

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, February 7, 2017

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 7, 2017; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Larry Green, Mike Knox, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Randy Zamora, Legal Department; Ms. Marta Crinejo Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present. Council Member Jerry Davis absent on personal business and Council Members Dave Martin out of the City on Personal business and David Robinson out of the City on City business.

At 1:38 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and stated that Council would start with presentations. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Green, Knox and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner stated that a true expert of the sport of baseball, Marquis "Bo" Porter has dedicated 23 years to baseball, both major and minor leagues, as a player, coach and manager and his love for sports motivated him to give back to the community, impacting the lives of countless youth, in 2012, Bo Porter and his wife, Stacey, established the Stacey and Bo Porter S.E.L.F. Foundation (Sports, Education, Life Skills, Faith) in Houston, which provides and supports programs that are dedicated to improving and impacting the lives of underprivileged and underserved youth and communities. S.E.L.F. partners with HISD to foster the after school programs for middle school age children and he also established Future All-Stars Baseball in 1998, by 2005, Future All-Stars Baseball, now Texas Hawkeyes Baseball, was nationally known as one of the top Select Baseball Organizations for youth baseball and grew into five select teams and has over 200 players annually attending development camps and the organization has produced more than 150 college scholarship-bound players and more than 20 professional baseball players over a 10-year period, outside of his contributions to baseball and his philanthropic efforts, Bo Porter's greatest achievement is his son, Bryce and Bo Porter's deep connection to sports derives from his expertise in the sport of baseball, previously playing in the Major Leagues as an outfielder for the Chicago Cubs, Oakland A's and Texas Rangers, he also served as the hitting coach for Class A Greensboro of the South Atlantic League, a third base coach and outfield/base running instructor with the Florida Marlins, a bench coach for the Arizona Diamondbacks and a third base coach for the Washington Nationals, as well as managing the Houston Astros and as part of the coaching staff for the Atlanta Braves, where he currently serves and most recently he was promoted to Special Assistant to the General Manager for the Atlanta Braves, during the 2014 Major League Baseball season, he made his sports commentating debut with MLB NETWORK and 120 Sports as an Analyst for the 2014 Major League Baseball Playoffs and World Series and on February 7, 2017, Bo Porter will be recognized for his countless accomplishments and contributions, the City of Houston commends Bo Porter for his great achievements and tireless dedication to our city and youth and extends best wishes on continued success and therefore, I, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed February 7, 2017, as Marquis "Bo" Porter Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Green and Knox absent.

Mayor Turner stated that on February 7, 2017, Yash Semlani will begin serving as the Mayor's Youth Ambassador for the month of February, and will focus on children's literacy, harmony in diversity and children's hunger and Yash Semlani is a young social entrepreneur and community leader, starting his entrepreneurial journey at the age of six based on a personal need, but quickly transforming it to make a social impact and he has donated and assisted in

raising funds for a major hospital in Houston to help children undergoing various illnesses, as a fifth grade honor roll student, he is part of the Gifted and Talented program at Barbara Bush Elementary School and he is also a Cub Scout and enjoys reading, chess and swimming, in 2015, Yash Semrani, along with his father, Chanakya Semrani, and younger brother, Jay Kewal Semrani, formed Make A Difference Entrepreneurs (MADE), a nonprofit organization that promotes the importance of youth learning business skills and remaining active in their communities and he also launched the video series Get MADE featuring interviews with successful kid entrepreneurs and their mentors/parents, on Nov 19, 2015, he launched Undercover Elves, a service project initiative benefiting seniors, homeless and underprivileged kids and the mission of the Mayor's Youth Ambassador Program is to provide elementary and middle school students the opportunity to develop leadership and citizenship skills while learning about city government, members develop a sense of personal growth and achievement, a profound understanding of city initiatives and work to establish a rapport with community leaders and the citizens of Houston. Youth Ambassadors will serve the city in their roles for one month, participating in various community service projects and special events and the City of Houston commends and congratulates Yash Semrani on his dedication to serving underprivileged and underserved youth through his nonprofit organization and other community endeavors and extends best wishes on a rewarding month and therefore I, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed February 7, 2017, as Yash Semrani Day Mayor's Youth Ambassador of the Month in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig and Travis absent.

Council Member Cisneros stated that The City of Houston's Bureau of Animal Regulation & Care (BARC), estimates that it would take more than 68,000 spay & neuter surgeries every year to curb the current overpopulation of dogs and cats within Houston, an estimated one million stray pets currently roam the streets and are often abused and in poor health and these pets are often aggressive and pose a safety risk to everyone and to help cut this population, the City of Houston, Harris County and Unity for a Solution are partnering together to recognize February as Spay/Neuter Awareness-Month, a nationwide effort to encourage pet owners and those living in neighborhoods affected by an overpopulation of strays to have pets and strays fixed and a new, annual event called Big Fix Houston will be held on the second Saturday of February, it will help low-income and high-need communities control pet overpopulation in their homes and neighborhoods and additional free and reduced-cost spay and neuter services will be made available that day, as well as opportunities to learn about responsible pet ownership and on February 11, 2017, Unity for a Solution will be honored for their continued effort to help facilitate as many spay/neuter surgeries as possible and stress the importance of taking advantage of free and/or reduced-cost spay & neuter services throughout the year, the City of Houston commends Unity for a Solution for helping reduce the population of strays that will result in healthier, less aggressive animals and lower instances of animal abuse and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed February 11, 2017, as Big Fix Houston Day Unity for a Solution in Houston, Texas. Council Member Stardig absent.

