

City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, September 11, 2018

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday September 11, 2018; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Martha Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Randy Zamora, Legal Department, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office present. Council Member Dwight Boykins absent on personal business. Council Member Dave Martin absent.

At 1:37 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and stated they would start with the presentations. Council Members Davis, Martin, Le, Laster, Castex-Tatum, Knox and Robinson absent.

Council Member Travis stated that Anheuser-Busch is an American brewing company and a proud member of the Houston community with a long-standing commitment to ensuring that its products are enjoyed responsibly and thousands of Anheuser-Busch employees across the country are supporting the use of designated drivers and promoting responsible alcohol consumption by leading a grassroots campaign that includes posting educational yard signs, canvassing bars and restaurants and partnering with local wholesalers and since 1982, Anheuser-Busch and its network of local wholesalers have invested more than one billion dollars to promote responsible drinking, the company also has programs to educate bartenders and servers about the importance of not serving people under the legal drinking age and to encourage people to use a designated driver and Anheuser-Busch is celebrating its 36<sup>th</sup> anniversary of promoting responsible drinking and is asking adults across the country to join its efforts by remembering to plan ahead for a safe ride home; and on September 14, 2018, Anheuser-Busch employees in the U.S., including Houston employees, will participate in Global Be(er) Responsible Day, encouraging the use of designated drivers and the City of Houston commends Anheuser-Busch for its commitment to alcohol responsibility in our communities and extends best wishes for a rewarding observance and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed September 14, 2018, as Global Be(er) Responsible Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig, Le, Castex-Tatum and Knox absent.

Council Member Gallegos along with Council Member Cisneros stated that the City of Houston originated in the East End at the intersection of Brays and Buffalo Bayou. That area was settled by John Harris in 1826 and is known today as Old Harrisburg, the East End is the proud home of the Port of Houston, the nation's foremost port for foreign commerce and one of the largest ports in the world and the Houston East End Chamber of Commerce (HEECC) was founded in 1991 and is the premier business and community support organization for promoting and sustaining business expansion, investment and economic development in the East End and the priorities of the East End vision plan are education, economic development, parks, neighborhoods and infrastructure and on September 11, 2018, the HEECC will be recognized for their tireless devotion to the East End community and the City of Houston commends the Houston East End Chamber of Commerce for its commitment to improving the quality of life for the East End and extends best wishes for continued success and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed September 11, 2018, as Houston East End Chamber of Commerce Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Stardig, Le and Knox absent.

Council Member Gallegos stated that in 1969, Judge Armando V. Rodriguez founded the Fiestas Patrias organization in an effort to create better understanding between all people for the progress of the Hispanic communities and their cultures, promote education and instill community pride

and Fiestas Patrias was established with two main events, the Distinguished Hispanic Award and the Fiestas Patrias Parade, the organization took the initiative of being the first to recognize and thank Hispanics for their personal initiatives and sacrifices for the benefit of the Hispanic community and to highlight them as role models for the youth and in 1969, the committee elected Judge Armando V. Rodriguez to be the first recipient of Distinguished Hispanic Award, this recognition has created a yearly tradition that has become the most coveted award in Houston and the Fiestas Patrias Parade has grown from the 30 units in the first parade to an international parade carried live by English television and Spanish television and it includes wide participation of community and business organizations, educational communities in Houston and surrounding towns and It also has the local participation of the Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and Nicaragua communities and on September 15, 2018, the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Fiestas Patrias Parade will take place in Downtown Houston and the City of Houston commends and appreciates all those involved in this worthwhile endeavor and extends best wishes to all for a successful event and therefore Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed September 15, 2018, as Fiestas Patrias Day in Houston, Texas. Council Members Le and Knox absent.

