

Pat J. Daniel, Assistant City Secretary read the description or captions of the Items on the Agenda.  
City Council Chamber, City Hall, Wednesday, November 14, 2018

The Houston City Council convened at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 14, 2018 Mayor Pro Tem Ellen Cohen presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Martha Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David Robinson and Amanda Edwards; and Ronald C. Lewis, City Attorney; Marta Crinejo Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present. Mayor Sylvester Turner, Council Members Jerry Davis, Michael Kubosh and Jack Christie D.C. out of the City on City Business.

At 9:10 a.m. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen called the meeting into order and recognized Council Member Gallegos for the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent.

The Roll was called. Mayor Sylvester Turner, Council Members Jerry Davis, Michael Kubosh and Jack Christie D.C. out of the City on City Business. Council Member Martin absent.

Council Member Castex-Tatum moved to adopt the Minutes of June 29-30, 2018 and delay the balance and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION ADOPTED**

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

No Mayor's Report.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen recognized Council Member Boykins for a point of Personal Privilege; Council Member Boykins stated he would like to recognize students from McGregor Elementary School and requested the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students to stand and they are coming from his District and they had a scheduled tour at the Houston Zoo and due to the cold weather, they decided to come to City Council and he wanted to personally thank the Chaperons that are here and that put all this together.

## **HEARINGS**

1. **PUBLIC HEARING** on proposals for the City of Houston to enter into separate amended and restated strategic partnership agreements with the below named districts in Harris and Fort Bend Counties on separate proposals by the City of Houston to annex for limited purposes certain territory within said districts; and on separate proposals by the City of Houston to annex for limited purposes certain territory in the vicinity of certain districts:
  1. Baybrook Municipal Utility District No. 1
  2. El Dorado Utility District
  3. Fort Bend Freshwater Supply District No. 1
  4. Harris-Fort Bend Counties Municipal Utility District No. 5
  5. Southern Montgomery County Municipal Utility District

Was presented, Assistant City Secretary advised that no one had signed up to speak for this Public Hearing and there will be Representatives from the Planning Department and Legal Department to speak.

Rupesh Koshy, with the Planning Department and Kim Mickelson with the Legal Department will presented a statement to The Mayor Pro Tem and Members of Council.

Council Member Edwards commented and expressed her concerns about the Public Hearing on proposals for the City of Houston to enter into separate amended and restated strategic partnership agreements with the above-named districts in Harris and Fort Bend Counties.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen asked if there was anyone else that have any questions or would like to speak on this particular Item, seeing none, she requested a Motion to close the Public Hearing.

Council Member Robinson moved to close the Public Hearing for the City of Houston to enter into separate amended and restated strategic partnership agreements with the above-named districts in Harris and Fort Bend Counties and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nay none. **MOTION 2018-0580 ADOPTED**

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen requested the Assistant City Secretary to call the Consent Agenda before they have to move to the Public Session.

### **CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 3 through 28**

#### **ACCEPT WORK** - NUMBERS 3 through 8

3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$898,979.75 and acceptance of work on contract with **NERIE CONSTRUCTION, LLC** for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal (Force Main) - 1.96% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount (4235-79) – was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0582 ADOPTED**
4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$2,860,111.51 and acceptance of work on contract with **PM CONSTRUCTION & REHAB, LLC** for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal - 4.79% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount (4235-62)- was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0583 ADOPTED**
7. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$1,800,159.27 and acceptance of work on contract with **NERIE CONSTRUCTION, LLC** for New Front Easement Reconnections - 0.24% under the original contract amount (WW5159-02) **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; E - MARTIN; F - LE; G - TRAVIS; H - CISNEROS and I – GALLEGOS-** was presented, moved

by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0583 ADOPTED**

8. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$1,893,924.51 and acceptance of work on contract with **NERIE CONSTRUCTION, LLC** for New Front Easement Reconnections - 0.82% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount (WW5159-03) - **DISTRICTS B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; H - CISNEROS and I - GALLEGOS**- was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0584 ADOPTED**

**PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS** - NUMBERS 12 and 13

12. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,700,928.83 out of Miscellaneous Capital Projects/Acquisitions CP Series E Fund and authorizing the expenditure of the appropriated funds for the purpose of issuing payments to **BONO CARE, LLC dba CORPORATE CARE** for Expenses Associated with Hurricane Harvey Disaster Relief for the City of Houston; declaring the City's intent to seek reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and other eligible sources for such expenditures - **DISTRICT I - GALLEGOS**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0895 ADOPTED**

13. **BONO CARE, LLC dba CORPORATE CARE** for approval of payment to address Emergency Disaster Recovery Activities as a result of Hurricane Harvey for Remediation and Cleanup of flooded water and sewage back-up at City Hall basement level and City Hall Annex parking garage levels P1 and P2 for General Services - \$1,700,928.83 - Miscellaneous Capital Projects/Acquisitions CP Series E Fund - **DISTRICT I - GALLEGOS**  
**This item should only be considered after passage of Item 12 above-** was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0585 ADOPTED**

**ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 16 through 28

16. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing fourth amendment to lease agreement between **BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**, as landlord, and the City of Houston, Texas, as tenant, for approximately 6,173 square feet of leased space at 8400 Long Point Road, Houston, Harris County, Texas, at a monthly rental of \$2,000.00, for the Spring Branch Storefront, Houston Police Department - 3 Years - \$72,000.00 - General Fund - **DISTRICT A - STARDIG**- was presented and the Assistant City Secretary advised that Item 16 had been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.

18. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to an agreement for Professional Services between the City and **the SOCIAL JUSTICE LEARNING INSTITUTE** for Houston's My Brother's Keeper Initiative Program – was presented and the Assistant City Secretary advised that Item 18 has not been received and if received before the end of the Agenda, it will be considered at the end of the Agenda.

19. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing second amendment to the agreement between the City of Houston and **TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC, Formerly DIGITAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT, INC**, for Software Product License and Software Support Services to extend the term of the agreement to March 1, 2019- was presented and the Assistant City Secretary advised that Item 19 has not been received and if received before the end of the Agenda, it will be considered at the end of the Agenda.
23. **ORDINANCE** establishing the south side of the **2000 block of University Boulevard**, within the City of Houston, Texas, as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0896 ADOPTED**
24. **ORDINANCE** establishing the south side of the **2200 block of University Boulevard**, within the City of Houston, Texas, as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT C – COHEN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0897 ADOPTED**
26. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$588,448.13 out of Street & Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF; approving and authorizing an agreement to contribute right of way funds (fixed price) between the City of Houston and **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for FM1960 from BF 1960A to east of Twigsworth Lane; providing funding for contingencies and CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Street and Traffic Control & Storm Drainage DDSRF - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0898 ADOPTED**
28. **ORDINANCE** granting to **STRIPE-A-ZONE, INC, a Texas Corporation**, the right, privilege, and franchise to collect, haul, and transport solid waste and industrial waste from commercial properties located within the City of Houston, Texas, pursuant to Chapter 39, Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas; providing for related terms and conditions - **FIRST READING-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2018-0899 PASS FIRST READING IN FULL**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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

2. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER ELEVEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (GREATER GREENSPPOINT ZONE) BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Position One - **JAMES O'NEAL DEAN**, appointment for a term to expire August 31, 2020;

Position Two- **CHARLES H. MOCK**, reappointment for a term to expire August 31, 2019;

Position Three- **ART MURILLO**, reappointment for a term to expire August 31, 2020;

Position Four- **JASON ROTH FULLER**, appointment for a term to expire August 31, 2019;

Position Five- **ERVIN H. BAUMEYER**, reappointment for a term to expire August 31, 2020;

Position Six- **MELODY DOUGLAS**, (Aldine ISD Representative), reappointment for a term to expire August 31, 2019;

Position Seven- **ELVIN FRANKLIN, JR.**, (Harris County Representative), reappointment for a term to expire August 31, 2020, and will serve as Chair for a term ending December 31, 2018;

Position Eight-**JENNIFER MOTT-OLENICK**, (Lone Star College Representative), appointment for a term to expire August 31, 2019;

Position Nine- **SETH L. SHARR**, (Spring ISD Representative), reappointment for a term to expire August 31, 2020.

Was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0586 ADOPTED**

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen stated that she would read the names of the individuals for Reinvestment Zone 11 and requested them to come to the podium to be recognized. Members of Council thanked them for their willingness to serve.