At 2:26 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Cohen for the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Council Member Cisneros absent.

At 2:28 p.m. the Roll was called. Council Member Jerry Davis absent on personal business, Council Members Dave Martin out of the City on Personal business and David Robinson out of the City on City business. Council Member Cisneros absent.

Council Member Green moved to delay the adoption of the January 31-February 1, 2017 minutes for one week and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Cisneros absent. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Laster for a point of personal privilege; Council Member Laster stated that he thinks that the guest already exited out of the room but earlier as they were giving out commendations, they were blessed to have the 4<sup>th</sup> grade class that was from the Betty Best Elementary that is in Alief ISD and they were taking a tour around City Hall. Council Member Cisneros absent.

Mayor Turner stated he wanted to remind everyone, now that they are heading to the Public Session to bear in mind that clapping during this portion is not allowed and if they want to show any support for anybody for them just raise their hands and shake them or they can stand up.

At 2:36 p.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

Council Member Travis moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Mr. Jim Scarborough out of order and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none.

**MOTION 2017-0080 ADOPTED**

Ms. Martha Meyers, 604 Eleanor St., 77009, (713)817-6827 appeared and stated that she is the President of the Lindale Civic Club, she wanted to thank the Council for their history of support for their neighborhood and she was requesting that support again and a neighborhood property had recently made a request for a variance to replat as an unrestricted reserve with the goal for commercial use as a vendor, they have requested a deferral of the hearing from the Planning Commission so as a community they can organize protest and as they all know that Lindale worked very hard to become 100% protected by Chapter 42 special minimum lot size and this property is in this protection as residential, the owner had been operating as a commercial vendor in violation of the City Ordinances and the City of Houston has an active lawsuit against the property owner, they are requesting the Council for support in one, of the law suit and two with the Planning Department to support their neighborhood character; three, to help them understand on what they need to do to protect their neighborhood for long term and to also guidance in the minutiae of their protest, they provided Members of Council letters and they are trying to figure out which properties are included in the 20% needed for legal protest and they are a Civic Club which they have a very tiny budget and they need as much support as they can get. Council Member Boykins absent.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Meyers and Mayor Turner stated that Dylan Osbourne of the Planning Department is present and he would help her to navigate her through the process.

Mr. Jim Scarborough, 1600 Post Oak Blvd., 77056, (713)248-2225 appeared and stated that he would like to congratulate the Mayor and City Council on the performance of the City on Super Bowl week, it was outstanding and as a resident and he was extremely proud, in August of 2015, the Mayor and City Council assessed clean energy act which was initiated by the Texas Legislature and it also called PACE, method which make small businesses or big businesses financing available where they put an assessment on the property, a voluntary assessment on the property which makes financing so much easier for energy efficient projects and he was also present today to speak about on November 2015 City Council and the Mayor knowing adopted the 2015 I.E.C.C which is the International Energy Conversation Code which singly handed destroy that PACE program, it is a job killer; he had been credited with being person that revolutionized the energy efficient exterior lighting from old technology to LED technology; and he was also speaking on behalf of his good friend Jerry Caroon with Extra Light Manufacturing Company and this what they do and he could give a quick illustration on what he is speaking about, I.E.C.C was written in 13 and 14, technology had advance so much since then, it actually had made it obsolete in exterior lighting which he explained how it related to commercial lighting to Members of Council about the watts and cost savings.

Mayor Turner and Members of Council questioned Mr. Scarborough on exactly what the issue was about.

Ms. Virginia Duke, 211 Eleanor St., 77009, (713)724-0681 appeared and stated that she had been a resident of Glendale Park since 1978 and when she started putting notes together for today but she found a document that she brought to pop session on November 27, 2012 and this is something that they have been wrestling with for 4 years, the property that is under question, he was working on it in 2012 and he was trying to change it from residential to commercial when the City order a cease work until the property goes through a replat process and that did not happen in 2012, since then they have gotten the minimum lot size for that block face on that particular property as well as a section of the neighborhood and she guesses it needs to go through change again, which he never did in the first place, this house is about 7600 square feet when he built it with his wife as their dream home and when he came with the plans the neighborhood said it was going to be larger and more expensive than anything in the neighborhood and it is worth 1.5 million dollars, they have tried to work with the man before back in 2012 they had community meeting and over 100 people showed up and at that meeting several of the Council Members at the time did come to the meeting to hear both sides on what was going on and now he had started in converting a store type business and he did not bother to get the permits until the Civic Association or other home owners called in and then he gets the permits and he also brought another property which is a vacant lot which he is going to convert into a parking lot, he does most of the work after hours and weekends when no one can come out to check, they have been fighting this for over 5 years, they are not opposed of development in the area but they do not need a venue that supports 300 plus people. Council Members Boykins, Green and Edwards absent.

Members of Council and Mayor Turner also requested Ms. Duke to speak with the Planning Department representation.

