure the safety of the employees and the public visiting City facilities and beginning June 1st, temperature check's will be performed at the entrance of all City Facilities, all individuals on City premises must wear a mask or facial covering upon entry and social distancing at least 6 feet and this is an example of what they are doing at the Federal Court House, they are requiring the same thing and at the Federal Court House the Marshalls have the authority to say to people that you can't come in and there will be signs all over the City building keeping people informed.

The City of Houston Municipal Courts Department will resume a modified operation including all jury, judge, trials, jury, arraignments and parking adjudication duty on Monday June 1, 2020. It is also extending the rest period for cases that were scheduled during the Stay at Home Work Safe Order and the reset will be given in person only at the Herbert W. Gee Municipal Courthouse at 1400 Lubbock, 77002 each Saturday in June. Reminder that the Houston Health Department and Agency partners are providing free COVID-19 test across Houston this week and they can go to HoustonEmergency.org to find the locations.

Hurricane Season is coming up and it starts next Monday and forecast are predicting above normal Atlantic Hurricane Season this year, there is a lot of discussion how a portioned storm compounded with this global pandemic and like he encourages everyone each year and this year he encourages to add few things to their list and that is mask, face covering, some gloves just in case they have to bunk up or leave. He will have more to say on this next week with the Office of Emergency Management.

Next Friday, he wants to invite everyone on June 5th, this is for the High School Seniors. The program is going to be for Seniors from HISD, Aline, Alief, Spring Branch and Spring. The program is going to be an exciting one and some big names are going to be joining and to please stay tune for more information for the program. It's June 5th at 6:30 p.m. it will be in person at the High School grounds but separated from their parents, families and friends and a virtual experience for everyone else.

They are going to continue having these meetings virtually June 2nd, June 3rd and then June 9th but it's his intent to meet in person on June 10th for the budget itself. June 10th they will return to the Chamber. He also wants to speak about the Census and we are at 51% which means 49% of our people have not responded to the Census. They have a lot of work to do and they have to do a major push and to come up with some creative ways with touching base with populations within our respective City that has yet to respond to the Census and the deadline is not until October but we don't want to wait until then, we need to get way above 65% in the month of June and July and try to get 90% before all is said and done.

Members of Council commented and questioned Mayor Turner on the Mayor's Report.

At 9:38 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the Interim City Secretary to call the List of Speakers

#1- MICHELLE DOBBINS – 3838 Arberdeen Way – 77025 – 346-267-0041 – BakerRipley, Inc – Item 6.

#2- ROY SANCHEZ – 7905 Hershe St. – 77029 – 713-907-7378 – Furloughs.

ARNOLD TAYLOR – 13250 Barrel Point Ln. – 77014 – 281-932-5389 – Opening of our City too early/President Trump. **NOT PRESENT**

STEVEN WILLIAMS – No Address – 832-270-9479 – HPD. **NOT PRESENT**

#3- NIA COLBERT – 1117 Texas Ave. – 77002 – 346-339-7122 – City's role in homeless crisis.

#4- FREDRICK METOYER – 2574 Marilee Ln. #39 – 77057 – 832-868-7083 – Civil Rights discrimination based on affirmative action.

#5- GREGORY GABRIEL – 14131 Nightingale – 77050 – 832-450-4447 – Employment with HPD.

#6- SANDRA OTOYA – 507 Enchanted Rock Dr. – 77073 – 713-530-1729 – City Council and the Mayor supporting essential workers.

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.

For more information and details from the Speakers List, please click here: <https://houstontx.swagit.com/play/05272020-926>

At 10:31 a.m. Mayor Turner requested Interim City Secretary to call the Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 26

MISCELLANEOUS - NUMBER 1

1. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HOUSTON RECOVERY CENTER, LGC**:

Position One - **KAY AUSTIN**, reappointment, for a term to expire 9/30/2022

Position Two - **BURNELL JONES**, appointment, for a term to expire 9/30/2022

Position Three - **WARREN L. HOLLEMAN**, appointment, for an unexpired term ending 9/30/2021

Position Five - **ELIZABETH T. NUNNALLY**, reappointment, for a term to expire 9/30/2022

Position Nine - **RANDALL C. (RANDY) HOUSTON**, appointment, for a term to expire 9/30/2022

Was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and Seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2020-0239 ADOPTED**

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBERS 2 through 4

2. **FRAZER, LTD.** for the purchase of Modular Bodies through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with Houston-Galveston Area Council for the Fleet Management Department on behalf of the Houston Fire Department - \$347,225.00 - Fire Consolidated Construction Fund – Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none.
MOTION 2020-0240 ADOPTED