Tama Chunn, 9902 Warwana, 77080, (713)628-2115 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Samuel Smith, 8600 Sterlingshire, 77078, (346)801-4741 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Kathleen Ownby, 3928 Tennyson, 77005, (832)393-0911 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated that this is Spark Week and this time they are doing a Spark Week Plus because they have so many activities. Spark Park began last Friday in Pasadena ISD and yesterday they were honored at the Keep Houston Beautiful Awards Mayor's Breakfast at one of Council Member Gallegos schools. Last night, Council Member Laster and herself froze at YES Prep Gulfton and tomorrow they will be at Mission West Elementary in Fort Bend, on Friday they will be at Lockhart Elementary which have received \$90,000.00 CBDG Funds and they will be in Aldine ISD and then she lists the schools that they will be attending in December. One of the Elementary Schools are located in Acres Home in the complete communities which she is hoping that the Mayor will be attending and then Peterson and Briargate Elementary Schools are located in District K and they would be honoring one of their Board Member and Council Members friends Donald Perkins at Peterson Elementary. She reaches out to the District Council Members to make sure that they come to these events, but she also wanted to comment that Council Member Knox has stepped up and has come to 4 of their events and she certainly wanted to make sure all of the At-Large Council Members are welcomed to come to these events. She also saw on their Agenda that Houston Endowment is involved in a Grant for the Complete Communities and she wanted to remind them that these schools that they are working on is part desert effort, she wanted to thank all of them for their

support and she hopes to be back here very soon for them to vote to reimburse Sparks for those funds that they have used.

Members of Council thanked Ms. Ownby for everything that she has done and continues to do.

Latasha Smith, 24934 Lakecrest Glen Dr., Katy, TX, 77493, (281)509-3236 appeared and stated that on Halloween night, October 31<sup>st</sup>, that herself and her 2 daughters were on their way to go trick or treating at Katy's Mills Mall and when they were turning on their street, they were attacked by 3 men that were trick or treating with their kids. She flagged down someone across the street and he started to chant that she was speeding, she did pull her window down to see what the man wanted and he started screaming at her and before she knew it, there were three guys on her left side that came up to her window and beating on the window also screaming at her which the man pulled her door open and she looked at him and she thought he was going to hit her but he said to her, "that you are talking crap" and then he grab her out of the car and his friends were all laughing. She started screaming that she was going to call the Police and he grab her phone out of her hand and ran with it and then his friends started to tell him to leave her alone and her kids were screaming and crying. Those are the things that she wanted to present today and she wanted Members of Council to know what is going on in this City and if she can do anything to help, she would love to help.

Council Member Boykins asked Ms. Smith if she lives in Katy or Houston which she advised him that she lives in Katy and where did this take place at Houston or Katy which she also advised it was Katy. Council Member Boykins asked Ms. Smith why she is bringing it to Houston and she advised Council Member Boykins she just wanted to bring awareness and to speak out because she knows things have been going on. Council Member admired Ms. Smith for speaking out and asked if she had spoken to Katy Council and Ms. Smith which she has not, he advised and encourage her to speak with Katy's Mayor's Office.

Robert Williams, 12211 Fondren Rd., Apt.1011, 77035, (713)283-7634 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Eddie Sajjad, no address, (281)236-5877 appeared and stated that he is the Director of Vocten and it is an initiative to be a nonpartisan mobile application and platform that is design to help the City of Houston and all of Texas to be able to reach their Voting Poll locations with better ease, more friendly environment and it has a few functions that is coming to the City of Houston. They wanted to make an announcement, they did a test pilot for the midterms in November and they had some great results. They were able to load all the 93 Candidates that were on the Ballot for Fort Bend residents. It also helped locate all polling locations for Fort bend residents. According to their studies it was taking a resident an average of 10 to 15 minutes to locate a voting location near them and their mobile application was able to locate locations in less than 30 seconds. Coming in 2019, Elections starting in January their application will have the ability to tell them what the wait times are at polling locations and it will have a short summary of every Candidate that is going to be on the Ballot. They will be ready for the Mayor's Elections and the City Council Elections 2019 that is here in Houston and this will also help set up reminders on when the Elections are happening and also helps them share that information through text messages, e-mails and social media if they desire and the application is [www.votcen.com](http://www.votcen.com) and the application is for both Android, IOS and Apple phones.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen thanked Mr. Sajjad for that information and anything helps to get people out to vote and to help make it easier.