Ms. Deborah Allen, P.O. Box 263252, 77027, (713)264-0127 appeared and stated that she wanted everything released in alphabetical order by Thanksgiving November 18<sup>th</sup> and she wanted the \$300,000 dollars that the City took from them and continued to express her personal opinions and stated it was time for the City to pay her after 14 years. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Green and Edwards absent.

Mr. Gregory Caraway, 1215 Dennis St., 77004, (832)574-9534 8161 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Green and Edwards absent.

Mr. Monte Pounds, 1037 E.28<sup>th</sup> St., 77008, (713)397-1088 appeared and stated that he was here to support and represent his business partner and his best friend who has done a lot for the City and the businesses in the City, they are here to request to offer a community service to the citizens of Houston area and if possible the surrounding areas and he wanted to introduce who he is here for because that is what really matters Mitchell Berg is a public adjustor who assist catastrophe victims, he had worked in the Real Estate for over 30 years as a developer, builder and mortgage broker, in 2008 hurricane IKA caused significant property damages in the Houston and Galveston areas and many of Mitchells clients struggled as they worked through the claim process that was tedious and usually with disappointing results and this is commercial and residential, his clients had real issue with getting timely payments which were often far below true cost of rebuilding their properties, they were complaining to him and asking for his help in putting their homes and businesses back together, he is so detailed and honorable is what all his clients said they wish they had someone like him at all times to manage this for

them because they do not know the ins and the outs and what their rights are in dealing with the insurance companies and that is when he decided to become a public adjustor, while staying involved in the real estate industry, Mitchel had found his calling in helping people, communities and businesses put their lives back together after experiencing painful life altering experienced; he is licensed in 6 States and traveled extensively in the last 9 years for the States that had experienced hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding and other events in the surrounding areas. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Green and Edwards absent.

Council Member Christie questioned Mr. Pounds.

Mr. Mitchell Berg, 1037 E.28<sup>th</sup>, 77008, (713)397-1088 appeared and stated in short the insurance industry has a lot of ticks and unfortunately, people go through a tragedy whether it impacted individuals, commercial property and they do not have a game book which what makes that happen they get delayed and denied and with that sometimes ends up in court; 3 years ago in a row we all saw with the flood that hit Meyerland and surrounding areas and what type of impact it had for the City of Houston; so basically what he wants to do, he wants to offer his services as a community service, he wants to educate people as soon as possible so they know how to put claims together and how to protect themselves, he does not want anything out of it, he just wanted to the City of Houston to know that he was out there to help whether it would be putting on seminars for people and Civic groups, he just wanted direction on how he can educate folks on how to logically and correctly handle their claims. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Green and Edwards absent.

Council Member Christie questioned Mr. Berg.

Mr. John Lewis, 3224 Brackenridge St., 77026, (832)882-4075 appeared and stated that he was here to present a system that he believes that would eradicate this flooding at this City, the system is called the JBL Flood Eradication System and this system is designed to stop and to prevent flood water from leaving there place of retention and this system is also design to utilize the air space that is above the detention areas, this also will cost just a fraction of what it would cost to dig or to drill or open up ground ways for water space, the system can be up and ready and operating in less than 4 months, it can be built as large or small depending the capacity of water that over flows in the area and he was displaying a drawings of the system and what it looks like and explained it in detail. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Green and Edwards absent.

Mr. Travis Martin, 302 Eleanor St., 77009, (701)319-0005 appeared and stated that he is an activist and organizer and he wanted to speak a little but about the homeless population and the attitudes toward it, part of his activism required him to do a lot of traveling and he always make a point in whatever City he is in actually stop and talk to these people because he thinks that is one of the issues, we intend not to view these people as human beings but we intend to view them as a problem which that is the biggest complaint he gets when speaking with the homeless, it's not the weather, the Police harassment or any of these things even though they deal with it constantly and he knows it's the City's position that it did not have the Wheeler Transit Center Homeless Camp moved and he knows that the City said it was TxDot and that it was planned previously but he also had hung out with the people there which is also known as a kush corner and he knows that the City had dealt with it before and as the kush corner and being a major light rail station was going to be an eye sore for people that were going to be here in town for the Super Bowl and he just does not understand because it has been a known problem for a long time and now that it was going to become an eyesore with people with money they come in and move them 2 blocks away to an underpass and he knows that there is

a lot of things they can do as a City to address this problem and that Members of Council had done a really good job at several points at finding and allocating resources to fight this problem but he thinks they are at the point was the problem attitude because they are not looking at them as human beings and the fact that Council Member about the red tape involved in feeding these people and they are talking about people and they are talking about lawyers and their bickering about people from eating and he thinks that it is something that everyone should address very seriously because this was not a problem that they can deal with red tape and he not sure that Members of Council are not realizing how much the political climate has changed this year but people are tired of this, they see above the Council the signs that says "justice and people are the City" and the people indeed are and they have the power and he fears that people are not recognizing the changing climate here in America and specifically here in Houston and the people who he is referring to as not caring for them or not being human beings are people that are not acceptable, red tape or lawyers. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Green and Edwards absent.

Mayor Tuner stated that no one here at City Hall is treating people in an inhumane fashion, no one is doing that and no one had moved anybody because of the Super Bowl because it is one thing to be an activist because he himself had been one for a long time but do not come and make an accusations that is not true.