3. **CALDWELL COUNTRY FORD** - \$54,280.00, **CALDWELL COUNTRY CHEVROLET** - \$250,990.00 and **CHASTANG ENTERPRISE HOUSTON, LLC** - \$93,551.00 for purchase of Light-Duty Trucks through the Interlocal Agreements for Cooperative Purchasing with the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) for the Fleet Management Department on behalf of the Houston Police Department and Houston Information Technology Services - General, Equipment Acquisition Consolidated and Grant Funds - Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none.
MOTION 2020-0241 ADOPTED

4. **EVOQUA WATER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC** for approval of payment for Emergency Replacement Parts for the Sludge Collection System for Houston Public Works - \$67,663.66 - Enterprise Fund - Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none.
MOTION 2020-0242 ADOPTED

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 7 through 26

7. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between City of Houston and **COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS OF HOUSTON/HARRIS COUNTY**, extending the term of the contract and providing additional Emergency Solutions Grant Funds and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Funds for the continuing operation and maintenance of a Homeless Management Information System - 1 Year - \$148,302.94 - Grant Fund – Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0446 ADOPTED**
8. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,000,000.00 in TIRZ Affordable Housing Funds to provide Down Payment and Closing Costs Assistance to income eligible first-time homebuyers through the Homebuyer Assistance Program - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0447 ADOPTED**
9. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Loan Agreement between City of Houston and **HOUSTON AREA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION** 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 New Hope Housing Avenue J, a 100-unit multifamily affordable rental housing community, located in the vicinity of 5220 Avenue J. Houston, Texas \$12,485,000.00 - Grant Fund - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0448 ADOPTED**
10. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between City of Houston and **BUCKNER CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, INC**, extending the term of the contract and providing additional Community Development Block Grant Funds for program costs including Supportive Housing and Other Supportive Services to families with children who are in danger of being separated from their families -1 Year - \$100,000.00 - Grant Fund **DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0449 ADOPTED**
11. **ORDINANCE** authorizing City of Houston to enter into contract with the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS** for an award of Homeless Housing and Services Program Funds - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0450 ADOPTED**
12. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing a Land Lease between City of Houston, Texas, and the **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION**, for certain premises at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston for the Air Route Traffic Control Center, Security Buffer and Access Road - Revenue - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0451 ADOPTED**
13. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing full and final compromise, settlement, release, and indemnity agreement between City of Houston and **NORSTAN COMMUNICATIONS, INC, d/b/a BLACK BOX NETWORK SERVICES** - \$652,289.00 - Enterprise Fund - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0452 ADOPTED**

14. **ORDINANCE** de-appropriating \$179,481.51 out of Public Health Consolidated Construction Fund previously appropriated for the Design/Build Contract with **TIMES CONSTRUCTION INC** for the John Peavy Senior Center Renovation Project (Approved by Ordinance Nos. 2018-263 and 2017-356) and appropriating \$179,481.51 out of Public Health Consolidated Construction Fund to the Task Order and Job Order Contracting Program for the FY2020 for the above project - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0453 ADOPTED**

16. **ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **ALLIANCE HEALTH RESOURCES MOBILE DIVISION, LTD** for Occupational Medical Testing Services for Various Departments; providing a maximum contract amount 3 Years with two one-year options - \$1,217,630.00 - General, Enterprise and Other Funds - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0454 ADOPTED**

17. **ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **NIVERCO BIOMEDICAL SERVICES, LLC** for Electrical Safety Inspections, Repairs and Preventive Maintenance of Laboratory Services for Houston Public Works and Houston Health Department; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options \$902,015.90 - General, Enterprise and Other Funds - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0455 ADOPTED**

18. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing submission of an electronic application for and acceptance of Grant Funds through the **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES, FY20 COPS HIRING PROGRAM GRANT**; declaring the City's eligibility for such Grant; authorizing the Police Chief of the City of 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 Grant and to extend the budget period Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0456 ADOPTED**

19. **ORDINANCE** re-adopting, re-approving, and ratifying Ordinance No. 2020-297, a **MUNICIPAL SETTING DESIGNATION ORDINANCE** prohibiting the use of designated groundwater beneath a tract of land containing 8.7756 acres commonly known as 7010 Mykawa, Houston, Harris County, Texas; re-supporting the issuance of a Municipal Setting Designation by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality at the request of **ASHLAND, LLC - DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0457 ADOPTED**

20. **ORDINANCE** re-adopting, re-approving, and ratifying Ordinance No. 2020-298, a **MUNICIPAL SETTING DESIGNATION ORDINANCE** prohibiting the use of designated groundwater beneath a tract of land containing 1.435 acres commonly known as 5532 Harvey Wilson, Houston, Harris County, Texas; re-supporting the issuance of a Municipal Setting Designation by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality at the request of **BARCLAY PROPERTIES, LLC. - DISTRICT H – CISNEROS** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0458 ADOPTED**