Charna Falls, 4050 Martinshire, 77025, (281)813-8258 appeared and stated that she does have handouts and wanted to thank Council Member Castex-Tatum because she has been an amazing support to them, and she is here with her family. It is not their first option to be here and they are here today because it is the only alternative that they feel like they have. They are here as residents of the Woodshire Community and they have been resident of the Woodshire Community for 2 decades, so they are very committed neighbors of their neighborhood, they absolutely support this project. The Project that they are referring to is the Woodshire Drainage Project which she did pass out handouts in regard to that. Main Lane Two is the contractor in charge of their Drainage Project. They are very grateful to Main Lane Two and what they are doing; however, they are here because there were promises made when the Company accepted this project and they want to explain what the difference it is promises that were made vs what is actually happening and taking place. They live on a corner lot and their corner street was one of the first streets that Main Lane started, they did expect to be inconvenienced but the manner that the project has been conducted has been less than stellar which she wanted to refer to one of the handouts that she provided, they were told certain things and one is that they were expected to receive communications with the contractor which rarely happened and when it did happen was very last minute, less than 24 hours and like everyone home is where they found comfort but unfortunately the way that Main Lane has conducted this project, it has upset their family.

Members of Council commented on the information that she provided and questioned Ms. Falls.

Council Member Castex-Tatum apologized to Ms. Falls that they had to come down here and they have been in communication with her and her family. All of their concerns are extremely valid, this project started in November of 2017 and this is a massive project. She knows that progress sometimes is very uncomfortable, they have done immediate attempts to resolve and she knows it is frustrating when they have to continuously call the Council Office and go back and forth. They have been speaking with Public Works and they have some better understanding as they move forward, she thinks the biggest issue was really the communication from Main Lane and she wants them to do a better job at communication with this ongoing project. She did want Council Members to know that the gentleman on page 9 was fired and she wanted them to know that they are supportive of their neighborhood and their concerns. She wanted Ms. Falls that she did speak with Gary Norman with Public Works this morning and she know that her and her husband have concerns about the foundation and they will be providing them with Liability Certificate to take that up with Main Lane.

Keffus Falls, 4050 Martinshire, 77025, (713)594-3520 appeared and stated that he can say mission accomplished since his wife went first because they had it laid out with a speech for him to speak first and she was going to be the closer. They do appreciate again for their time for listening to their concerns but a couple of things that they didn't get a chance to mention. They did mention about the landscaping, they have a palm tree that been in the neighborhood for 46 years and now it is gone and his mother that is not with them took great pride in caring for the palm tree for many years and it is died because they could have the sprinkler system fixed and couldn't get water to it. They were without street lights for 3 weeks and the neighborhood was completely dark. Many evenings when he came in and he would follow cars that he knew that was not part of the neighborhood and they would eventually leave the neighborhood because they saw him following them. Going back to landscaping, Main Lane went to their neighbor asking what their yard look like before the project started and from their understanding that they took pictures, prior to the project starting, so he is little confused why his neighbor which could not be here today was asked that question. Then if you look at the project information and facts, it mentions in the landscaping section, it they had landscape that

they had concern with, they need to plant materials or remove them. He could not move a 50-foot palm tree or any other trees. They appreciate making Council aware because many of their neighbors have experience the same thing, but they were not able to get here today, and they know that City Council has a standard and they know that the standard has not been met with this contractor.

Members of Council commented and gave so more advise to Mr. Falls.

Council Member Castex-Tatum apologized again to Mr. Falls for them having to come down here today and for them to know that their Office will continue to support him and his neighbors until this project is complete. She is confident that once this project is complete that him and his neighbors will enjoy better water quality, better water pressure and all these things that this project is intended to do and again she apologize that this project is being inconvenient but she appreciate him bringing this information to the Council Office so they can get this rectified and she knows that her staff gave his wife their card to continue to help them through this process. It does hold a lot of weight when their resident come down and tells this body about the troubles, they are having but making them aware of this, it does help so that they can make sure it doesn't happen to other communities in the City.

Steven Williams, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Jeremy Fair, 2623 Fern Lacy Dr., Spring, TX, 77388, (832)707-2419 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called.