Ms. Pamela Burch, 7734 Caddo Rd., 77016, (713)677-0436 appeared and stated that she was present because she heard that there was a TARPS Program that was being implemented for people like her and say that they were going to look at the houses that had tarp on them and know that all the roofs, that needs them because her house has a tarp on it but everything is leaking in almost all of her rooms and she is here to find out on how she can become a part of that program and maybe get some help to get the house fixed and if she could afford to fix it herself she would not be here and the other thing she wanted to speak about is that her community that she lives have no sidewalks which that means they have no bus service out there that can come though and help the people and she is referring to the younger people to have access to get to a bus to get to a rail to get a job and to get out of the community and try to become productive because everyone does not have a car, they have no major store that they can get to but she would like to speak with her representative who she just found out it was Council Member Davis and she would like for someone to tell her how to get in touch with him. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent.

Mayor Turner stated that was a program that refers to the blue tarps on houses during the times during hurricane IKE that was in 2008 and unless she made a claim during the hurricane IKE time she would not be on the list but he still would suggest for her to speak with someone in Housing Development Department because she may qualify with some assistance and for her to also speak with the Mayor's Citizens Assistance to also give her information to get a contact her Council Member.

Mr. Cedric Lilly, 5107 Madden Ln., 77048, (713)854-1350 appeared and stated that he wanted to see how he can doing an amendment to rewrite the ordinance for the illegal dumping or also called illegal storage to pertain to home owners or landlords that rent properties and these tenants come in and they store stuff on their properties like leave out cars, trash, debris and it falls on the homeowners to get this cleaned up for a period of time and changed that would give them if they do not clean up in time, they get fined for it and when they give them an ordinance and tell them that the grass cannot grow over 12 inches and the cars cannot sit in the yard and the inspection stick is not on them and they go and speak to these people which they have an attitude to them like they pay rent and they can do what they want to do, he thinks that they can

rewrite this ordinance in some kind of a way to let these people be responsible for their actions and the owners do not have to take the full responsibility and that is why a lot of these landowners are leaving these properties and the properties are not being attended and it get trashed out and it is making their neighborhood look bad, so he is here to see if he can work with someone about amending something to that ordinance or they can rewrite the ordinance and also get a copy of it so he can look it over if that is possible. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos, Green and Edwards absent.

Mayor Turner stated that it is illegal to engage in illegal dumping and the fine that it can be up to \$4,000.00 and if he knows someone that is illegally dumping and when it comes to the ordinances, he can speak with the Mayor's Citizens Assistance for more information.

Ms. Edith Diaz, 2423 Moreau St., 77093, (832)665-3849 appeared and stated that she is coming to put in a complaint in about her community and her community is terrible there are too many drug dealers, prostitutes and they are always on the streets and people do not like to work and the drug dealers like to do that because it is easy money, she needs support, she needs more control because people are not in control, its Aldine-Westfield, Little York there are too many prostitutes and cars to pick them up and on her street on Moreau there is one mini store there that is all day prostitution and some drug dealers, they need more patrols and she been asking people for more patrol in her area but they recommended her to come here to speak to Members of Council. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos, Green and Edwards absent.

Mayor Turner questioned Ms. Diaz.

Mr. Jorge Vasquez, 2423 Moreau St., 77093, (832)665-3849 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos, Green and Edwards absent.

Ms. Kesha Rogers, no address, (713)541-2907 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos, Green and Edwards absent.

Mr. Joseph Jennings, 8512 Ariel St., 77074, (832)643-5160 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated that on behalf of the Schiller Institute, he is inviting everyone to an unique forum on creating a bright economic future that is occurring on Thursday evening at the Mickey Leland-Barbara Jordan School for Public Affairs at Texas Southern University and if they take a look at the map that Members of Council just received and each one of those small dots represents a development loan issued by Chinese and affiliated credit institution, financing real projects to lift up populations and improve peoples' lives, these loans are for dams, for desalination plants, for ports and railroads, for airports and hospitals and since the last time he was present China and 5 Central African nations have announced plans for a new manmade river to bring some of the Congo and Niger River waters northward to replenish Lake Chad to change that area of scarcity, misery and terrorist recruitment into an abundant food production and now, one of his associates have written a book that is a best seller and the book is on tripling the ship-borne commerce between the Indian and Pacific Oceans through constructing a canal across the Isthmus of Kra, relieving the shipping chokepoints at the Malacca Straits near Singapore which he marked those in red; what else had happened is that we have a new President and new Congress and seen a lot of protests against them and we do not know how the new Government will respond to these Eurasian developments and they have seen the Dow Jones Index sail past 20,000 mark but if they look around at the levels of unemployment, suicide and drug addiction there is a real disconnect between what is pleasing to the market and what will actually enrich people's lives

and build their future and the Schiller Institutes contends that the United States should embrace and participate in the new paradigm of development then rather seeing it as a threat. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen is presiding.

Council Member Laster questioned Mr. Jennings.

Mr. R.J. Bobby Taylor, P.O. Box 202021, 77220, (832)870-7673 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen is presiding.

