

MOTION NO. 2024-541-1

Location: City Hall Annex Council Chamber

Date: July 2, 2024

Time: 9:00 A.M.

Invocation

Council Member Castillo invited Rev. Jeffrey Pittman for the invocation after which he led the Pledge of Allegiance. Rev. Pittman is the Pastor of Petra and Green AME Church. Petra and Green AME Church is the oldest Church in Independent Heights. They're anchored in faith, love and hope. We are glad to have Pastor Pittman here for the Invocation.

Roll Call

A Consolidated meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 9:05 a.m., Wednesday, July 2, 2024, Mayor John Whitmire presiding with Council Members Amy Peck, Tarsha Jackson, Abbie Kamin, Carolyn Evans-Shabazz, Fred Flickinger, Tiffany D. Thomas, Mario Castillo, Joaquin Martinez, Edward Pollard, Martha Castex-Tatum, Julian Ramirez, Willie Davis, Twila Carter, Letitia Plummer and Sallie Alcorn; Randy Zamora, Legal Department and Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director, present. Council Member Mary Nan Huffman absent on personal business.

Adopt Minutes

Council Member Castex-Tatum made a motion to adopt the minutes of January 23-24, 2024, and seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Miscellaneous

REPORT FROM CITY CONTROLLER AND THE CITY ADMINISTRATION REGARDING THE CURRENT FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE CITY including but not limited to, a revenue, expenditure and encumbrance report for the General Fund, all special revenue funds and all enterprise funds, and a report on the status of bond funds – Was presented, moved by Council Member Alcorn to accept the Monthly Financial Report for period ending May 31, 2024, and seconded by Council Member Castillo, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0542 ADOPTED**

Mayor's Report

Mayor Whitmire stated the City of Houston official Fourth of July Celebration Shell Freedom over Texas will be Thursday, from 4pm – 10pm. The fireworks are at 9:30pm. The city has a great lineup as you would expect. I encourage all Houstonians to participate. We must emphasize safety due to the extreme heat. Please use good judgment, it will be hot. Mayor Whitmire stated that Houston has the best Fireworks show than any other City in America.

Mayor Whitmire recognized Council Member Ramirez for a Point of Personal Privilege. Council Member Ramirez recognized a former City of Houston employee who has had a huge impact on our city. I would like to recognize Mr. Thomas Crinick. I'm not going to ask you to talk, but would you please come forward. He was an archivist Historian for the Regional Houston Metropolitan Center and a Civil Rights advocate in the Hispanic Community. Mr. Crinick was helpful in acquiring important records that help make up research in the Julia Ideson Building. He was a City of Houston employee for twelve (12) years, and he currently lives in the San Antonion area. Mr. Crinick has written a number of books. Thank you for your service and your work has given us something we can all enjoy.

Mayor Whitmire recognized Council Member Flickinger to discuss the Kingwood Parade. The Kingwood Parade is Saturday at 10:00 a.m. Council Member Flickinger requested Janie Brenam to come and speak about the parade. We have a float in the Kingwood Independence Day Parade.

We're asking all Council Members to be there at 9:00 a.m. for the group photo and all elected officials to surround the float in the parade.

Speakers

Mayor Whitmire recognized Council Member Jackson that the rules be suspended for the purpose of adding Fred Woods to the top of the three (3) minute Agenda List of Speakers and seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0543 ADOPTED**

Mayor Whitmire requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

1. JACOB RUSSELL – No address – No phone – Items 1 and 2 – Montrose Zone Board of Directors
2. LAURA CONELY – 1948 W. Lamar St. – 77019 – 713-392-1923 – Items 1 and 2 – Montrose Zone Board of Directors

VICTORIA ZABARAS – No address – No phone – Items 1 and 2 – Montrose Zone Board of Directors – **NOT PRESENT**

3. EVELYN SPIKE – No address – 832-319-3009 – Items 1 and 2 – Montrose Zone Board of Directors
4. GIA LONGSWORTH – 614 Kipling St. – 77006 – 281-954-1267 – Items 1 and 2 – Montrose Zone Board of Directors
5. EMILY ARDOIN – 3614 Montrose Blvd. #404 – 77006 – 337-962-2103 – Items 2 and 3 - Historic Landmark nominations