Gladys House-El, 1605 Andrews, 77019, (832)781-9724 appeared and stated that she had prepared and outline regarding the concerns of the ongoing in Freedmen's Town. There is a contractor who refused to comply and they have requested to Public Works for an investigation but nothing was done and as they flip through information to be presented to Members of Council, the first section, they will see the exhibits and they will see the flooded area at an intersection and it is as a result of the clog or wherever they do construction where they need to put a blockage by the sewer but they refuse to do that and whenever it rains, it's just a horrible mess and she appreciates what Council Member Stardig stated and she thinks Public Works should do a lot better. The second concern, the three Heritage House which they have pictures of that as well. Families were forced out of these houses by the City of Houston but, yet nothing has happened. They have been restored and boarded and it has been over a year now and the families have not been allowed to return and it is owned by the City and the next concern since the Mayor does promote Historic preservation. There are three Heritage Houses on the 1400 block of Robyns Street, they are continued to be ignored. The roof has collapsed, the City did put tarps on them but just put a real permeant roof on them because the wind destroys the tarps and now it is further damaged to the properties. A lot needs to be done in regarding those issues. The Super Neighborhood Alliance and she does have a detailed document on that and just like the previous speaker, she ran out of paper because it is so detailed and she doesn't like to overwhelm Council with a lot of paperwork and she tries to be as brief as possible because she understands that Council have a lot on their plate and she also have handouts and this will give them specifics of a weekly news letter with the problems that they are having with the Super Neighborhood Alliance, trying to find out who will oversees it.

Council Member Boykins commented and questioned Ms. House-El because the pictures that she presented is sad and he will pass these pictures on to her District Council Member because this does need to be address because there are people of color who live in this neighborhood and they shouldn't be treated this way. He doesn't care who lives there, he just saying it is sad

how they have taken that area and generified it and now allowing people to live like this on the lower part of that District and it is not right. They need to deal with the contractor and he believes that Mayor Pro Tem Cohen will address that.

Terry Gobert- 7630 South Loop East, 77017, (713)644-0555 appeared and stated the reason he is here this morning because he is asking for a little bit of help, little bit of guidance in a problem that he is having with adjacent piece of property that is next to him that the owners will not cut the grass. He does have handouts to give to Members of Council to give an ideal on how bad the problem is. This problem has been going on for about 2 ½ years, he has been calling the Department of Neighborhoods who is supposed to be responsible for enforcing these Ordinances to make sure that the grass for being cut and he gets no results. Last year, the problem got worse because of the individual last summer at some point with some animal or something went into these tall grasses and died, they had to deal with the nasty odor for about a week and finally that went away and this year new problems and again this grass is not getting cut and maybe twice a year they do what they call is a roll over. This year the problems with bug infestation in their building. They call and couldn't get them to cut the grass and they called and got them to spray and whatever they are spraying is effective because every morning when he gets to the office there are dead bugs so, every morning he has to sweep the dead bugs out of the building, but the bugs infestation is getting worse and worse. They called and called and can't get anyone to cut the grass. At this point he trying to cut to the chase, last week their cleaning service was there, they found a snake in the building and they won't come back until he fixes the problem. In the handout they will see a log of all the calls they have made in trying to get someone in the Department of Neighborhoods to take care of this problem and every time they call it's a different answer and if they really look at it and look how it is set up, those calls started in July was the last time they did their roll over. He spoke to folks yesterday and were told that the next roll over is in December and that is 6 months. He is out of opinions and he need their help.

Council Member Gallegos stated to Mr. Gobert that he understands from the Department of Neighborhoods that there is a Court Hearing on December 4<sup>th</sup> where the property owner should attend and if he doesn't, they will proceed what they can do, he sees the time frame in regards to the calls that he had made but he wished that Mr. Gobert would have called his Office because they could have followed up with the Department of Neighborhoods as well and he know that they have spoke in the past in regards to that property. With the Court Hearing on December 4<sup>th</sup> he is hoping that the property owner will show up and if he doesn't they will proceed on what they can do to get it cut and to get a lien on that property on the property owner.