Ms. Carmen Roman, 6919 Bellaire Blvd., 77074, (832)275-8460 appeared and stated that she was actually here to thank Council Member Laster for giving them their accomplishments and their speed limits in their schools zones and she is also present to speak about the hit and runs in Houston and not only on hit and runs but also people that just get hit on an everyday bases by a car, we as a City and City Council Members reunite and be a group together with the citizens, she wants to get together as a community to try and fight against hit and runs to stop it and to have more patrols out there during the day and night time because this happens day and night, about a month ago her mother saw a child get run over with the mother on the stroller and this hurts her because we are the people, like the other guy said earlier that Council has the power for the communities to be better and to put the low income people to be safe because the people that are getting hit and killed are the low income people and she really wants them to get together and stop this because its families, people with children which she is mainly worried about the children because these children are walking on the streets and cars do not look, cars do not care, they do not stop and they keep driving and she as idea on maybe making a commercial for us to alert people so that they can just watch out for people and their children, she does not have a car herself, she walks everywhere and she knows that most of the Houston community walks and again she wanted to see if they can get together to put a stop or just try to reduce the amount of hits and runs and people getting killed because of this and that their lives and their children lives are in the Council Members hands. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos, Green and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen stated that she was very articulate and she did a great job but the future is in her hands but they do have the ability and authority today to get things done today and they do have laws about hit and runs, they certainly try to have the Police Officers out there issuing tickets and doing what they can but her suggestions are very interesting.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Roman.

Mr. Blas Rodriguez, 1202 Fennell St., 77012, (281)865-5089 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos, Green and Edwards absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Theresa Cavin, 2515 Ideal St., 77009, (713)494-4163 appeared and stated that she is a resident of the near Northside for 34 years, she lives in the same exact house that she grew up in, the street that they live on is called Ideal Street and there are many families that have lived in their homes since the 1930s, her neighborhood is quiet, tightknit and they care about one another, in 2015 she heard about a new indoor music venue was going to be built about 325 feet away from her home, across the bayou, she thought that this would be a good thing and now fast forward to April of 2016 when she heard that there would be an outdoor music concert for 4,000 people, her son was diagnosed with severe to moderate autism back in 2011 which he is very noise sensitive and touch sensitive and has a very routine structure, when the first



outdoor concert took place on the lawn and during the first song, the sound was so loud and making their house shake, her son ran into his closet covering his ears and rocking back and forth, she felt helpless in her own home, she wrapped a towel around his head to try and muffle the sound and held him until the concert was over and from there she tried to prepare him for the next concert which they brought industrial ear plugs and even with the ear plugs he still ran and hid underneath his bed and when she knows there is a concert coming up she ask her ex-husband for him to take their son several times, she has to send her son away because there is a disruptive concert in her neighborhood, White Oak Music Hall had a show the day before the STAR Test and the first day of school and she thinks that a lot of kid lost some sleep those nights because she know that hers did and the Lawyer for the White Oak Music Hall said in court because her son was not normal the sensibilities that what he feels does not matter because he is not normal, she wants to protect her family, the White Oak Music Hall have indicated that they would like to have 40 to 509 lawn shows a year and those are nights that her family is going to suffer, her family and her neighborhood matters. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Cavin and Mayor Pro Tem advised her to speak with Ms. Laura Cunningham.

Ms. Linda Vargas, 111 Cosmos St., 77009, (832)693-0616 appeared and stated that she lives in the Glen Park subdivision, she lived in her home for her entire life, her family had lived there since 1916, Glen Park was once a peacefully neighborhood prior to White Oak Music Hall, she used to call it the neighborhood that time forgot not because of the architecture but because of the quiet, peaceful neighborhood because it was tucked away, when White Oak has an outdoor concert from the lawn or the patio the sound is so loud that it can be heard from inside their homes, the windows rattle and you can feel the vibration from the floor, it makes them feel that they live in a construction site, they all are negatively affected by the level of sound that comes from their outdoor shows, her daughter has a processing disorder and can make her have over simulated by sounds and the way things feel can make her have a mental down, her family gets up very early in the day, so they go to bed early every night, the night before the first day of school they had a lawn show and it kept them awake, she had to hold her girls heads next to her body, covering their ears from the loud music and as a parent she felt so helpless, she could not protect them in their own home and now imagine in Members of Council homes forcefully playing in their children bedrooms and then expect them to sleep with no restriction there could be over 100 shows in the combined stages per year and apparently they are trying to book as many show as they can, they heard 50 lawn shows alone in the next year and it's about to be many times worse for all of them around there and she is here today asking for their help because despite the developers claims in reaching out to them, they had not made an effort and she held pictures of her children and that was why she was here. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Vargas.

Mr. Manuel Romero, 105 Stratford, 77006, (281)642-8705 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Leah Romero, 105 Stratford St., 77006, (281)914-1527 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Margaret Torres, 306 Sunnyside St., No.842, 77076, (832)573-7334 appeared and stated that she had some great news she does not have a liver Tumor anymore, she is an advocate for the homeless, she also helps Veterans, she is not activist and some time she does get mad at City Council on defining her clients and today she comes asking for a joint effort and challenges everyone on City Council to join her effort and direct her in any direction she can go to help ex-felons to get accepted into housing or into apartment complexes, she struggles to get them vouchers and social security benefits and even jobs which now she has gotten to know a lot of the dealership and stores and now her felons are working there, they want to work and buy their own food and when they go to apply for an apartment and the felony information shows up they are denied and most of them have drug felonies and some of these people went to prison because of at least 3 joints and because these guys did not have money they went to prison and now have a felony record. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mr. Art Smith, 5315 Sonora St., 77020, (832)252-5776 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Patricia Mallard, 9726 Guest St., 77078, (713)631-7910 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mr. Douglas Myles, 8600 Sterlingshire, 77078, (281)745-6568 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mr. James Partsh-Galvan, 2705 Terry St., 77009, (713)528-2607 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