Council Member Christie stated that Theatre Under The Stars (TUTS) was established in 1968 by Frank M. Young and since its inception has distinguished itself locally and nationally as one of the leading producers and presenters of musical theatre in the country and TUTS is dedicated to enriching lives through the power of musical theatre and positively impacting individuals beyond the stage through innovative education and community outreach initiatives such as the Humphreys School of Musical Theatre, the River Performing and Visual Arts Center and the Tommy Tune Awards and with core values of equity, diversity and inclusion, TUTS is committed to cultivating and employing Houston's professional performing artists, and providing opportunities for its students and members of the community to participate in the creation of its theatrical productions, fostering a deeper connection to the unifying power of the performing arts in our city and TUTS will continue to offer free professional musical theatre to all Houstonians every summer at Miller Outdoor Theatre, a tradition that began 50 years ago and on September 15, 2018, TUTS will celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary season by continuing to cultivate new audiences and develop future artists by presenting new, groundbreaking productions of timeless classics. The City of Houston commends Theatre Under The Stars for its commitment to enhancing the quality of life of all Houstonians through the art of musical theatre and extends its best wishes for a successful and joyous anniversary and therefore, Mayor Turner hereby proclaimed September 15, 2018, as Theatre Under The Stars Day in Houston, Texas.

Mayor Turner stated before he have the City Secretary Call the Roll he wanted them to pause for minute to remember 9/11, on this day in 2001, today marks the 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the attacks of the Twin Towers and the Pentagon that changed the life for everyone in America and the whole World and it is the day to reflect extraordinary bravery of all the First Responders and the unimaginable grief of the victims' families, the fragility of our own Democracy and the miracle of like itself but in the midst catastrophe there is good all around us and we saw that demonstrated on 9/11 and we have seen it demonstrated since, they saw that just last year when Houstonians were tested by Hurricane Harvey and responded with bravery, compassion, determinations and dignity, there are hero wherever we turn and there is heroism in each and one of us and 9/11/2001 happened and America is still standing but more than that we are standing stronger than ever before and in large part even though we are tested as a Country, we still stand and rise together and may the God known by many names bless Houston, bless America and God Bless the U.S.A. and just pause for a moment of silence and reflect on the lives that were lost, the families that were impacted and a Country that was deeply moved and a world that responded.

At 2:18 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Robinson for the Invocation and Pledge and he invited Reverend David Michael Goldberg for the Invocation and Council Member Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

At 2:23 p.m. The Roll was Called. Council Member Dwight Boykins absent on personal business. Council Member Dave Martin absent.

Council Member Laster moved to delay the Minutes and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Mayor Turner stated before they go to the Speakers List he wanted to remind the Council Members that they are taking pictures tomorrow morning at 8:50 a.m.

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

Michael Battey, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that Climate Action Plan provides good ways to deal with the eminent threat but a key solution has been left out, reducing their use of animals products, the production and consumption of these products contribute to climate and water pollution, health problems and animal cruelty, the U.N. says that animal agriculture accounts for about a 5<sup>th</sup> of Greenhouse Gas emission worldwide comparable to entire transportation sector according to the U.S DEA about 41% if contiguous U.S. land is used for grazing cattle or for growing livestock feed and that is 41% by comparison only 4% of their land is needed to grow a much greater weight of plant food and by lowering meat and dairy consumption they can repurpose a vast area of land for reforestation, recreation and wildlife and animal agriculture is the largest polluter of American rivers and lakes and many rivers have high bacterial loads from cattle manure and factory farms fertilizer run off from feed crops have added excessive nutrients to the lower Mississippi river and the consumption of meat and dairy is a major cause of obesity and heart disease and other conditions, doctors help cover up unhealthy symptoms without trying to test them the healthier way of living but this is beginning to change because of health organizations around the world are starting to prescribe plant base diet, exercise and stress reeducation to improve health outcomes without drugs or surgery.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Battey.

Charlie Davis, no address, (979)505-0052 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Nia Colbert, 9520 Wilcrest Dr., 77099, (346)570-2863 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called.