21. **ORDINANCE** re-adopting, re-approving, and ratifying Ordinance No. 2020-299, a **MUNICIPAL SETTING DESIGNATION ORDINANCE** prohibiting the use of designated groundwater beneath a tract of land containing 9.676 acres commonly known as 0, 2420, 2600, 2714 Canal; 0, 2611 Commerce; 15, 25, 41 Live Oak Alley; 0, 27 North Delano, Houston, Harris County, Texas; re-supporting the issuance of a Municipal Setting Designation by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality at the request of **BFH RANCHING, LTD. DISTRICT H – CISNEROS** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2020-0459 ADOPTED
23. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$722,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation to contract between City of Houston and **REYTEC CONSTRUCTION RESOURCES, INC** for Work Orders & On-Call Large Diameter Water Mains and Valves - Package No. 14 (Approved by Ordinance No. 2018-0930); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery, professional engineering services, and contingencies to construction of facilities financed by Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2020-0460 ADOPTED
24. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$4,385,197.00 out of Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund - Ad Valorem Tax and awarding contract to **NBG CONSTRUCTORS, INC** for W. Lake Houston Pkwy Bridge Rehab for Bents 25-28.; 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 Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund - Ad Valorem Tax - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2020-0461 ADOPTED
25. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$3,025,000.00 out of Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund - Drainage Charge; awarding contract to **STORM MAINTENANCE & MONITORING, INC** for FY2020 Local Drainage Program Contract #3; 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, construction management services, and CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund - Drainage Charge - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2020-0462 ADOPTED
26. **ORDINANCE** granting to **SIENERGY, L.P.**, the right, privilege and franchise to construct, install, extend, retire, operate and maintain its facilities within the public rights-of-way of the City of Houston, Texas, for the transportation, delivery, sale and distribution of natural gas; containing other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; containing a repealer; providing for severability and providing an effective date **FIRST READING** – Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0463 PASSED 1ST READING**

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

5. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing agreement between City of Houston and **BRACEWELL LLP** for Bond Counsel Services for Various City Departments; providing a maximum contract amount
Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2254.1036, the following written notice is given to the public: The City desires to sell bonds for public purposes as authorized by State law and as further set forth in the ordinance to finance or refinance various public projects. The proposed bond counsel, Bracewell LLP ("Bracewell"), is a full service firm that includes a national public finance practice and has the necessary competence, qualification and experience to serve as bond counsel for the City. Bracewell has previously represented the City in connection with the issuance of various bonds and other obligations since 2012, and prior to such time the same attorneys represented the City in connection with the issuance of bonds at a prior firm. The engagement of Bracewell is in the best interest of the City, since the legal services requested require specialized experience in municipal finance, federal tax, and state securities law and therefore cannot be adequately performed by the attorneys and supporting personnel of the City. Furthermore, such legal services cannot be reasonably obtained from attorneys in private practice for the payment of hourly fees without contingency because the City will not be obligated to pay any legal fees unless the transaction successfully closes. - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2020-0464 ADOPTED

6. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing a Subrecipient Agreement between City of Houston and **BAKERRIPLEY, INC** to provide \$2,499,887.00 in Hurricane Harvey Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Funds for the administration and operation of a program to provide Disaster Case Management, Temporary Relocation Assistance, Workforce Development and Financial Education, and Financial Coaching Services to low-to-moderate income individuals who were affected by Hurricane Harvey - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0465 ADOPTED**

15. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2019-0662 to increase the maximum contract amount for Contract No. 4600012938 between City of Houston and **WORKQUEST f/k/a TIBH INDUSTRIES, INC** for Cleaning and Janitorial Services for Various Departments; approving and authorizing first amendment to extend the term of the Contract (Approved by Ordinance 2014-1032) - \$3,488,232.00 - General, Enterprise and Other Funds - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0466 ADOPTED**

22. **ORDINANCE** relating to funding for an Interlocal Agreement by and between City of Houston, Texas, and **HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS** (Approved by Ordinance No. 2018-0155); appropriating funds for the design and construction of certain improvements to Neuens Road, Between Gessner and Blalock Roads, and to Cullen Boulevard, between North MacGregor Way and Interstate 45, thereunder in the following amounts and out of the following funds: (1) \$19,757,462.87 out of Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund - Drainage Charge; and (2) \$1,524,958.20 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund **DISTRICTS A - PECK and D - EVANS-SHABAZZ** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2020-0467 ADOPTED

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

Mayor Turner stated they adjoined in the memory of Keith Wade.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 11:33 a.m. Council Members Knox and Kubosh absent.

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

Pat J. Daniel, Interim City Secretary