Mr. Gobert stated to Council Member Gallegos that he doesn't mean to be disrespectful but that is the problem, the problem is that he doesn't need anyone to call them and tell them to cut the grass because 3 months later he will be right back here. He needs to fix the problem and if they look at the pictures they can see the grass at some point are 7 foot tall and at 7 foot tall, they will come out and put a sign on the piece of property that says "that they are in violation and it's supposed to be cut at 9 inches" the grass didn't get 7 foot tall over night and secondly when they put the violation down they still have 2 months before they have to do anything. The problem is that the process is not working and that is what he is here to address.

Council Member Gallegos stated like he said the Court Hearing is December 4<sup>th</sup> they will see what exactly how that is going to turn out but again when this grass starts to grow please be free to call his Office and they will call the Department of Neighborhoods and make sure it is taken care of. Mr. Gobert stated to Council Member Gallegos he did call his Office and they

directed him back to Department of Neighborhoods and Council Member Gallegos said that he did check with his Office and he did not call his Office in regarding this issue but he did call his Office in regarding that he wanted to buy his property but in regards to the tall grass, he has not called his Office regarding the tall grass.

David Feldman, 3355 W. Alabama, 77098, (713)986-9471 appeared and stated that since Proposition B was passed by the voters, last Tuesday, much have been said in this Chamber on what the might do or might not do in responses to this passage. He has listened very carefully to what they Mayor has said during his report at last Wednesday, Council Meeting and his Press Conference that followed, he heard the stated Charter Amendment cannot override the Collective Bargaining process. Also stated that the Collective Bargaining process cannot override the Amendment and that the only recourse that the City has is the Court House. He is not here to argue the Legal Issues because he doesn't think that it's appropriate, but he does wish to point out that there is a different path that can be followed which can help avoid a costly Legal battle which the only real winners will be the Lawyers that are engaged to fight that battle. He would also like to correct something that had been stated that is factual, it has been said "in 2005 that the Firefighters were granted the right to collectively bargain by State Statue" to support the agreement that somehow the Proposition would override State Legislation. In fact, though and he remembers this very well, the people of Houston in a local option Election that was held in 2003 voted to give the Firefighters the right to Collective Bargaining with the City of Houston and the first Collective Bargaining Agreement entered into in 2005, when they wish to argue with any Legal issues surrounding Proposition B one thing is clear there is nothing which prevents or preclude the City and the Firefighters from coming together and discussing how Proposition B will be implemented in a manner and he suggested that there is no reason why both parties can discuss on how this Proposition can be implemented in an acceptable manner that carries out the will of the people.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen allowed Mr. Feldman to finish his comments and Members of Council questioned and commented from Mr. Feldman presentation at length and Mayor Pro Tem Cohen wanted to remind her Colleagues that the City Attorney presently had sent out a memo inviting Council Members to meet with him on the very subject that is being discussed and is going to give them some dates and for any reason they didn't receive that memo is a problem and to let her know and they will resend it.

Demetria Smith, 2727 Synott Rd., 77082, (832)671-9712 appeared and stated for granted HPD, HFD both have equally important jobs, but they are not equally dangerous, HPD exposes themselves that maybe face with individuals that may have a gun but sometimes it ends with nothing and we lose lives. HFD expose themselves to cancer, fire buildings, they expose themselves to steam if they are not geared up, they expose themselves to fire when they are trying to find a way in or out to save the citizens in the City of Houston. This Agenda to use our tax payer's money to pay an outside company that is Mayor Turner's buddy is ridiculous. The voters have spoken and if any Council Members vote against what the voters passed will be tyrant and she is asking them not to use the tax payers' dollars to fight against the Firefighters and their quality of life.

Derrick Broze, no address, no phone, appeared and stated that he is here to speak about 5G and he been coming down here for the past month, its been several visits that he has asked the Mayor in person, he has asked the Council Members in person and he has e-mailed all of the Council Members about a dozen times about the studies that is related to 5G, relating to privacies concerns about 5G but he is being met with silence. He has invited all of Council to come on 90.1 KPFT and so far, no response. Thankfully Isiah on Fox 26 news did actually cover

this story and its been seen 30,000 plus times by people through Facebook who are very concern and since Council Members are not interested so he is going to talk directly into the camera to the people of Houston or anyone that is looking at this video to please e-mail their City Council Members, call them and if there are any Lawyers that is interested in taking this case because this City is rushing into 5G and the Mayor just doesn't seem concern and they are very close like Verizon. There are health concerns, surveillance and privacy concerns that need to be addressed and if they care about this issue to please voice their concerns and e-mail this Body who claims to care about this City and the will of the voters because they are not responding to him.