Michael Ford, 8014 Deckley St., 77088, (832)888-8986 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Jennie Cordova, no address, (832)462-3347 appeared and stated that she is coming to them not only as a homeowner in 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward but also a mother of 3 children, when she purchased and she took advantage of a programs which is the down payment assistance program for low income families and she purchased through Mayberry homes in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward area knowing that this was a good investment for not only her and a way to credit wealth for her children, something to leave them, never when she purchased her home did she didn't envision that a gas station and 2 fast food joints would be purchased directly across the street from her and when she walks out of the door in a few months that is what she will see, a gas station, her children will be walking to their bus stop in front or behind a gas station and she heard them talking about healthy food and the

fast food restaurants are not going to be healthy, she knew what she was buying into, she wanted to help revitalize the area and she knew that it still not safe to be outside and if they want to go out and walk they get in their car to go somewhere to walk and she gets that and she will not feel safe if that gas station and the fast food place is built, there is already high traffic on her block, there is prostitutions, open drug deals and this is nothing that she wants to deal with and she coming here to imploring them to do whatever it is possible, she is not happy. Council Member Davis absent.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Cordova at length.

Alanna Hightower, 12738 Chiswick Rd., 77047, (832)997-6755 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Member Davis absent.

Juan Sorto, 8608 Kellett, 77028, (832)541-1280 appeared and stated that he is the Vice Chair of the Super Neighborhood Alliance and a community member of the Northeast Houston which encompasses the areas of 5<sup>th</sup> Ward, Kashmere/ Houston/ Trinity Gardens, Pleasentville, East Houston, Settegast and Homestead and Little York, this past Saturday with the Office of New Americans and Immigrants Communities a branch under the Department of Super Neighborhoods, as well as over 60 Non-Profit, volunteers and most of the Super Neighborhoods and Civic Club from around the Northeast Houston came together to host the Northeast Houston Community Fair at Hillard Elementary, which flooded during Hurricane Harvey and the event was 7 months of strategic planning thanks to the guidance's Super Neighborhood Alliance, Tomaro Bell, and the strong leaderships of Director Takasha Francis, Terrence O Neille and Raschellen Honoree, not only did the Office of New Americans and Immigrant Communities worked collectively since March to organize this event but the office was instrumental on bringing much needed awareness to an area that has been traditionally ignored by economic development, proper education, health and lack of transportation long before Hurricane Harvey and he also want to thank Metro, its Board and Deputy CEO Thomas Jasien who graciously donated a shuttle for the event and the event not only provided assistance to over 1000 residents but brought back a sense of hope into these communities and hope that help is on the way and a sense of understanding that the people sitting around this horseshoe are doing everything in their powers to make sure these communities seen better days are ahead and he would also like to advocate that the City of Houston please continue funding the Office of New Americans and Immigrant Communities and he understand that the branch was created under a 1 year contract and however the work that this branch did on the last 7 months shows the value that they represent to the City of Houston and their communities and he wanted to thank the Mayor and Council Members all that they do.

Council Member Davis thanked Mr. Sorto for coming out today, thanked him for the work that he has been doing in the Northeast area, it was a well-attended event and he wanted to thank Bread of Life for teaming up with the organizations supplying massive amounts of goods for the people in the Northeast area, the gym was packed with people taking information, people giving information on how to make themselves whole, steps in making themselves whole before Harvey and then from Harvey and he stated to the Mayor and the rest of Council how impacted it was and without the City support they would not have half of the amount of people there, from Health and Human Service to Solid Waste, Departments like those and they are making a difference in this community and those people lives and to thank the Mayor again under his leadership for allowing them to get out and to be part of this event.

Members of Council thanked Mr. Sorto for his work.

Tamara Harris, no address, (832)362-7485 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called.

Charles GoForth, 5039 Grape St., 77096, (713)667-6234 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Mayor Turner wanted to acknowledge that there is a group of Boy Scout Troop that is getting their Citizenship Badge and it is Caleb Everette and Seth Everette and they are with Troop 1323 and he wanted to acknowledge them for their outstanding citizenship and the recognition that they are receiving and especially on this day as we reflect and remember 9/11 and he is proud of both of the boys.