6. LAURA CAILLE – No address – No phone – Items 1 and 2 – TIRZ appointee
7. FRED WOODS – No Address – No Phone – Subject not given
8. JACK VALINSKI – No address – 713-459-9927 – Items 1 and 2 – Montrose Zone Board of Directors
9. JOHN GEISS – 1836 Lexington St. - 77098 – 713-828-5240 – Items 1 and 2 - Montrose Zone Board of Directors
10. JULIE PAYNE – 5903 Vineyard Creek Ln. - Porter – 77365 – 409-963-6730 – Item 14 – West End Health Center
11. ROBERT CHOATE – No address – 713-818-6945 – Item 14 – West End Health Center
12. LAURA CARRERA – 1224 Houston Ave. - 77007 – 646-830-3009 – Protected landmarks

Mayor Whitmire recognized Council Member Evans-Shabazz that the rules be suspended for the purpose of adding Mike Pittman to speak next and seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0544 ADOPTED**

Mayor Whitmire recognized Council Member Evans-Shabazz that the rules be suspended for the purpose of adding Marcus Davis to follow Mike Pittman and seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0545 ADOPTED**

13. MIKE PITTMAN – No Address – No Phone – Subject not given
14. MARCUS DAVIS - No Address – No Phone – Subject not given

TERRY RICHARDSON – 4510 Ella Blvd – 77018 – 281-804-9550 – Halt on permitting in 5th Ward – **NOT PRESENT**

15. RICHARD STOISITS – 2111 River Bend Way – Kingwood – 77345 – 832-226-9553 – Contribution to the arts

REGINA CLORE – No address – 832-614-7025 – Violence against women – **NOT PRESENT**

DANIEL PEREZ – 6830 Japonica St. - 77087 – 346-401-8743 – Immigration comments – **NOT PRESENT**

16. JULIE THOBAE – 1910 Decatur St. - 77006 – 713-409-7891 – Community interests and thanking the Mayor

Mayor Whitmire recognized Council Member Plummer for a Point of Personal Privilege. Council Member Pummer recognized her niece who is visiting today. Ms. Nina Haley is a senior attending Dodson High School. She is majoring in Fashion Design and Marketing. She also has a real desire for Climate Action and environmental impact on the community.

17. ANNE THOBAE – 1204 W. Drew St. – 77006 – 713-409-7892 – Community interest and thanking the Mayor

18. TARA RICE – 15000 Park Row St. - 77084 – 817-905-4945 – Thanking Mayor Whitmire and Council

19. SARAH FRAZIER – 1201 Welch St. - 77006 – No phone – Citizen concerns

20. MARILYN LUNNON – 1108 Barkley Ct. - Pearland – 77581 – 832-723-9909 – Support for educational project

21. LIAM McCOLLUM – No address – 832-816-5191 – Thanking City Council

ANNIE LEE – 3439 Brookston St. - 77045 – 281-739-2015 – Trash pickup – **NOT PRESENT**

22. WALTER VIDAL – No address – No phone – HPD corruption

23. MARIA LOPEZ – No address – No phone – HPD corruption

KERRY RICE – No address – 832-245-7478 – Terrorism/life and death situation – **NOT PRESENT**

EMILY MEDLEY – 423 Peden St. - 77006 – 832-465-7083 – Johnny Steele Dog Park – **NOT PRESENT**

24. JASON MEDLEY – 423 Peden St. - 77006 – 281-352-6032 – Johnny Steele Dog Park

25. KENNETH LAVERGNE – No address – 713-799-3238 – Neighborhood disturbance

JAMES BONNER – No address – 713-376-7101 – HISD and the impact on the City of Houston – **NOT PRESENT**

26. THEODORE CARRERO – PO Box 420844 – 77242 – 346-243-3647 – HISD schools

Mayor Whitmire recognized Council Member Castillo that the rules be suspended for the purpose of moving Marian Wright and seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none.

