

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, May 7, 2019

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday May 7, 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, 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: 34 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, Gallegos, Laster, Castex-Tatum, Knox, Kubosh and Edwards absent. **NO QUORUM**

PRESENTATIONS:

Council Member Robinson presented a proclamation to Visit Houston in recognition of National Travel & Tourism Week May 5-11, 2019. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster and Edwards absent.

Mayor Turner presented a proclamation to the Houston Texans for the Texans Care Volunteer Day. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le and Laster absent.

Mayor Turner presented proclamations to the Bravo Award Winners for their outstanding service and their volunteerism in the community. Council Member Davis absent.

2019 BRAVO Award Winners

Azeezat Sulaimon - Finance Department
Catherine Shepard- Houston Health Department
Michael Firenza- Housing and Community Development
Paula Walker- Administration and Regulatory Affairs Department
Reginal Holt- Houston Health Department
Tierra White- Houston Emergency Center

At 2:14 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Cisneros for the Invocation and Council Member Cisneros invited Pastor Joseph Russell to the podium led for the Invocation and Council Member Cisneros led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Member Davis and Boykins absent.

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

Mayor Turner advised that he knows that the City is getting some heavy rain out in the Northeast sector, the Kingwood area and he knows that there have been some high-water rescues vehicles that have been forwarded up into that area. Mayor Turner wanted to encourage everyone to be mindful of the weather over the next several days, up to Sunday. Be careful about driving through high water. Council Member Martin stated to Mayor Turner about the main arteries in Kingwood are impassable, they have had 5 inches in 36 minutes.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Cohen for a procedural motion; Council Member Cohen moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of moving Finley Wyatt to the top on the 3 minutes Non-Agenda Speaker List and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2019-0222 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Martin for a procedural motion; Council Member Martin moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of moving Ronald Ibarra to the top Speakers List for 3 minutes and seconded by Council Member Cohen, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Knox absent. **MOTION 2019-0223 ADOPTED**

At 2:18 p.m. Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

#1 - ROLAND IBARRA – 2207 Willow Point – Kingwood, TX – 77339 – 713-918-9464 – HFD/Demotions. Council Members Laster, Robinson and Knox absent.

#2 - MELVA ROY – No Address – 832-969-1098 – Lupus Awareness. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Laster, Robinson and Knox absent.

THOMAS WRIGHT – 8210 Frontenac Dr. – 77071 – 832-428-9685 - Unsightly trailer in community – **NOT PRESENT**

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Boykins for a procedural motion; Council Member Boykins moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of adding Gaylon Davenport and Iris Rodriguez after Finley Wyatt and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Laster, Knox and Robinson absent. **MOTION 2019-0224 ADOPTED**

#3 - FINLEY WYATT – No Address – 713-409-5563 – Houston Equal Rights Ordinance. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Laster, Knox and Robinson absent.

#4 - GAYLON DAVENPORT- no address- no phone- Firefighters, Demotions and Layoffs. Council Members Stardig, Cohen, Martin, Knox, Robinson and Christie absent.

#5 - IRIS RODRIGUEZ- no address - no phone- Firefighter, Layoffs, Demotions. Council Members Stardig, Cohen, Le, Laster, Knox, Robinson and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Martin for a quick publish service; Council Member Martin stated that he would like the media to pick this up because there hasn't been any reporting. Getting into Kingwood has not been accomplished at this point. Highway 59 is beginning to backup and all the roads in and out of Kingwood are under water. They have had 4 inches of rainfall in the last 45 minutes. The street is not passable and the only way in or out of Kingwood is FM1960 to West Lake Houston Parkway and that is jam pack and Metro has suspended it services out there. He would like the news station to help them report this because the only one that is reporting right now is Channel 13 and the people that are on Metro bus will not be getting into Kingwood, it's like what just happen on Friday. The CEO of Metro advised Council Member Martin that he will call him when they are going to start bus service again. He will comment on Facebook and Twitter.

Mayor Turner stated if Emergency Management would also get the message out.

#6 - DONALD BURNS – 13021 Donegal Way – 77047 – 346-341-5859 – Paving liens and unusable sidewalks. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster, Knox and Robinson absent.

#7 - GLORIA WILLIAMS – 5214 Carmen St. – 77033 – 281-908-7321 – Regarding my father’s home. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster, Knox and Robinson absent.

RONNIE BOWMAN – 4640 Main St. – 77002 – 713-291-1051 – HPD and burglary – **NOT PRESENT**

DONALD DEMOUCETTE – 1236 Bland St. – 77091 – 832-643-2575 – Issues with the Firefighters EMS – **NOT PRESENT**

#8 - DUEY TRAN – 619 Telephone Rd. – 77023 – 713-806-4865 – Three shift model for HFD. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster, Knox and Robinson absent.

