

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, January 14, 2020

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 14, 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 1:42 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and stated they would start with the presentations. Council Members Peck, Davis, Evans-Shabazz, Travis, Gallegos, Knox and Plummer absent.

Mayor Turner presented a proclamation to United Against Human Trafficking to recognize Human Trafficking Awareness Month.

Mayor Turner presented a proclamation to Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. to recognize their 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary.

At 2:26 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Davis for the Invocation and to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Roll was Called.

Council Member Castex-Tatum moved to adopt the Minutes of January 14-15, 2020 and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Kubosh for a Procedural Motion; Council Member Kubosh moved Lorenza Butler to speak after Donnell Cooper and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent.

**MOTION 2020-0015 ADOPTED**

At 2:28 p.m. Mayor Turner requested the Assistant City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

**#1** - DONNELL COOPER – 27702 Sass Field Court – Fulshear, TX – 77441 – 713-538-3850 – 32nd Annual Dr Martin Luther King Breakfast. Council Members Davis and Travis absent.

**#2** - LORENZA BUTLER – 4542 N. Ripple Dr. – 77053 – 832-880-3733 – Frontier Martin Luther King Breakfast. Council Members Davis and Travis absent.

**#3** - THEODOR WEISGAL – 12137 Stone West Dr. – 77035 – 281-546-6793 – The first amendment, HPD suppressing my right. Council Members Davis and Travis absent.

NIA COLBERT – 2200 South Wayside Dr. – 77023 – 346-339-7122 – City's role in the housing crisis. **NOT PRESENT**

DAWINE DACOSTA – No Address – No Phone – 346-251-1254 – Highways and Hedges. **NOT PRESENT**

VIRGINIA JOHNSON – 6806 Greenhurst St. – 77091 – 832-259-4699 – Nuisance neighbor, pollution and harassment. **NOT PRESENT**

**#4** - CALVIN BEAL – 715 West Rittenhouse Rd. – 77091 – 832-724-2112 – Rebuild Houston Program/House is deteriorating. Council Members Travis and Kubosh absent.

**#5** - FORREST STOKES – 9220 Nathaniel St., Apt. #805 – 77075 – 713-446-1327 – HPD doesn't respond to requests to investigate. Council Members Travis and Cisneros absent.

**#6** - GARY LYNN – 15503 T. C. Jester Blvd. – 77068 – 832-325-8966 – People with Disabilities update. Council Members Davis, Travis and Cisneros absent.

**#7** - ANDRIEA LYNN – 15503 T. C. Jester Blvd. – 77068 – 832-258-6442 – Security at W. Gray Multi-Purpose Center/None present. Council Members

ROLAND CURRY – 5911 Bent Bow Ln. – 77088 – 832-977-9305 – Thanking William-Paul Thomas for praying for me. **NOT PRESENT**

**#8** - BOB YALAMANCHILI – No Address - 713-385-3474 – Cleanup the City. Council Members Davis, Travis and Cisneros absent.

Mayor Turner stated that while Ms. Blount is coming to the podium, he wanted to note that 4600 Tweeps are present in Houston for this week from all over the world. The Founder and the CEO of Twitter is here and he brought his conference this year.

MIKE HUGHES – 7026 Heron Dr. – 77087 – 832-372-3338 – Community involvement.  
**NOT PRESENT**

**#9** - ROMISSA BLOUNT – No Address – No Phone – Ministry work. Council Members Davis and Travis absent.

**#10** - SAM SMITH – 16803 Imperial Valley Dr. – 77060 – 346-410-9872 – Health Department. Council Members Peck, Davis, Travis and Knox 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 3:17 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 8, 2020.

For more information and details from the Speakers List, please click here:  
<https://houstontx.swagit.com/play/01142020-2084>

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, January 8, 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.

At 9:07 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and moved to the Mayor's Report. Council Members Davis, Kammin, Travis, Cisneros, Castex-Tatum, Knox and Kubosh absent.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Turner stated that employees of Twitter have gathered in the City of Houston and they are from around the world. They have convened in Houston because of their resilience and our diversity and the role that Twitter played in keeping people safe during Hurricane Harvey. He wants to thank the CEO, the Co-Founder of Twitter Jack Dorsey in bringing over 4,000 of his tweeps to Houston. I had an opportunity to extend some welcoming remarks to them on yesterday and they will be here for 3 days. They are sending tweets of Houston all over the world and showcasing the City of Houston.

Mayor Turner wanted to remind everyone of the Annual Chevron Marathon and Aramco Half Marathon will take place this coming Sunday morning starting and ending Downtown. There would be thousand and thousands of runners that are out there as before. More than for fun but the run for a reason apart involves runners raising money for sponsors for their selected charities and a number of charities will benefit. Another reminder is Monday morning the North Houston Frontier's Club Breakfast starts promptly at 8:00 a.m. and the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade will start promptly at 10:00 a.m. He again wants to invite all of Houston out to the only parade that's backed by the City of Houston and the King Family.