Council Member Stardig stated that she believes he had been here before and she thought that the Mayor was here the first time and Mr. Broze advised that only Council Members Stardig and Christie responded to him in person to inquire about this at all and he has e-mail them yesterday and everytime he has come up here to speak. Council Member Stardig stated that she believed that the Mayor was going to look into it and follow up and Mayor Pro Tem Cohen stated that she wasn't advised of anything and they will have to wait until he returns.

**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.

Mayor Pro Tem Cohen stated that they will return to the Agenda and ask for the Assistant City Secretary to call the rest of the Agenda.

Assistant City Secretary advised since their ideas have been distributed Item 18 and 19 have been received.

5. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$3,739,466.10 and acceptance of work on contract with **REPIPE CONSTRUCTION, LLC dba IPR SOUTH CENTRAL, LLC** for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Cured-In-Place Pipe Method 0.79% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount (4258-64) **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; E - MARTIN; G - TRAVIS; I - GALEGOS and K - CASTEX-TATUM**- was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **MOTION 2018-0587 ADOPTED**
6. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$6,291,560.89 and acceptance of work on contract with **PM CONSTRUCTION & REHAB, LLC** for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation by Sliplining and Pipe Bursting Methods - 3.52% under the original contract amount (4257-138) - **DISTRICTS A - STARDIG; B - DAVIS; C - COHEN; D - BOYKINS; E - MARTIN; F - LE; G - TRAVIS; H - CISNEROS and K - CASTEX-TATUM**- was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **MOTION 2018-0588 ADOPTED**
9. **NETSYNC NETWORK SOLUTIONS** for approval of spending authority in an amount not to exceed \$484,134.00 for PTZ Cameras through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with Choice Partners for the Mayor's Office of Homeland Security - 2 Years - Grant Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **MOTION 2018-0589 ADOPTED**

10. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$670,152.90 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund for the purchase of Water Meters and Water Meter Replacement Parts for Houston Public Works- was presented and tagged by Council Members Laster and Edwards. Council Member Martin absent.
11. **BADGER METER, INC** - \$15,137,775.75; **ITRON, INC** - \$6,323,349.58; **KROHNE, INC** - \$922,024.58; **SIEMENS INDUSTRY, INC** - \$2,300,549.60; **SENSUS USA, INC** - \$82,520.04; **ABB, INC** - \$1,824,619.23; **NEPTUNE TECHNOLOGY GROUP, INC** - \$1,541,415.16 for Water Meters and Water Meter Replacement Parts for Houston Public Works - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$28,132,253.94 - Enterprise and Other Funds  
**This item should only be considered after passage of Item 10 above-** was presented and tagged by Council Member Laster. Council Member Martin absent.
14. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$271,000.00 from the FY2019 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for the purchase of Capital Equipment for the Houston Fire Department- was presented and tagged by Council Member Edwards. Council Member Martin absent.
15. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$996,602.00 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund and \$13,923,450.00 out of Miscellaneous Capital Projects / Acquisitions CP Series E Fund for Vehicles and Related Equipment for the Solid Waste Department and Fleet Management Department- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent.  
**ORDINANCE 2018-0900 ADOPTED**
17. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$560,000.00 out of General Improvement Consolidated Construction Fund, \$4,790,000.00 out of Miscellaneous Capital Projects/Acquisitions CP Series E Fund, \$2,062,000.00 out of Police Consolidated Construction Fund, \$1,200,000.00 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund, \$2,056,000.00 out of Public Health Consolidated Construction Fund, \$710,000.00 out of Parks & Recreation Dedication Fund, \$1,167,000.00 out of Parks Consolidated Construction Fund, and \$61,000.00 out of Public Library Consolidated Construction Fund as an appropriation to the FY2019 Task Order and Job Order Contracting Program for Professional and Construction Services for General Government, Health, Police, Library, Fire and Parks & Recreation Departments (Approved by Ordinance Number 2013-1093; 2013-1201; 2015-0610; 2016-0264 & 2018-0003)- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0901 ADOPTED**
18. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to an agreement for Professional Services between the City and **the SOCIAL JUSTICE LEARNING INSTITUTE** for Houston's My Brother's Keeper Initiative Program – was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0902 ADOPTED**
19. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing second amendment to the agreement between the City of Houston and **TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC, Formerly DIGITAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT, INC**, for Software Product License and Software Support Services to extend the term of the agreement to March 1, 2019- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0903 ADOPTED**
20. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between the City of Houston and **JHC TECHNOLOGY, INC** for an enterprise agreement for Amazon Web Services for the