Mayor Turner advised while they are waiting for Ms. Phillips to come to the podium, in responds to the several weather impact in the Kingwood area. We have moved to level 3, the Houston Emergency Operations Center as been activated. The City of Houston Office of Emergency Management has activated the Emergency Operation Center at Level 3 and they have issued multiple alerts and notifications this afternoon and parts poof Lake Houston under flash warning until 5:00 p.m.

#9 - KIM PHILLIPS – 2002 Oaklawn Dr. – LaMarque, TX – 77568 – 512-563-7960 - Three shift model for HFD. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox, Robinson and Edwards absent.

#10 - GREGORY POLITTE – 3902 Corder Rd. – 77021 – 713-875-8861 - Three shift model for HFD. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Martin, Le, Travis, Knox, Robinson and Edwards absent.

#11 - SARAH COBARRUVIAS – 22631 Braken Manor – Katy, TX – 77449 – 210-508-0417 - Three shift model for HFD. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Maritn, Le, Travis, Castex-Tatum, Knox and Robinson absent.

SHARON DALLEMAND – 14522 Windy Willow – Missouri City, TX – 77489 – 832-271-9180 – HFD layoffs – **NOT PRESENT**

#12 - EVANGELIA MACKLIN – 4901 Brinkley St. – 77033 – 713-734-7276 – HFD/Prop. B. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Knox and Robinson absent.

STEVEN WILLIAMS – No Address – No Phone – Will appear to express personal opinion – **NOT PRESENT**

#13 - CODY ANDERSON – 3110 Town Park Dr., Apt. 3401 – Tyler, TX – 75701 – No phone - Pedal for Life Bike-A-Thon. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Knox and Robinson absent.

LOUISE TAYLOR – No Address – 346-773-0925 – Crackheads in the neighborhood/Burglary – **NOT PRESENT**

LYNELL GADISON – 7994 St. Lo Rd. – 77033 – 346-221-5620 – Housing issues – **NOT PRESENT**

#14 - RICK HURT – 12353 Huffmeister Rd. – Cypress, TX – 77429 – 832-202-4725 – Campaign signs August 7. Council Members Stardig, Martin, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Knox and Robinson 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 4:43 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 8, 2019, Council Members Davis, Boykins, Travis and Gallegos absent.

For more information and details from the Speakers List, please click here:
<https://houstontx.swagit.com/play/05072019-1010>

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, May 8, 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, 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 Dwight Boykins absent on personal business.

At 9:12 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and requested the Assistant City Secretary to call Items 1 The Public Hearing. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, and Knox absent.

1. **PUBLIC HEARING DATE** to provide a Resolution of No Objection to the 4% Housing Tax Credit application of **AMTEX MULTI-HOUSING, LLC, 1475 Gears Road - DISTRICT B – DAVIS- Motion 2019-0225 – Close hearing – NO SPEAKERS PRESENT.** Council Members Davis, Le and Travis absent.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to start off by talking about the weather, yesterday and what they are anticipating over the next several days. We have had a lot of rain in a short period of time more than 8 inches to 10 inches at a time that fell in the Kingwood area alone. There were some kids that were stranded in their school until their roads were passable. Almost all the streets in Kingwood were under and in Southwest Houston Keegans Bayou and Willow Waster hole did come out of their banks but no homes were effective or impacted. Things will pickup again this afternoon but supposedly these will be quick moving ban of systems and he is requesting that everyone be weather alert. Please, don't drive on streets that are covered by water. The Houston Fire Department, the Houston Police Department and the Houston Public Works Department are standing by to assist if their help is needed, along with Metro. Please take heed on the Weather Reports and Weather Alerts for over the next several days. Mayor Turner stated that the OTC Conference which is the Offshore Technology Conference is in Houston right now, they will be wrapping up in the next day or two but there are more than 60,000 people that are in town. This is the largest annual conference every year. They are completing their 50th year in the City of Houston and with this Conference has generated from an economic point of view \$3 billion and he wants to thank all of the organizers and the patriots of OTC.

At 9:20 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to the Agenda

ACCEPT WORK - NUMBERS 7 and 8

7. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$2,573,406.38 and acceptance of work on contract with **CLEANSERVE, INC** for Sewer Stoppage Cleaning and Television Inspection III (WW5100-03) - 1.68% under the original contract amount. **Motion 2019-0226 ADOPTED.** Council Members Davis and Travis absent.
8. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$2,523,775.63 and acceptance of work on contract with **CSA CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Sims North Wastewater Treatment Plant Waste Debris Handling and Disposal Station - 0.44% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount - **DISTRICT I - GALLEGOS** **Motion 2019-0227 ADOPTED** Council Members Davis and Travis absent.

