

Council Chamber, City Hall, Wednesday, September 7, 2022

A consolidated meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 7, 2022, with Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding with Council Members Amy Peck, Tarsha Jackson, Abbie Kamin, Carolyn Evans-Shabazz, Dave Martin, Tiffany Thomas, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Knox, David W. Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Letitia Plummer and Sallie Alcorn; Arturo Michel, City Attorney and Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director, present. Council Members Edward Pollard and Martha Castex-Tatum out of the City on City business. Council Member Mary Nan Huffman absent on personal business.

At 9:05 a.m., Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and recognized Council Member Plummer for the Invocation.

Council Member Plummer invited Rev. Dr. Murphy Simon (Bethel Institutional Missionary Baptist Church) for the Invocation after which she led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Edward Pollard and Martha Castex-Tatum out of the City on City business. Council Member Mary Nan Huffman absent on personal business.

Council Member Knox moved to delay the minutes and Seconded by Council Member Martin, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Due to health and safety concerns related to COVID-19, this meeting will offer the options to participate by videoconference or in-person. The meeting will be open to the public but restrictions regarding masks, allowable room capacity, and seating arrangements may be in place.

The public meeting location will be City Hall Council Chamber, 901 Bagby, 2nd Floor, Houston, Texas 77002. The Mayor, as presiding officer of City Council, and some Council Members will be physically present. Other Council Members will be participating by videoconference in accordance with the provisions of Section 551.127 of the Texas Government Code applicable to a governmental body that extends into three or more counties. The meeting will also be streamed as usual on the City's website (<https://www.houstontx.gov/htv/index.html>), Facebook site (<https://www.facebook.com/pg/HoustonTelevision/videos/>) and the municipal channel on public television.

Members of the public may also provide public comment during the public session portion of the meeting at (936) 755-1521; Conference ID# 636 193 342#. Details for signing up to speak in-person or virtually are posted at <https://www.houstontx.gov/council/meetingsinfo.html>.

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to review some of the procedures for conducting the Virtual Public Session. He is requesting for Council Members to speak slowly and clearly because this will help the City Secretary, the closed captioner and the general public. After roll call, they established there was a quorum. If by chance, for example, they have to leave, just let them know on the chat screen if they are leaving temporarily or if they are leaving for the duration because otherwise, they will assume that Council Members are present. If they are making the motion or seconding a motion, they will need to state their name and their action clearly so they can have it down for the record. The Agenda Director will be monitoring the chat and will provide him their names. Please don't use the chat room just for chatting. Please mute themselves when they are not speaking and unmute themselves when they are recognized to speak. For the general public, in order to be recognized as a public speaker, they have to sign up for the meeting on Tuesday by 3:00 p.m. in the Office of the City Secretary and then they will call the speakers name in the order that they have signed up. When their name is called, press *6 to unmute themselves. They may only speak when recognized and to please note that if they speak during the meeting and he hasn't recognized them, he will have to mute and/or remove them off the call.

Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call Item 1.

MISCELLANEOUS - NUMBER 1

1. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the reappointment of the following individuals to the **HARRIS COUNTY-HOUSTON SPORTS AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for a term to expire August 31, 2024
Position One - **CINDY CLIFFORD**
Position Two - **NORMAAN K. HUSAIN**
Position Three - **WILLIE J. ALEXANDER**
Was presented, moved by Council Member Martin and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Alcorn absent.
MOTION 2022-0442 ADOPTED

Mayor Turner presented a proclamation to the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority on their 25th Anniversary. Accepting the proclamation were the members of the Board.

Mayor Turner and Members of Council thanked them for their services and their commitment to the City of Houston.

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Kubosh for a procedural motion. Council Member Kubosh moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of moving Marion Wright to the top of the three (3) minute Non-Agenda List of Speakers and Seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Kamin, Martin, Gallegos and Alcorn absent.
MOTION 2022-0443 ADOPTED

At 9:32 a.m., Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

#1 - DAVID ESPINOZA – 4126 Lone Oak Rd – 77093 – 281-702-9427 – Demolition of the Lofts at the Ballpark (Teleconference).

#2 - ERIN ERIKSEN – 1000 Heights Blvd #6 – 77008 – 713-202-8795 – Demolition of the Lofts at the Ballpark - (Teleconference).

#3 - MARION WRIGHT – 709 Bayland St. – 77009 – 713-899-7439 – Review of first responders on HPW projects (In Person).

#4 - KATY MURDZA – 511 Bishop St – 77009 – 603-359-9362 – Demolition of the Lofts at the Ballpark - (Virtual) - katy.murdza@gmail.com.

#5 - MICHAEL MORITZ – 307 Mission Ln – 77011 – 210-391-8468 – Demolition of the Lofts at the Ballpark - (Teleconference).