President Joseph Charles, Post Office Box 524373, 77052-4373, Houston, TX, appeared and requested more time and stated his subject was absolute Marshal Law, Salaries, Revoked, H/City, Texas/State, and Government Systems and continued to voice his personal experiences until his time expired. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Bridget Alexander McDaniel, 8114 St. Lo. Rd., 77033, (713)987-3854 appeared and stated that this is what happens with Metro Police, when Mayor White was Mayor, when Terrence Shaw, his background was form on her background and when Metro Police and HPD Police decided that they were stealing the 23 corvettes, the subject was supposed to be covered by the Mayor's Office and she spoke with the Secretary Office and they were going to get that straight. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mr. Shelton Modelist, 6103 Airport Blvd., 77048, (713)733-6994 appeared and stated that he was back again in dealing with his neighborhood issue about citation that they have received concerning tall grass and harassed by illegal aliens and the last time he was here he was told by Mayor Pro Tem to speak with Mayor's Citizens Assistance and he had tried to speak with them but cannot get a hold of anyone and no one has called him back at all and in one week they are going to be in the municipal Courts concerning about the tall grass citations that he had received. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Darlene Hosea-King, 6642 Hirondeau, 77087, (832)892-3278 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

**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 3:50 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 8, 2017, Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Gallegos and Green absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

At 8:30 a.m. Ms. Anna Russell, 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 8, 2017 Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Mike Laster, Robert Gallegos, Larry Green, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Mr. Ronald C. Lewis, City Attorney and Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present. Council Member Dave Martin out of the city on personal business.

At 9:15 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting into order. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Le and Gallegos absent.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to start off by thanking a lot of people on what had been taking place for the last 10 days in leading up to the Super Bowl, he certainly want to thank the Host Committee, Houston First, all the various Departments, the County, the Management District and HPD and the Officers who did an outstanding job on some very challenging circumstances, we were the only City that was hosting the Super Bowl and at the same time having to deal with people protesting throughout the City at the same time which HPD and the other Law Enforcement partners were having to handle all of that and he cannot think of another Police Force that could have handled it better, they took their job seriously and at the same time they enjoyed on what they were doing and that everyone in the City represented the City very well and even wanted to thank the protesters, who quite frankly, protested on what they believe and they did it in a very civil and peaceful fashion and the infrastructure that exist in the City of Houston from when the first Light Rail system was built under Mayor Brown, the additional steps that were taken by Mayor Bill White and the things that were done by Mayor Parker for getting things in place because the Host Committee started on her watch and he wanted to certainly acknowledge her contributions in getting the City to this point and he wanted to give a shout out to Mayor Parker for everything she did under her watch and wanted to thank all the Members of City Council for attending many of the events and being ambassadors for the City and he did not want to leave out the 10,000 volunteers who many of them took off from their jobs and all the vendors, the businesses and just Houstonians period and he thinks this was one time on a special event that Houstonians did not leave it, Houstonians embraced it; that he also spoke with Commissioner Goodwell, the next 4 Super Bowls had already been set and the next year the State of Minnesota will be hosting Super Bowl 52 and then after that they are going to Atlanta but they did have a conversation about returning in short order because the NFL was very impressed and of

course for them money is the bottom line with the NFL and they did quite well and to top it off the game was exceptional.

Mayor Turner stated now he wanted to turn to another subject and today he regrets to announce and that he had reluctantly accepted Director Joe Turner request to retire from his position as the Director of the Houston Parks and Recreation Department and invited him to the podium while he was going to speak about him, he will continue his current role through March 31<sup>st</sup> and they had a conversation during the holiday period which he came and told him about it and in fact he did not want to discuss it which he did not want to talk about it but handed him the letter and then they decided to hold onto the letter while he went to New Braunfels to be with his family and his wife because they have a home there because he still wanted to think about it and while in New Braunfels the Mayor received a text which he knew who won that battle, Director Joe Turner had served 3 Mayor's and the citizens of Houston for 13 years and leading the Department's mission to enhance the quality of Urban Life by providing safe and well maintained Parks and offering affordable programs for the Houston communities, with a limited budget, through countless partnerships he had successfully functioned at the Chief Steward of a Park System that includes 373 Developed Parks and more than 220 Green Spaces and totaling in 37,851 acres and he also led the way to protect and expand Houston Urban Forest and to insure the continuation of quality and recreation programs for all ages that included afterschool and summer programs for the children of Houston, Joe believes in making a difference in the lives of Houston citizens and he had instilled a culture of customer service, responsive Government and the preservation of the Park Land and Green Space for today's Park systems and for future generations; Director Turner from the start of his tenure in 2004, he had used his business experience to raise the bar for the Department, he has encourage and often pushed his team to a professional development and to be innovative in improving operations and his team all know his motto "just get it done".