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBER 10

10. **SENSOR TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING, LLC** for Linear Radiation Monitors for Public Safety and Homeland Security - \$169,192.00 - Grant Funds- **Motion 2019-0228 ADOPTED.** Council Members Davis and Travis absent.

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 14 through 25

14. **ORDINANCE** establishing the north and south sides of the 1400-1600 blocks of Del Norte 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 C – COHEN**- **Ordinance 2019-0334 ADOPTED** Council Members Davis and Travis absent.
16. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 37.93 acres of land to **FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 34**, for inclusion in its district. **Ordinance 2019-0335 ADOPTED** Council Members Davis and Travis absent.
17. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 8.65 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 248**, for inclusion in its district- **Ordinance 2019-0336 ADOPTED** Council Members Davis and Travis absent.
20. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **TRILOGY ENGINEERING SERVICES, LLC** for Hurricane Harvey Disaster Cost Recovery for Wastewater Lift Stations; providing a maximum contract amount - \$400,000.00 Enterprise Fund - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; E - MARTIN and F – LE-** **Ordinance 2019-0337 ADOPTED** Council Members Davis and Travis absent.
21. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **KENALL, INC** for Hurricane Harvey Disaster Cost Recovery for Wastewater Lift Stations; providing a maximum contract amount - \$400,000.00 - Enterprise Fund - **DISTRICTS F - LE and G - TRAVIS** **Ordinance 2019-0338 ADOPTED** Council Members Davis and Travis absent.
23. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **NEEL-SCHAFFER, INC** for Hurricane Harvey Disaster Cost

Recovery for Wastewater Collections Systems; providing a maximum contract amount - \$400,000.00 - Enterprise Fund. **Ordinance 2019-0339 ADOPTED** Council Members Davis and Travis absent.

- 24. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,657,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **ISANI CONSULTANTS, L.P.** for Paving and Drainage improvements in the Alief Forest South Area – Sub- Project 1; providing funding for CIP cost recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF - **DISTRICT F - LE Ordinance 2019-0340 ADOPTED** Council Members Davis and Travis absent.
- 25. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$220,000.00 out of Metro Construction – Other Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **NEDU ENGINEERING SERVICES, INC** for the Sidewalk Program; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Construction – Other Fund. **Ordinance 2019-0341 ADOPTED** Council Members Davis and Travis absent.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

- 2. REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment of **JUNE DEADRICK** to Position Four to the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HOUSTON ARTS ALLIANCE**, for an unexpired term ending June 30, 2020. Council Members Davis, Le and Travis absent. **Motion 2019-0229 ADOPTED** Council Member Davis absent.
- 3. REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FIVE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MEMORIAL HEIGHTS ZONE)**:
- Position One - **ROBERT M. STEIN**, reappointment, for a term to expire December 31, 2020
 - Position Two - **ANN LENTS**, reappointment, for a term to expire December 31, 2019 and to serve as Chair
 - Position Three - **BRYAN M. BROWN**, reappointment, for a term to expire December 31, 2020
 - Position Five - **ALEJANDRO COLOM**, reappointment, for a term to expire December 31, 2020
 - Position Six - **CHRISTOPHER DAVID MANRIQUEZ**, HISD representative reappointment, for a term to expire December 31, 2019
 - Position Seven - **MARVIN PIERRE**, appointment for a term to expire December 31, 2020
- Motion 2019-0230 ADOPTED**
- 4. REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MEMORIAL HEIGHTS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**:

- Position One - **ROBERT M. STEIN**, reappointment, for a term to expire December 31, 2020
- Position Two - **ANN LENTS**, reappointment, for a term to expire December 31, 2019 and to serve as Chair
- Position Three - **BRYAN M. BROWN**, reappointment, for a term to expire December 31, 2020
- Position Five - **ALEJANDRO COLOM**, reappointment, for a term to expire December 31, 2020
- Position Six - **CHRISTOPHER DAVID MANRIQUEZ**, HISD representative reappointment, for a term to expire December 31, 2019
- Position Seven - **MARVIN PIERRE**, appointment for a term to expire December 31, 2020

Motion 2019-0231 ADOPTED

5. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **PLANNING COMMISSION**, for terms to expire June 30, 2021:

Position Thirteen - **RODNEY R. HEISCH**, appointment

Position Fourteen - **BILL BALDWIN**, reappointment

Motion 2019-0232 ADOPTED

6. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of the 2019 Operations and Maintenance Budget for the **TRINITY RIVER AUTHORITY** - \$4,488,391.00 - Enterprise Fund. **Motion 2019-0233 ADOPTED**

9. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$3,642,769.79 and acceptance of work on contract with **REPIPE CONSTRUCTION, LLC dba IPR SOUTH CENTRAL**, for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Cured-In-Place Pipe Method (4258-61) 0.61% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; E - MARTIN; F - LE; G - TRAVIS; H - CISNEROS; I - GALLEGOS and K - CASTEX-TATUM**
Council Members Castex-Tatum and Edwards tagged

11. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance 2017-860 to re-allocate \$2,000,000.00 of Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Affordable Housing Funds from Multifamily Activities to Single Family Housing Activities. **Ordinance 2019-0342 ADOPTED**

12. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing an amendment to Ordinance No. 2011-1207 to increase spending authority for the Lease Agreement between **UCM/GP-1301 FANNIN, L.P.**, landlord, and the City of Houston, Texas, tenant - \$950,000.00 - General Fund **Ordinance 2019-0343 ADOPTED**

13. **ORDINANCE** designating the property municipally known as 115 Marie Street and within the City of Houston, Texas as a protected landmark and designated the "Gloger-Aguilar House" - **DISTRICT H-CISNEROS** **Ordinance 2019-0344 ADOPTED**

15. **ORDINANCE** establishing the north and south sides of the 1000 block of Louise 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 H - CISNEROS**- **Ordinance 2019-0345 ADOPTED**

18. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the creation of **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 539**, containing 620.6117 acres of land within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, Texas; authorizing the district to exercise road powers and to issue bonds for road facilities, subject to certain conditions. **Council Member Stardig tagged**
19. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City and the property owner(s) at 5002 Braesheather Drive, Houston, Texas 77096 for Flood Mitigation Assistance Home Elevation Project to be performed by **PLANET THREE CONSULTING CORP.**; providing a maximum contract amount - \$528,957.12 - Enterprise, Grant and Other Funds - **DISTRICT C - COHEN Ordinance 2019-0346 ADOPTED**
22. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **HATCH CHESTER, INC** for Hurricane Harvey Disaster Cost Recovery for Wastewater Lift Stations; providing a maximum contract amount - \$400,000.00 - Enterprise Fund **DISTRICTS F - LE; J - LASTER and K - CASTEX-TATUM- Ordinance 2019-0347 ADOPTED**

NON CONSENT AGENDA - NUMBER 26

MISCELLANEOUS

26. **MOTION TO SET A DATE** not less than seven days from May 8, 2019, to receive nominations for Positions E and F of the **HOUSTON CLEAN CITY COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for terms ending January 1, 2021- **Motion 2019-0234 – Set to May 8, 2019 ADOPTED**

MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 27 through 29

27. **ORDINANCE** relating to retail electric rates of Centerpoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC within the City of Houston, Texas; suspending for ninety days the effective date of new rates; maintaining current rates in effect - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LASTER**
This was Item 13 on Agenda of May 1, 2019- Ordinance 2019-0348 ADOPTED
28. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$18,900,000.00 out of Airports Improvement Fund as additional appropriation and approving and authorizing Amendment No. 2 to two contracts between the City of Houston and **HOUSTON AVIATION ALLIANCE**, a joint venture, and between the City of Houston and **PARSONS & HJ RUSSELL IAH TEAM**, a joint venture, for Professional Program Management Support Services for the Houston Airport System (as Approved by Ordinance No. 2015-314 and amended by Ordinance No. 2016-801); Project No. 801 - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER LASTER**
This was Item 18 on Agenda of May 1, 2019- Ordinance 2019-0349 ADOPTED
29. **ORDINANCE** awarding the contract to **LOPEZ NEGRETE COMMUNICATIONS, INC** for the Census “2020” Engagement Initiative for the Planning and Development Department - 650,000.00 General Fund - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS BOYKINS and GALLEGOS**
This was Item 29 on Agenda of May 1, 2019- Ordinance 2019-0350 ADOPTED

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE FOR AGENDA OF MAY 8, 2019

30. RESOLUTION of the City Council prescribing the date, time, and location of a public hearing on the City budgets for the time period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; authorizing notice of such public hearing and making other provisions related to the subject- **Pulled - Not Considered**

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to wish everyone, a Happy Mother's Day.

MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS - Council Member Knox first Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 11:24 a.m. Council Members Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster, Knox and Kubosh absent.

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

Pat J. Daniel, Assistant City Secretary