#6 - ROBERT ALEXANDER – 9302 Glencroft St. – 77078 – 713-269-9721 – Drainage ditch adjacent to Halls Bayou – (In Person).

CATHERINE MORALES – 1414 Bayou Oaks Vista Dr. – 77019 – 832-325-8026 – Housing – (In Person). NOT PRESENT

MICHAEL PORTER – No Address – No Phone – Housing - (In Person). NOT PRESENT

AMOS SIMMS – 1212 Grand Plaza Dr., Apt. 2407 – 77067 – 512-657-6796 – Organized crime with HPD – (In Person). NOT PRESENT

JAMES SOUTHERLAND – 16918 Rolling Acres Dr. – 77396 – Humble, TX – 281-802-0247 – Heavy trash not being picked up – (In Person). NOT PRESENT

STEVE WILLIAMS – No Address – 832-584-1625 – FBI, pay attention. Double homicide has occurred. HEB/Allied – (Teleconference). NOT PRESENT

#7 - MOLLY COOK – 2503 Park St – 77019 – 713-502-4932 – I-45 expansion - (Teleconference).

#8 - THOMAS SLOCUM – 1230 Habner Ln. – 77037 – 281-447-8341 – Park Rangers/Reason why we can't clean-up parks – (In Person).

CRYSTAL PRIESTER – 17100 Rolling Creek Dr., Apt. 160 – 77090 – 832-689-9321 – My brother found unresponsive – (In Person). NOT PRESENT

#9 - ILY MONTOYA-RIVAS – 9390 FM 1960 Bypass West – Humble, TX – 77338 – 832-795-6272 – Eviction – (In Person).

ART SMITH – 5315 Sonora St. – 77020 – 281-667-1016 – Abuse of Power by HPD Officer D. Gray/10176 – (In Person). NOT PRESENT

KOFFEY EL-BEY - 5315 Sonora St. – 77020 – 281-667-1016 – Houston Police Officer D. Gray/Oath breaker violated due process – **(In Person). NOT PRESENT**

MELANIE MILES – 3718 Parkwood Dr. – 77021 – 832-423-6527 – 5326 Calhoun Townhouses – **(In Person). NOT PRESENT**

#10 - KARIN SIMS – 7302 Alabonson – 77036 – 832-974-6093 – Family courts - **(Virtual)** - **karinwilson816@gmail.com.**

#11 - LaTANYA LOVE – 4609 Roseneath Dr – 77021 – 77021 – 832-594-6464 – 5326 Calhoun Rd Townhomes - **(Virtual)** - **drjoneslove@yahoo.com.**

#12 - JOI MORRISON – 4422 N. Roseneath Dr – 77021 – 832-775-3131 – 5326 Calhoun Rd Townhomes - **(Virtual)** - **joishaw1@gmail.com.**

#13 - KENNY JOHNSON – 5335 Blythewood – 77021 – 303-518-5524 – 5326 Calhoun Rd Townhomes - **(Virtual)** - **kennyjj01@hotmail.com.**

JOSEPH PATRICK – 4322 Laurel – 77021 – 832-428-1054 – 5326 Calhoun Rd Townhomes - **(In Person). NOT PRESENT**

#14 - COLLIN THOMAS – 4481 N. Roseneath Dr – 77021 – 718-440-4169 – 5326 Calhoun Rd Townhomes - **(Teleconference).**

At 10:04 a.m., Council Member Alcorn came into the meeting.

For more information and details from the speakers list, please click here: houstontx.new.swagit.com/videos/180052

Note: During the public session motions may be 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 10:24 a.m., End of the Speaker's List and Mayor Turner moved to the Mayor's Report

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Turner stated that September 11th will mark the anniversary of the September 11th terrorist attack which killed 2,996 people. On Saturday, the 9/11 Heroes 5k Run welcomes runners and walkers of all ages and fitness levels to honor the heroes of 9/11 and those who have served our nation since. They welcome some of the survivors along with family members of those who lost their lives on that horrific attack on America on 9/11/2001.

Also this week, Vice President Kamala Harris and the United States Energy Secretary Jennifer Granholm will be in the City of Houston for two (2) days. She will attend the National Baptist Convention's Annual Session. Then the Secretary will tour the state-of-the-art Union Workers, a training facility focused on energy jobs and then will announce a major new geothermal energy initiative. Later on, Secretary Grandholm will visit the ION followed by the round table. He will be with both of them at different times of the day.

Mayor Turner presented two (2) charts that relate to crime in this city. He refuses to accept anyone saying that this is the most dangerous city because it's not. He is not going to allow anybody to tarnish the reputation of this city.

He presented to Members of Council two (2) charts as a PowerPoint presentation.

At 10:38 a.m., Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the Consent Agenda.