James Jones, 7223 Sandra St., 77028, (832)513-0634 appeared and stated that he represents the kids and the dog in the world and he has a better solution for cleaning Houston and he wanted to start off in his community on the Northeast side of Trinity Garden and getting the community to clean up the community and getting the kids to learn how to recycle in the community because when they have people from the outside come in their community cleaning up and then you have people crying, people who steal and he would like to take the City properties that way they and have the community clean the properties and that way the people that are living in the community that is not cutting their properties and what the community will do which is to put a lien on the property and they can take care of the property because the key is that it is our future, like the railroad that is coming into Trinity Garden and make them put cameras where they are dumping all this stuff and make them clean the bushes and stuff, he want his community to be cleaned up like all the surrounding communities and he also has a good flood plan, he wants to make flood tanks and he designed flood tanks that they can put on the City's properties and he has a good idea and plan to get all this started. Council Members Le and Travis absent.

Council Member Davis told Mr. Jones that he had great ideas and they are actually implementing some of those ideas and they have had some communications with the railroad system and their right of ways and asked them to go out and clean and they have started with the Mow Down Program and abandoned lots for people who are not not taking care of those lots and within the system of the Department of Neighborhoods and they are actually working with the Non-Profits in those areas to go down and cut those lots.

Mayor Turner stated he wanted to acknowledge Kathleen Ownby, this afternoon and invited her and the Auditors to the podium to be introduced because we always want to be nice to them and he also appreciated everyone that is working with the Spark Parks and the contributions that have been made to the entire City of Houston.

Kathleen Ownby introduced Jordan and Travis from CRI, they have an annual audit because they are a Non-Profit and it started last week, and she asked them if they wanted to see Council in person and they stated they are present.

Mayor Turner just wanted to say they know of no outstanding claims or issues in regard to the Non-Profit Organization and thanked them for coming to the City. Council Members Le and Travis 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 3:09 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 12, 2018, Council Members Le and Travis absent.

At 8:28 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, September 12, 2018 Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Marta Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Ronald Lewis, City Attorney, Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega, Agenda Office present.

At 9:10 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and will go to the Mayor's Report. Council Members Davis, Cohen, Martin, Gallegos, Laster, Kubosh and Edwards absent.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Turner stated that yesterday was September 11 and it was a day of remembrance and we want to continue to remember it and all the families that were impacted, the lives that were lost and we want to keep in mind the Coastal areas, the East Coast because they are getting ready to confront Hurricane Florence and that is significant storm and we want to keep them in mind and after it lands we want to step up and be supportive of them as people were supportive to us, he also wants to put up a cautionary note for all of us along the Texas coast and hopefully that system will not fully develop and this is an opportunity to remind people that it is still Hurricane season and it is always be better to be prepared and he had been talking to Council Member Robinson about this is the 10<sup>th</sup> year Anniversary for Hurricane Ike and it is tomorrow and these storms are coming more frequently and intense and they need to everything they can to mitigate the risk.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Robinson, Council Member Robinson stated that the Mayor is right and considering yesterday of 9/11, it is interesting to note that tomorrow is the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Hurricane Ike and then they just celebrated the first anniversary of Harvey and with that he brought with him to Council and distributed is a cards that Council Member Martin and himself brought with a delegation from their first trip this past fall to Washington D.C. to advocate for Federal Assistance and the cards have details.

Mayor Turner further stated that he also mentioned dredging and he wanted to point out what they can do in the short term to add more capacity is dredging, dredging the Buffalo Bayou because they have lost some capacity from everything coming down, dredging Addick's and Barkers Dam along with continuation of San Jacinto and Lake Houston that is important, they have lost capacity over the years and they have to regain that capacity and they can do that at a much quicker pace than they can so some of these other projects and dredging all are very important component in adding capacity especially when they are getting the rain fall and it continues to come because weather is unpredictable but let's not lose sight that last year that we were facing Hurricane Harvey and now on the East Coast they are facing Florence and at the same time they have a system in the Gulf and all of these things are happening at the same time and that we are still in Hurricane Season, he does not want people to become complacent because things can change quickly and encourage people to stay prepared.

Members of Council commented and questioned Mayor Turner about the State and the Federal Money.