Mayor Turner stated that the report on the shooting at Bellaire High School in which one of the students was killed, it's like you're at a loss for words because this is happening way too often. He wants prayers to go out to the student that lost his life, the family and the friends and matter of fact we just want to pray for all of the schools out there. He met with the Mayor's Youth Council on ways to move forward creating a safer environment.

### **CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 33**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS** - NUMBER 1

1. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$143,409.75 on contract with **MAIN LANE INDUSTRIES, LTD.** for Mulford Street and Sidewalk Improvements (Lawndale and Magnolia Park Area Improvements - Package 2) - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS** – was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2020-0016 ADOPTED**

#### **ACCEPT WORK** - NUMBERS 2 through 4

2. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$1,538,568.33 and acceptance of work on contract with **T CONSTRUCTION LLC** for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal - 1.12% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICTS A - PECK; B - DAVIS; C - KAMIN; D - EVANS-SHABAZZ; F - THOMAS; H - CISNEROS; I - GALLEGOS 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 and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2020-0017 ADOPTED**

3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director of General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of \$747,908.00 and acceptance of work on contract with **CARRERA CONSTRUCTION, INC** for Judson Robinson Jr. Playground - 4.99% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency - **DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ** - was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2020-0018 ADOPTED**
4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director of General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of \$306,739.00 and acceptance of work on contract with **AR TURNKEE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC** for Wilson Memorial Park - 3.63% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN** - was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2020-0019 ADOPTED**

**PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS** - NUMBERS 5 through 7

5. **NETSYNC NETWORK SOLUTIONS, INC** for spending authority to purchase SAP Infrastructure Hardware and Software through the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) for Houston Information Technology Services - \$979,474.45 - Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund – was presented, moved by Council Member Martin and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2020-0020 ADOPTED**
6. **ALLSTATE GROUNDWATER CONTROL, L.P.** for Emergency Purchase for Repair of Groundwater Control System for Houston Public Works - \$222,018.00 - Enterprise Fund **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS** – was presented, moved by Council Member Martin and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2020-0021 ADOPTED**
7. **HARTWELL ENVIRONMENTAL CORPORATION** for Emergency Purchase for Replacement of the Retrofit Carriage Assembly for Houston Public Works - \$198,511.65 - Enterprise Fund - was presented, moved by Council Member Martin and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent. **MOTION 2020-0022 ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 8 through 33

8. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON** to extend the term of the contract and provide additional Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS ("HOPWA") Funds for the continuing administration and operation of a Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program, a Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance Program, along with other Supportive Services - \$875,000.00 - Grant Fund - **DISTRICT C – KAMIN** – was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2020-0039 ADOPTED**

- 10. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **HOUSTON SRO HOUSING CORPORATION** to extend the term of the contract and provide additional Housing Opportunities for Person with AIDS ("HOPWA") Funds for the continuing administration and operation of a HOPWA Community Residence along with Supportive Services - \$196,090.62 - Grant Fund - **DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent.  
**ORDINANCE 2020-0040 ADOPTED**
- 15. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing an International Facilities Agreement by and between the City of Houston and **ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES** at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston - Revenue - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent. **ORDINANCE 2020-0041 ADOPTED**
- 17. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Parking Agreement between **SP PLUS CORPORATION**, as Licensor, and the City of Houston, Texas, as Licensee, for spaces at 1600 Smith Street, Houston, Texas, for use by the Houston Police Department - 3 years with two one-year options - \$1,708,500.00 - General Fund - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent.  
**ORDINANCE 2020-0042 ADOPTED**
- 20. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing the submission of an application for and acceptance of the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division for the FY20 Opioid Antagonist Grant Program; 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. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent.  
**ORDINANCE 2020-0043 ADOPTED**
- 31. ORDINANCE** granting to **ABM TEXAS GENERAL SERVICES, INC**, a Delaware Corporation, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - providing for related terms and conditions - **FIRST READING** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent.  
**ORDINANCE 2020-0044 PASSED 1<sup>ST</sup> READING IN FULL**
- 28. ORDINANCE** granting to **AQUA ACES, LLC**, a Texas Limited Liability Company, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions - **FIRST READING** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent.  
**ORDINANCE 2020-0045 PASSED 1<sup>ST</sup> READING IN FULL**

29. **ORDINANCE** granting to **PRESTIGE BUILDING GROUP, LLC**, a Texas Limited Liability Company, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions **FIRST READING** – was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Kubosh absent.  
**ORDINANCE 2020-0046 PASSED 1<sup>ST</sup> READING IN FULL**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

9. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **HOUSTON AREA COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC, dba AVENUE 360**, to extend the term of the contract and provide additional Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS ("HOPWA") Funds for the continuing administration of a Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program, Short Term Rent, Mortgage and Utility Assistance Program along with Permanent Housing Placement Services and other Supportive Services, and the operation of a Transitional Medical Respite Facility - \$2,856,237.00 - Grant Fund – was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0047 ADOPTED**
11. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **SEARCH HOMELESS SERVICES** to extend the term of the contract and provide additional Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS ("HOPWA") Funds for the continuing administration and operation of a Supportive Services Program offering Childcare for Families Living with HIV - \$132,579.00 - Grant Fund - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0048 ADOPTED**
12. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract between the City of Houston and **HEALTHCARE FOR THE HOMELESS-HOUSTON**, extending the term of the contract and providing up to \$170,000.00 in additional Community Development Block Grant Funds for the continuing administration and operation of Project Access, a Homeless Transportation Program that provides homeless persons with access to Essential Health and Social Services Resources - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
**ORDINANCE 2020-0049 ADOPTED**
13. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing an amended and restated Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and **HARRIS COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT** to extend the performance period for the Voluntary Property Buyout Acquisition Process from 24 to 36 Months and make other changes throughout the agreement as requested by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0050 ADOPTED**
14. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing fourth amendment to the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery 2015 (CDBG-DR15) Action Plan to revise the age eligibility criteria for the Single-Family Housing Program and to change the Valuation Method for Acquired Properties in the Strategic Buyout Program - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0051 ADOPTED**

16. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Lease Agreement between **10039 BISSONNET, LP**, Landlord, and the City of Houston, Texas, Tenant, for approximately 2,562 sq. ft. of office space located at 10039 Bissonnet, Houston, Texas 77036, for occupancy by the Houston Health Department - 10 Years with two five-year renewal options - **DISTRICT J – POLLARD** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0052 ADOPTED**
18. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **ELEVATOR REPAIR SERVICE, INC dba E.R.S., INC** for Elevators and Escalators Maintenance and Repair Services for Various Departments; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$7,386,762.25 - General, Enterprise and Other Funds - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0053 ADOPTED**
19. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract with **RESCUED PETS MOVEMENT INC** for Animal Transport Services for the City of Houston's Administration and Regulatory Affairs Department; establishing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options \$3,960,000.00 - BARC Special Revenue Fund – was presented and **Tagged by Council Members Travis and Davis.**
21. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to first amended and restated SafeClear™ Freeway Towing and Emergency Road Service Agreement with **UNIFIED AUTO WORKS PAINT & BODY, INC dba UNIFIED AUTO WORKS (Operator)** – was presented and **Tagged by Council Member Davis.**
22. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 155.0263 acres of land to **GREENS PARKWAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**, for inclusion in its district – was presented and **Tagged by Council Member Kamin.**
23. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 1.033 acres of land to **NORTH GREEN MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**, for inclusion in its district - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0054 ADOPTED**
24. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 60.06 acres of land to **WEST HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 21**, for inclusion in its district - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0055 ADOPTED**
25. **MUNICIPAL SETTING DESIGNATION Ordinance** prohibiting the use of designated groundwater beneath a tract of land containing 13.487 acres commonly known as 8901 Hempstead Road, Houston, Harris County, Texas; supporting issuance of a Municipal Setting Designation by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality at the request of **STAUFFER MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLC - DISTRICT C – KAMIN** – was presented and **Tagged by Council Member Kamin.**
26. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,023,007.70 out of Street and Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF Fund; approving and authorizing the first amendment to the Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Houston and **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for the replacement of the Calhoun Street Bridge at Brays Bayou; providing funding to rehabilitate and replace the Calhoun Street Bridge at Brays Bayou - **DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0056 ADOPTED**

- 27. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$353,567.50 out of HPW - Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; approving and authorizing the Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Houston and **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for voluntary relocation of Federally Funded Off-System Bridge Project; providing funding to reconstruct the Calhoun Street Bridge at Brays Bayou, including relocating water and sanitary sewer lines - **DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ**  
**This item should only be considered after passage of Item 26 above** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0057 ADOPTED**
- 28. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to the Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Houston, **HARRIS COUNTY** and the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT)** for the Reconstruction of Clinton Drive from the Port of Houston Authority Gate 8 Entrance to IH-610 (as approved by Ordinance No. 2011-0541) - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS and H – CISNEROS** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0058 ADOPTED**
- 29. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$294,688.96 out of Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF, \$1,272,907.35 out of the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF and \$155,455.44 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund awarding contract to **CONRAD CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.** for realignment of Tierwester Street from Faulkner Street to Idaho Street; 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 Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF, Metro Projects Construction DDSRF and Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2020-0059 ADOPTED**
- 30. 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 **SP ENGINEERING, INC** for Citywide Street and Traffic Rehabilitation 2; 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. **ORDINANCE 2020-0060 ADOPTED**

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 10:04 a.m. Council Members Davis, Travis, Knox and Kubosh absent.

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

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Pat J. Daniel, Assistant City Secretary