Mayor Turner further stated additional accomplishments of the Department under his leadership and as the Mayor of this City he want to thank him on behalf of the citizens of Houston and this City Council for his passion, dedication and his hard work in making Houston a better place to live and work and play and on many, many occasions they have shared the same platform together and they have introduced each other as one another brothers that come from two separate mothers and it is a high degree of reluctances that he accepts his retirement but also know when seasons come and seasons go and often times the best times to step away when you are at the height of your game and when people still want you to stay and he thinks that is the greatest honor when he decides to leave on his own terms and people are still asking him to stay, the City of Houston is asking him to stay but his season has come and for that we are forever grateful.

Director Joe Turner stated that he had a couple of things would like he like to say like always, the first thing he would like to say is, which is when he did give Mayor Turner the letter that he was correct and he did not want to discuss it but he did not say when he looked at him half way into it and said "are you leaving me" and then he tore it in half and that is when he said "I will think about it", it has been a honor to work with Mayor Turner for many, many years not just here because a lot of people do not know how much they work together when Mayor Turner was a State Representative which more than likely he drove him nuts, to the citizens of this City there is nothing more important than a neighborhood park and in closing out, it's been a honor and joy to be entrusted with the responsibility to direct the Houston Parks and Recreation Department and to work with an outstanding group of dedicated employees.

Members of Council thanked Director Joe Turner for his years of service to the City of Houston.

At 10:02 a.m. Mayor Turner requested that the City Secretary to call the Consent Agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 6 through 21**

**MISCELLANEOUS** - NUMBERS 6 through 8

6. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for payment of Annual Fees for **WATER ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH FOUNDATION** for Subscription Year 2016-2017 - \$96,140.00 - Enterprise Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **MOTION 2017-0081 ADOPTED**
7. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of the 2017 Operations and Maintenance Budget for the **LAKE HOUSTON FACILITY PROJECT** operated by the Coastal Water Authority - \$2,738,112.00 - Enterprise Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **MOTION 2017-0082 ADOPTED**
8. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of the 2017 Operations and Maintenance Budget for the **TRINITY RIVER WATER CONVEYANCE PROJECT** operated by the Coastal Water Authority - \$20,355,892.00 - Enterprise Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **MOTION 2017-0083 ADOPTED**

**PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS** – NUMBERS 9 and 10

9. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$437,875.20 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund for Purchase of Modular Office Buildings for Department of Public Works & Engineering **DISTRICT B – DAVIS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0069 ADOPTED**
10. **RAMTECH BUILDING SYSTEMS, INC** for Two Modular Office Buildings through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with Houston Galveston Area Council for the Department of Public Works & Engineering - \$417,024.00 and contingencies for a total amount not to exceed \$437,875.20 - Enterprise Fund - **DISTRICT B - DAVIS**  
**This item should only be considered after passage of Item 9 above-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **MOTION 2017-0084 ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 12 through 21

- 12. ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of a 10-foot-wide sanitary sewer easement, located within Lots 6-11, Block 3, of the Columbus Addition, Lot 9, Block 2 of the Kenedy Addition, and Lot 7, Block 2 of the MacDonald Addition, a 5-foot-wide utility easement, located in Lot 6, Block 3, of the Columbus Addition, a 5-foot-wide utility easement, located in Lots 9 and 10, Block 3, of the Columbus Addition, a 5-foot-wide utility easement, located in Lots 6 and 7, Block 3, of the Columbus Addition, a 5-foot-wide utility easement located in Lot 7, Block 3, of the Columbus Addition, and a 5-foot-wide utility easement located in Lot 9, Block 3, of the Columbus Addition, all out of the Obedience Smith Survey, A-596, Houston, Harris County, Texas; vacating and abandoning said easements to Sunrise Montrose Apartments, LLC, the underlying fee owner, in consideration of its payment to the City of \$284,550.00, and other consideration - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0070 ADOPTED**
- 13. ORDINANCE** authorizing participation with other Entergy service area cities in matters concerning **ENTERGY TEXAS, INC** before the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission during 2017 - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0071 ADOPTED**
- 18. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,870,126.55 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, awarding contract to **GRAVA LLC** for Small and Large Diameter Waterline Valve Replacement Project; 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 and testing, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0072 ADOPTED**
- 19. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$865,000.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF, awarding contract to **ISI CONTRACTING INC** for Work Order Bridge Rehabilitation/Replacement Citywide 2017; 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, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0073 ADOPTED**
- 20. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$4,017,200.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF, awarding contract to **DURWOOD GREENE CONSTRUCTION CO.** for Citywide Overlay Package #23; 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, CIP Cost Recovery, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0074 ADOPTED**
- 21. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$2,426,481.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **T CONSTRUCTION, 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 and testing, and contingencies relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund (WW 4235-92)- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0075 ADOPTED**

### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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

1. **CONFIRMATION** of the appointment and reappointment of the following individuals to Positions 18 and 20 of the **HOUSTON CENTER FOR LITERACY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for the remainder of the three-year term that will end January 1, 2020:  
Position 18 - **JOHN C. GORCZYNSKI**, reappointment  
Position 20 - **AMITAV MISRA**, appointment-  
was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Travis absent. **MOTION 2017-0085 ADOPTED**
  
2. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EAST DOWNTOWN REINVESTMENT ZONE NO. 15**:  
Chairperson - **GORDON J. QUAN**, reappointment, for a term to expire 12/31/2017  
Position Two - **ALEX VASSILAKIDIS**, reappointment, for a term to expire 7/6/2018  
Position Three - **PETER H. BROWN**, appointment, for a term to expire 7/6/2019  
Position Four - **SERGIO J. SELVERA**, reappointment, for a term to expire 7/6/2018  
Position Six - **JOSEPH "ALAN" JOHNSTON, JR.**, appointment, for a term to expire 7/6/2018  
Position Seven - **FRANCES CASTAÑEDA DYESS**, reappointment, for a term to expire 7/6/2019-  
was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2017-0086 ADOPTED**
  
3. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment of **PRESTON MOORE** to Position Four of the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF HARRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 12**, for an unexpired term ending June 1, 2019- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2017-0087 ADOPTED**

4. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment of the following individuals to the **HOUSTON ARTS ALLIANCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Position Two - **TAMMY DOWE**, for a term to expire 6/30/2019

Position Four - **LLOYD GITE**, for an unexpired term ending 6/30/2017-

was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Laster, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2017-0088 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner invited the individuals appointed to the Houston Arts Alliance Board of Directors to the podium, Mayor Turner and Members of Council thanked them for serving.

5. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **HOUSTON ZOO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for terms to expire June 30, 2018:

Position One - **SUE DAVIS**, appointment, and to serve as Chair

Position Four - **BARBARA (BOBBI) SAMUELS**, reappointment

Position Eight - **E. WILLIAM BARNETT**, reappointment-

was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2017-0089 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner invited the individuals appointed to the Houston Zoo Development Corporation Board of Directors to podium, Mayor Turner and Members of Council thanked them for their service to serve.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Christie for a presentation and Council Member Christie stated that they spent the first 30 minutes complementing the Super Bowl but they wanted to spend the next 30 minutes complementing how awesome Ms. Sally Sergeant is; Council Member Christie and Mayor Turner presented a framed Front Page of the Houston Chronicle that stated Super Bowl XL "Best Ever".

Council Members complemented Ms. Sergeant for her leadership for the work on the Super Bowl.

11. **AMEND MOTION #2014-457, 5/28/14, previously amended by Motion #2012-790, 11/14/2012, TO INCLUDE** services to support various types of Hardware Equipment for Various Departments, awarded to **HP, INC** – was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **MOTION 2017-0090 ADOPTED**

14. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and the **HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT** for the administration of an After School Achievement School Program - \$80,000.00 - Grant Fund - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; D - BOYKINS; I - GALLEGOS and K – GREEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0076 ADOPTED**

15. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing grant application to the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOOD AND NUTRITION** for the Summer Food Service Program; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Director of the Houston Parks and Recreation Department to act as the City's representative in the application process, to accept and expend



the grant funds, as awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the grant - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; E - MARTIN; F - LE; H - CISNEROS; I - GALLEGOS; J - LASTER and K - GREEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0077 ADOPTED**

**16. ORDINANCE** establishing a certain area of the Denver Addition, within the City of Houston, as a special minimum lot size area pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas **DISTRICT H - CISNEROS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Boykins and Green absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0078 ADOPTED**

**17. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **WOOLPERT, INC** for Houston Permitting Center Web Portal and Content Management System for the Department of Public Works & Engineering; providing a maximum contract amount \$4,119,258.00 - Building Inspection Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **ORDINANCE 2017-0079 ADOPTED**

#### **NON CONSENT AGENDA** - NUMBER 22

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

**22. MOTION** to set a date not less than seven days from February 8, 2017, to receive nominations for Positions 11 and 13 of the **HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for a term that will end March 1, 2019 - was presented and Council Member Cohen moved to set February 14, 2017 and seconded by Council Member Christie to receive nominations, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **MOTION 2017-0091 ADOPTED**

#### **MATTERS HELD** - NUMBERS 23 through 25

**23. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **TETRA TECH, INC** for Disaster Cost Recovery and Consulting Services for the Finance Department; providing a maximum contract amount - Pre-positioned three-year contract with two one-year options \$5,000,000.00 - **DISTRICT K - GREEN** - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS LE and LASTER** This was Item 10 on Agenda of February 1, 2017- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2017-0080 ADOPTED**

**24. RECEIVE** nominations for Position 11 of the **HOUSTON MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES PENSION SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES**, for a three year term **DELAYED BY MOTION #2017-77, 2/1/17** This was Item 18 on Agenda of February 1, 2017- was presented, Council Member Green moved to delay Item 24 for 2 weeks and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2017-0093 ADOPTED**

**25. RECOMMENDATION** from Director of Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$2,471,925.47 and acceptance of work on contract with **TERRA RENEWAL WEST, LLC**, for Solids Removal from Wastewater Facilities **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; D - BOYKINS; F - LE and H - CISNEROS** - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GREEN**  
This was Item 22 on Agenda of February 1, 2017- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2017-0093 ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Kubosh for a point of personal privilege; Council Member Kubosh stated that his staff passed out a Black Heritage Visitors Guide and his staff had been working on this over a year which they printed up a number of them and he would like to see them in the Hotels and the Churches, they will be distributing as many as they can.

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 11:09 a.m. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Le, Travis, Gallegos, Laster, Knox and Kubosh absent.  
**DETAILED INFORMATION ON FILE ON THE OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY**

**MINUTES READ AND APPROVED**

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Anna Russell, City Secretary