MOTION 2024-0547 ADOPTED

CHERIE TAYLOR – No address – 832-673-8387 – Assistance for 73-year old mother – **NOT PRESENT**

JOHN KENNERSON – No address – No phone – 5613 Almeda Rd – **NOT PRESENT.**

URMILA SRINIVASAN – No address – 832-607-4322 – Protected landmarks and significant structures – NOT PRESENT

SAM SMITH – 7813 Glass St. – 77016 – 281-925-9648 – Safety issues – **NOT PRESENT**

JOHN STIPETICH – 2011 Holcombe Blvd. #2105 – 77030 – 713-385-7825 – Traffic safety – **NOT PRESENT**

27. ELIZABETH SHEFFIELD – No address – No phone – Unhoused population in Houston

Mayor Whitmire recognized Council Member Kamin that the rules be suspended for the purpose of moving Stephen Longmire to follow Alexander Spike and seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0546 ADOPTED**

28. CLEMENTE MATHIS – 4805 Lyons Ave. - 77020 – No phone – Displacement in public housing

MUSHEER ELMAHMOUD – 11907 Flushing Meadows Dr. – 77089 - 832-836-0683 – Israel/Hamas war update – **NOT PRESENT**

MARYAM NABHANI – 7600 Burgoyne Rd. - 77063 – 832-607-2343 – City Council inaccessibility **NOT PRESENT**

ELIZABETH MEISEKOTHEN – No address – 346-670-0314 – House demolition – **NOT PRESENT**

RUDY FRANCO – No address – 281-216-9677 – House demolition – **NOT PRESENT**

ALEXANDER SPIKE – 2520 Caroline St. – 77002 – 713-413-7375 – Items 1 and 2 – Montrose Board – **NOT PRESENT**

29. STEPHEN LONGMIRE – 603 W. Main St. - 77006 – 346-563-6795 – Items 1 and 2 - TIRZ 27 Board

CEASAR ESPINOZA – 6610 Harwin Dr. #214 – 77036 – 713-364-3435 – Follow up to comments made by Mayor – **NOT PRESENT**

30. SAVANT MOORE – 1712 Benson St. - 77020 – 808-726-5247 – HISD update school closures

31. BENJAMIN BROADWAY – No address – 832-573-1627 – Lakewood Library

DANA JONES – 1270 Hopper Rd. - 77037 – 281-785-5263 – Drainage – **NOT PRESENT**

32. JACOB KLEMENTICH – 4004 Montrose Blvd. #42 – 77006 – 832-596-8187 – Patriot

33. MARIAN WRIGHT – No address – No phone – Items 1 and 2 - Confirmation of board nominees

34. EDUARDO DURAN – No address – 832-405-2717 – Problem in society

Agenda

At 11:30 a.m., Mayor Whitmire requested the City Secretary to call the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 8

ACCEPT WORK - NUMBER 3

3. RECOMMENDATION from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$956,486.28 and acceptance of work on contract with **VACA UNDERGROUND UTILITIES, INC** for Force Main Renewal and Replacement for Tanya Circle, Old Stone Trail and Plum Creek Lift Stations 4.62% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICTS G - HUFFMAN and I - MARTINEZ**
Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Evans-Shabazz absent. **MOTION 2024-0548 ADOPTED**

ORDINANCES

6. ORDINANCE establishing the east and west sides of the 8500- 8600 blocks of Easter Street, between Ellington Street and the end of Easter 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 B - JACKSON**
Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2024-0500 ADOPTED**
7. ORDINANCE renewing the establishment of the east and west sides of the 1500- 1600 blocks of Harvard Street, between E. 15th Street and E. 18th 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 - KAMIN**
Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2024-0501 ADOPTED**

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

1. REQUEST from Mayor confirmation of the appointment of the following individuals to the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-SEVEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MONTROSE ZONE)**, for a term to expire December 31, 2025:
Position One - **MATTHEW S. BROLLIER**, and will serve as Chair for a term ending 12/31/2024
Position Three - **MURAD AJANI**
Position Five - **ROBERT GUTHART**
Position Seven - **HELEN ZUNKA**
Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0549 ADOPTED**
2. REQUEST from Mayor confirmation of the appointment of the following individuals to the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MONTROSE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**, for a term to expire December 31, 2025:

- Position One - **MATTHEW S. BROLLIER**, and will serve as Chair for a term ending 12/31/2024
Position Three - **MURAD AJANI**
Position Five - **ROBERT GUTHART**
Position Seven - **HELEN ZUNKA**

Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0550 ADOPTED**

4. RESOLUTION authorizing the issuance of a Letter of Approval to **EMS PROS, LLC** pursuant to Section 773.0573 of the Texas Health and Safety Code
Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2024-0022 ADOPTED**
5. RESOLUTION authorizing the issuance of a Letter of Approval to **NOVA EMS, INC** pursuant to Section 773.0573 of the Texas Health and Safety Code
Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2024-0023 ADOPTED**
8. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 15.1563 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 588**, for inclusion in its district
Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2024-0502 ADOPTED**

MATTERS HELD

9. Consideration of proposed amendments to Item 10 below, submitted in writing on June 26, 2024 by Council Members Peck, Jackson, Flickinger, Huffman, Castex-Tatum and Carter (Amendments will be considered in the order of a matrix prepared by the Administration)
Passage of the amendments is contingent upon passage of Item 10 below

WRITTEN Motion by Council Member Peck to amend the proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan, as follows:

EXHIBIT AMENDMENT 6.02

\$6,620,000.00 shall be removed from the Antoine Drive Paving and Drainage Project from Hammerly to Hempstead (N-100009) and moved to the Tanner Road Paving and Drainage Project (N-000589)

All voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0551 ADOPTED**

WRITTEN Motion by Council Member Jackson to amend the proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan, as follows:

EXHIBIT AMENDMENT 7.03

Move up the repairs of Shepherd-Acres Home Neighborhood Library from 2029 to 2025. Cost \$3Million

All voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0553 ADOPTED**

WRITTEN Motion by Council Member Flickinger to amend the proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan, as follows:

EXHIBIT AMENDMENT 10.1

Increase funding for W-12 ERAM (HFD Ambulances) from \$1,686,000 to \$3,600,000 for the purchase of 10 total ambulances in FY25

All voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0554 ADOPTED**

10. MOTION by Council Member Castex-Tatum/Seconded by Council Member Thomas to adopt recommendation from Director Finance Department to approve the Fiscal Year 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS THOMAS and CASTEX-TATUM**

This was Item 6 on Agenda of June 26, 2024

Was presented, move by Council Member Castex-Tatum to adopt the 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan as amended and seconded by Council Member Thomas, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0555 ADOPTED**

11. MOTION by Council Member Castex-Tatum/Seconded by Council Member Thomas to adopt recommendation from Chief Procurement Officer on award to **FERGUSON ENTERPRISES, LLC** for Purchase of Couplings through the National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance for Houston Public Works \$112,442.20 - Enterprise Fund - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PLUMMER**

This was Item 10 on Agenda of June 26, 2024

Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0556 ADOPTED**

Motion by Council Member Thomas that the rules be suspended for the purpose of remaining in session beyond the scheduled 12:00 noon recess to complete the Agenda and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0552 ADOPTED**

12. MOTION by Council Member Castex-Tatum/Seconded by Council Member Thomas to adopt recommendation from Chief Procurement Officer on award to **COBURN SUPPLY COMPANY INC** for Purchase of Fittings and Appurtenances for Houston Public Works - 3 Years with 2 one-year options \$4,668,611.61 - Enterprise Fund - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PLUMMER**

This was Item 11 on Agenda of June 26, 2024

Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2024-0557 ADOPTED**

13. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between City of Houston, **HARRIS COUNTY, HARRIS COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, HOUSTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM, HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY OF HARRIS COUNTY, HARRIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, HARRIS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT, d/b/a HARRIS HEALTH SYSTEM,** and **HOUSTON LAND BANK** to promote development of certain tax-delinquent properties; authorizing the Mayor to execute said Agreement
TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS JACKSON, POLLARD and RAMIREZ

This was Item 20 on Agenda of June 26, 2024

Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2024-0503 ADOPTED**

14. ORDINANCE appropriating \$3,917,000.00 out of Public Health Consolidated Construction Fund, approving and authorizing Design/Build Agreement with **TIMES CONSTRUCTION, INC** for West End Health Center Renovation Project; providing funding for contingencies and Civic Art - **DISTRICT C - KAMIN** - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS FLICKINGER, DAVIS and CARTER**

This was Item 32 on Agenda of June 26, 2024

Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2024-0504 ADOPTED**

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

There being no further business before Council, the City Council adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

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

Pat J. Daniel, City Secretary