Mayor Turner stated on the second topic the series of Town Home Meetings that they are holding in regards to Prop A and Prop B, the first 2 meetings have gone well and questions that have been asked and these have been very productive and positive and he wants to thank Council Member Cohen who they started off in District C and this week they were Council Member Cisneros District H and there was a number of people in District H that were there and asked a lot of good questions and he wanted to also thank the At-Large Council Members that have showed up, the next meeting will take place a week from today and they will be in Council Member Laster District J and this meeting will start at 6:30 a.m. at the Sharp's Town Community Center.

Mayor Turner further stated that Proposition A deals with Rebuild Houston and again what they been indicating in the meetings is that this is not adding a fee, this is not eliminating a fee, this is placing a lock box around the Revenue generated and will be generated in the future and making no other changes to Rebuild Houston, no changes on who is being assessed so in Proposition A the voters are being asked to put a lock box around the Revenue and has been collected and been collected in the future and to vote no they will leave it as an undedicated source of funding that could be used by anybody else and he thinks this is the best interest in for the City.

Mayor Turner further stated that Proposition B which deals with the Firefighters Union Petition that was brought to the City and that was obligated to put on the Ballet, the Firefighters Union Petition would mandate the City in the first year to provide a pay raise to the 4,000 Firefighters of a minimum of 25%, costing at the minimum of \$98 million dollars, \$295 million dollars over the next 3 years and he wanted to be very clear again which he has been saying it over and over again, this Administration have offered the Firefighters a 9.5% pay raise for over 3 years and over the 3 years the cost of that is \$69 million dollars over 3 years vs what Proposition B mandates a minimum pay raise of 23% and over 3 years costing over \$295 million dollars and what he will simply say to the Council, to the people of the City of Houston that is something that the City of Houston cannot afford, there will be massive reductions, massive structural changes and some people are questioning whether or not this is a scare tactic and he wanted to be very clear to the Council and to the People of the City of Houston, time will tell but he is not faking but he wanted People of the City of Houston to understand that if Proposition B should pass 100s of Firefighters will be layoff and there will be a number reductions in services in the City, there will be no way that they will be able to balance their budget if this Proposition passes without being massive reductions and he will start in the Fire Department first and then it will flow to other Departments, there is no way to get around it and this is not tic for tac with the Fire Department, he loves the Fire Department, he respects them dearly and this is an issue about their ability to pay, that is the only issue and those are the 2 Proposition and that is what they are discussing throughout the City, he thinks that they have 10 more Town Home Meetings throughout the City also visiting with various Civic Clubs, Associations and Churches a lot of time to talk from here to Election time.

Members of Council commented and questioned the Mayor about Proposition A and Proposition B.

**CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 34**

**MISCELLANEOUS** - NUMBER 1

1. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for unpaid leave of absence for **PEGGY JACKSON, Utility Worker**, beginning January 8, 2018 until June 25, 2018- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Christie all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis, Travis and Knox absent. **MOTION 2018-0461 ADOPTED**

**ACCEPT WORK** - NUMBERS 2 through 8

2. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$7,215,227.51 and acceptance of work on contract with **CAAN CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC** for Willow Waterhole Drainage and Paving - 4.58% over the original contract amount and under 5% contingency amount - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0462 ADOPTED**
4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$11,665,319.75 and acceptance of work on contract with **REYTEC CONSTRUCTION RESOURCES, INC** for Buffalo Speedway Paving and Drainage: Holmes Road to West Airport Blvd. - 5.87% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT K - CASTEX-TATUM-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0463 ADOPTED**
5. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$18,463,674.84 and acceptance of work on contract with **SER CONSTRUCTION PARTNERS, LLC** for Martin Luther King Boulevard Reconstruction from IH610 S to Belfort Street - 0.47% over the original contract amount and under 5% contingency amount - **DISTRICT D – BOYKINS-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0464 ADOPTED**
6. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$13,034,104.74 and acceptance of work on contract with **HUFF & MITCHELL, INC** for Sanitary Sewer Force Main Renewal and Replacement-Eppes, Frawley & Bintliff Forcemains - 1.46% over the original contract amount and under 5% contingency amount - **DISTRICTS F - LE; H - CISNEROS and I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, moved by Council

Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none.  
**MOTION 2018-0465 ADOPTED**

7. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$2,122,269.80 and acceptance of work on contract with **SCOHIL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, LLC** for Water Line Replacement in Hughes Road Area - Package 1 - 6.18% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT D - BOYKINS** - was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none.  
**MOTION 2018-0466 ADOPTED**

8. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$2,630,820.11 and acceptance of work on contract with **REYTEC CONSTRUCTION RESOURCES, INC** for Waterline Valve Replacement Project - 3.93% under the original contract amount (WA 11181)- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0467 ADOPTED**

**PROPERTY** - NUMBERS 9 and 10

9. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of Clara Road, a/k/a Clara Street, from its northern terminus south  $\pm$  1448 feet, Unnamed Road South, from Clara Road, a/k/a Clara Street, west to its terminus, and Crawford Road, a/k/a Crawford Street, from the northern property line of Lot 7, Block 4, south  $\pm$  217 feet, located in the Clara Heights Subdivision and Independence Gardens Addition, and being out of the W.C.R.R. Co. Survey, Abstract No. 1185, Harris County, Texas; abandoning such streets to **USA WASTE OF TEXAS LANDFILLS, INC**, the abutting owner, in consideration of its payment to the City of \$188,632.00, conveyance to the City of three right of way easements for construction of cul-de-sacs at the termini of Clara Road, a/k/a Clara Street, and Crawford Road, a/k/a Crawford Street, also located within the Independence Gardens Addition, and other good and valuable consideration - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0715 ADOPTED**

10. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works, reviewed and approved by the Joint Referral Committee, on request from Phillip Reid Matthews, II, Golder Associates, on behalf of USA Waste of Texas Landfills, Inc, (James A. Wilson, Vice President), declining the acceptance of, rejecting, and refusing the dedication of Unnamed Road North, from Clara Road west to its terminus, located within Clara Heights Addition and Independence Gardens Addition, out of the Washington County Railroad Company Survey, A-1185, Parcel SY17-057 - **DISTRICT A – STARDIG-**

**This item should only be considered after passage of Item 9 above-** was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0468 ADOPTED**

**PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS** - NUMBERS 12 through 17

12. **KNAPP CHEVROLET, INC** for Ambulance Cabs & Chassis Mounted with Modular Bodies through the Houston-Galveston Area Council for Fleet Management Department on behalf of

the Houston Fire Department - \$2,613,400.00 - General and Other Funds- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0469 ADOPTED**

**14. CALDWELL COUNTY FORD** - \$6,979,760.00, **CHASTANG ENTERPRISES, INC dba CHASTANG FORD** - \$735,492.00 and **CALDWELL COUNTRY CHEVROLET** - \$2,612,004.00 for Police Patrol Vehicles through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Houston-Galveston Area Council and the Texas Local Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) for the Fleet Management Department on behalf of Houston Police Department- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0470 ADOPTED**

**15. ORASURE TECHNOLOGIES, INC** for Rapid Diagnostic HIV Test Kits for Houston Health Department - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$1,000,050.00 - Grant Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0471 ADOPTED**

**17. DOGGETT HEAVY MACHINERY SERVICES, LLC** - \$398,517.00 and **BRIGGS EQUIPMENT, INC** - \$1,055,512.96 for Forklifts and Manlifts through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) and the Houston-Galveston Area Council for Various Departments - Enterprise and Other Funds- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0472 ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 24 through 33

**24. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$3,937,358.60 from the FY2019 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for the purchase of capital equipment for the Houston Fire Department- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0716 ADOPTED**

**25. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$585,000.00 from the FY19 Contributed Capital Project Fund and \$922,000.00 from the FY19 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for Planned Projects for various Houston Information Technology Services Projects- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0717 ADOPTED**