Houston Information Technology Services; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 years with two one-year options - \$15,506,101.00 - Enterprise, General and Other Funds- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0904 ADOPTED**

21. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing submission of an application for grant assistance to **HOUSTON ENDOWMENT, INC**; accepting a grant for the City of Houston to fund staff salaries, related benefits, and other expenses to establish an office of Complete Communities; approving an agreement between the City of Houston and **HOUSTON ENDOWMENT, INC**; authorizing the Director of the City's Planning and Development Department to act as the City's representative to accept and expend the grant funds, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any \$940,000.00 - Grant Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0905 ADOPTED**
22. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 17.1821 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, also known as the UPTOWN MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**, for inclusion in its district - **DISTRICT G - TRAVIS** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0906 ADOPTED**
25. **ORDINANCE** establishing the north and south sides of the **2000 block of Southgate Boulevard**, within the City of Houston, Texas, as a special minimum lot size block pursuant to Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas - **DISTRICT C - COHEN**- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2018-0907 ADOPTED**
27. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$705,976.40 out of Metro Projects Construction DDSRF as an additional appropriation to Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **HUITT-ZOLLARS, INC** for Hillcroft Avenue Paving and Drainage from Bissonnet Street to Beechnut Street (Approved by Ordinance No. 2015-0464); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF - **DISTRICT C - COHEN**- was presented and tagged by Council Member Edwards. Council Member Martin absent.

**NON-CONSENT AGENDA** - NUMBERS 29 through 31

**MISCELLANEOUS**

29. **SET A PUBLIC HEARING DATE** regarding seventh amendment to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FIVE (MEMORIAL HEIGHTS) - DISTRICTS C - COHEN and H - CISNEROS** **HEARING DATE - 9:00 A.M. - WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 28, 2018**- was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson to set a Public Hearing Date for Reinvestment Zone Number 5 and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **MOTION 2018-0590 ADOPTED**

- 30. SET A PUBLIC HEARING DATE** regarding fifth amendment to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TEN (LAKE HOUSTON) - DISTRICT E - MARTIN** **HEARING DATE - 9:00 A.M. - WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 28, 2018-** was presented, moved Council Member Robinson to set a Public Hearing Date for Reinvestment Zone Number 10 and seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **MOTION 2018-0591 ADOPTED**
- 31. SET A PUBLIC HEARING DATE** regarding fourth amendment to the Project Plan and Reinvestment Zone Financing Plan for **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SEVENTEEN (MEMORIAL CITY ZONE) - DISTRICTS A - STARDIG and G - TRAVIS** **HEARING DATE - 9:00 A.M. - WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 28, 2018-** was presented, moved by Council Member Knox to set a Public Hearing Date for Reinvestment Zone Number 17 and seconded by Council Member Travis, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2018-0592 ADOPTED**

**MATTERS HELD** - NUMBERS 32 and 33

- 32. ORDINANCE** approving the issuance of additional bonds by the **OLD SPANISH TRAIL/ALMEDA CORRIDORS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY - DISTRICT D - BOYKINS** **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BOYKINS**  
This was Item 17 on Agenda of November 7, 2018- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORINANCE 2018-0908 ADOPTED**
- 33. ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **DECOR IQ LLC** to Furnish, Install and Remove Mini Led Holiday Tree Lights for the General Services Department; establishing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years with two one-year options - **\$519,418.00** - General Fund  
**TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STARDIG**  
This was Item 17 on Agenda of November 7, 2018- was presented, Council Members Stardig, Gallegos and Laster voting no, balance voting aye. Council Member Martin absent. **ORINANCE 2018-0909 ADOPTED**

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 11:55 a.m. Council Members Boykins, Martin, Le, Travis, Cisneros, Gallegos, 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