**28. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$59,546.86 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund to an Advance Funding Agreement between the City of Houston and the **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for the Voluntary Utility Relocation Contributions on State Highway Improvement Projects from FM 525 from Lee Road to US 59; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT B – DAVIS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0718 ADOPTED**

**29. ORDINANCE** de-appropriating \$14,538.50 out of Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF, appropriating \$14,538.50 out of Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF; approving and authorizing agreement to contribute right of way funds (fixed price) between

the City of Houston and **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** (Approved by Ordinance No. 2018-0088) for improvements to FM 525 from Lee Road to US 59; providing funding for construction of facilities financed by the Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF **DISTRICT B – DAVIS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0719 ADOPTED**

31. **ORDINANCE** authorizing the transfer of \$1,393,800.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund into the HPW-SETL Construction Fund, appropriating \$1,393,800.00 out of HPW-SETL Construction Fund; approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **GUNDA CORPORATION, LLC** for Highway 3 Distribution Water Line from Fuqua Street to Dixie Farm Road; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the HPW-SETL Construction Fund - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN-** the City Secretary advised that Item 31 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.
  
32. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$203,481.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation to Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **ARCADIS U.S., INC** for Pump and Lift Station Renewal and Replacement - Howard Drive, Easthaven, and Gulf Freeway #2 (as approved by Ordinance No. 2011-0717); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICTS E - MARTIN and I – GALLEGOS-** the City Secretary advised that Item 32 have not been received, if received during the course of the meeting it will be considered at the end of the Agenda.
  
33. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$50,494.63 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund as an additional appropriation to Construction Management and Inspection Services Contract between the City of Houston and **LLOYD, SMITHA & ASSOCIATES, LLC** for the 24-inch water line along West Bellfort from Buffalo Speedway to Stella Link (Approved by Ordinance No. 2015-0143) - **DISTRICT K - CASTEX-TATUM-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0720 ADOPTED**

#### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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

3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$2,217,468.19 and acceptance of work on contract with **JOHN REED AND COMPANY, LLC** for Bringhurst Pedestrian Bridge Over UPRR - 5.10% under the original contract amount **DISTRICT B – DAVIS-** was presented, moved by Council Member Davis and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0473 ADOPTED**

11. **JETS FIRE & SAFETY, INC dba DELTA INDUSTRIAL SERVICE & SUPPLY** - \$1,961,773.86 and **NEVADA PACIFIC, INC** - \$302,020.23 for Portable Construction Maintenance Equipment for Houston Fire Department - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$2,263,794.09 - General Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0474 ADOPTED**
  
13. **IEH AUTO PARTS LLC dba AUTO PLUS AUTO PARTS** for Automotive, Light, Medium and Heavy-Duty Aftermarket Replacement Parts for the Fleet Management Department - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$32,000,000.00 - Fleet Management Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0745 ADOPTED**
  
16. **MICROAUTOMATION, INC** for Aspect Voxeo Products and Professional Services for Houston Public Works - \$189,072.50 - Enterprise Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0746 ADOPTED**
  
18. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing submission of an application to the **TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE** to request funding for the Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery 2016 Flood Events (CDBG-DR16) in the amount of \$23,486,698.00 for a Housing Buyout Program; acceptance of the grant, if awarded- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0721 ADOPTED**
  
19. **ORDINANCE** closing out the Disaster Recovery Fund as created by Ordinance No. 2001-534 for the purpose of Relief to Tropical Storm Allison- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0722 ADOPTED**
  
20. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **GREATER GREENSPPOINT REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER ELEVEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (GREENSPPOINT ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Plan Budget for the Zone **DISTRICT B – DAVIS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0723 ADOPTED**
  
21. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **EAST DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FIFTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (EAST DOWNTOWN ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Projects Budget for the Zone **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0724 ADOPTED**
  
22. **ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **HARRISBURG REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-THREE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (HARRISBURG ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Plan Budget

for the Zone **DISTRICTS H - CISNEROS and I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0725 ADOPTED**

- 23. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City and **DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY** for Professional Services for insurance coverage and administration of the City of Houston Employee Basic Life Insurance and Voluntary Life Insurance Group Plans; providing a maximum contract amount - \$9,187,718.00 - Health Benefits Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0726 ADOPTED**
- 26. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between the City of Houston and **HARRIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION** for Case for Kids City Connections Program; providing a maximum contract amount - \$770,000.00 - Grant and Other Funds - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0727 ADOPTED**
- 27. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to contract approved by Ordinance No. 2013-0818 for Interpreter and Closed-Captioned Services for the Deaf and Hearing-Impaired between the City of Houston and **ANTONIO RICARDO LACSAMANA and KERRY LEE LACSAMANA dba NIGHTINGALE INTERPRETING SERVICES (Formerly known as NIGHTINGALE REHABILITATION, INC)-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0728 ADOPTED**
- 30. ORDINANCE** approving Purchase and Sale Agreement between **UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, Seller,** and the City of Houston, Texas, Purchaser, for acquisition of approximately 0.4426 acre of land located at the vicinity of Washington Avenue and Goliad Street [WBS No. D-200001-0001-2-01; Parcel No. QY16-002] for use by the Houston Public Works Department's Permitting Center Parking - \$533,000.00 - Building Inspection Fund - **DISTRICT H – CISNEROS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0729 ADOPTED**
- 34. ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,194,200.00 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF, awarding contract to **R. MIRANDA TRUCKING & CONSTRUCTION, LLC** for Gus Wortham Park Golf Course Area Sidewalk and Turning Lane Improvements; 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 Metro Projects Construction DDSRF - **DISTRICT I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0730 ADOPTED**

**NON CONSENT AGENDA** - NUMBERS 35 and 36

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- 35. RECEIVE** nominations for Positions 6 and 7 of the **HOUSTON LAND BANK** for terms to expire two years from appointment date- was presented,

Council Member Davis nominated Dr. Steve Hall for reappointment to Position 6 of the Houston Land Bank Boards of Directors.

Council Member Gallegos nominated Mr. John D. Vasquez for appointment to Position 7 of the Houston Land Bank Board of Directors.

There being no further Nominations, Council Member Cohen moved to close nominations for Position 6 and 7 of the Houston Land Bank and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0477 ADOPTED**

- 36. MOTION** to set a date not less than seven days from September 12, 2018, to receive nominations for Positions One, Two and Three on the **HOUSTON AREA LIBRARY AUTOMATED NETWORK (H.A.L.A.N.) ADVISORY BOARD** for two-year terms- was presented, Council Member Cohen moved to set September 19, 2018 to receive Nominations for Positions One, Two and Three on the Houston Area Library Automated Network Advisory Board and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nay none. **MOTION 2018-0478 ADOPTED**

**MATTERS HELD** - NUMBERS 37 and 38

- 37. ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the **OLD SIXTH WARD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER THIRTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (OLD SIXTH WARD ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Projects Budget for the Zone **DISTRICT H - CISNEROS**  
**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS KUBOSH AND STARDIG**  
This was Item 29 on Agenda of September 5, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
**ORDINANCE 2018-0731 ADOPTED**

- 38. ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 611.81 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 489**, for inclusion in its district  
**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STARDIG**  
This was Item 36 on Agenda of September 5, 2018- was presented, Council Member Stardig moved to delay Item 38 for 2 weeks and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0479 ADOPTED**

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE FOR AGENDA OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2018**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Houston at its regular meeting of Wednesday, September 12, 2018, which will convene at 9:00 a.m. in the City

Council Chamber, Second Floor, City Hall, 901 Bagby, Houston, Texas, will consider the following item:

- 39. ORDINANCE** relating to the Fiscal Affairs of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-SEVEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MONTROSE ZONE)**; approving the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget and the Fiscal Years 2019-2023 Capital Improvements Budget for the Montrose Zone - **DISTRICT C – COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none.  
**ORDINANCE 2018-0732 ADOPTED**

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 10:31 a.m. Council Members Davis, Martin, Le, Travis, Laster and Knox 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