ACCEPT WORK - NUMBERS 3 and 4

3. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$632,348.65 and acceptance of work on contract with **MAIN LANE INDUSTRIES, LTD.** for Fiber Reinforced Polymer Patching on Concrete Pavements Citywide - 78.60% under the original Contract Amount - **DISTRICTS B - JACKSON and I - GALLEGOS** – Was presented, moved by Council Member Martin and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2022-0444 ADOPTED**
4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$3,248,472.22 and acceptance of work on contract with **VACA UNDERGROUND UTILITIES, INC** for Kress Street Drainage and Paving Improvements from Larimer to Clinton - 6.20% under the original contract amount - **DISTRICT H - CISNEROS** - Was presented, moved by Council Member Martin and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2022-0445 ADOPTED**

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBERS 5 and 6

5. **EFFENDORF NORTH AMERICA, INC** for epMotion 5975t Liquid Handling Workstation and Components to run SARS-CoV-2 testing for the Houston Health Department - \$313,136.95 - Grant Fund - **The City Secretary advised that Item 5 has been pulled by the Administration and will not be considered.**
6. **AMEND MOTION #2022-031, passed 1/19/2022 TO INCREASE** spending authority from \$3,289,526.00 to \$3,316,126.00 for the purchase of Heavy-Duty Cab and Chassis mounted with Truck Bodies through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Houston-Galveston Area Council for the Fleet Management Department on behalf of Houston Public Works - \$26,600.00 Enterprise Fund - Was presented, moved by Council Member Martin and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2022-0446 ADOPTED**

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 10 through 24

10. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Lease Agreement between City of Houston, Texas, as Landlord, and **HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS**, as Tenant, for property located at 15503 Brown Road, Tomball, Harris County, Texas, to update improvements to enhance the operation of the existing antenna tower for the benefit of the Radio Tower System of Houston Information Technology Services and Harris County Universal Services – Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0676 ADOPTED**

11. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2019-0007 (Passed on January 2, 2019) to increase the maximum contract amount for contract between City of Houston and **GAMMA WASTE SYSTEMS, LLC** for Medical Waste Removal and Disposal Services for Various Departments - \$329,845.20 - General, Enterprise and Other Funds -- Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0677 ADOPTED**
12. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2019-0476 to increase the maximum contract amount for Professional Services Agreement between City of Houston and **TETRA TECH, INC** for Disaster Debris Monitoring Services for Solid Waste Management Department and to establish maximum contract amounts for Professional Services Agreements between City and **CDR MAGUIRE, INC** and **THOMPSON CONSULTING SERVICES, LLC** -- Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0678 ADOPTED**
13. **ORDINANCE** relating to Fiscal Affairs of **REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SIX, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (EASTSIDE ZONE)**; approving Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICTS E - MARTIN and I - GALLEGOS** -- Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0679 ADOPTED**
14. **ORDINANCE** relating to Fiscal Affairs of **OLD SIXTH WARD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER THIRTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (OLD SIXTH WARD ZONE)**; approving Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget for the Authority and Fiscal Years 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Projects Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICT H - CISNEROS** -- Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0680 ADOPTED**
15. **ORDINANCE** relating to Fiscal Affairs of **HARDY/NEAR NORTHSIDE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-ONE, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (HARDY/NEAR NORTHSIDE ZONE)**; approving Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget for the Authority and Fiscal Years 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICT H - CISNEROS** -- Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0681 ADOPTED**
16. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$342,425.00 out of Miscellaneous Capital Projects/Acquisitions CP Series E Fund and \$109,325.00 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund; approving Professional Architectural Services Contract with **SMITH & COMPANY ARCHITECTS** to perform Design and Construction Phase Services for the African American Library at the Gregory School Building Envelope Restoration and HVAC Upgrade-Hurricane Harvey Project for the Houston Public Library Department - **DISTRICT C - KAMIN** -- Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0682 ADOPTED**

17. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining public convenience and necessity for the acquisition of real property interests in connection with the public improvement project known as the Lift Station Renewal And Replacement - North MacGregor Way #3, Wheeler, Gilpin, West Orem, Quail View, and Hillcroft Lift Stations Project; authorizing the acquisition of fee simple or easement interest to one parcel of land required for the Project and situated in the John Lafayette Survey, Abstract No. 280, in Fort Bend County, Texas, said parcel of land being located between Hillcroft Avenue and Blueridge Road in Houston, Fort Bend County, Texas, by gift, dedication, purchase and the use of eminent domain and further authorizing payment of the costs of such purchases and/or eminent domain proceedings and associated costs for Relocation Assistance, Appraisal Fees, Title Policies/Services, Recording Fees, Court Costs, and Expert Witness Fees in connection with the acquisition of fee simple or easement interest to the one parcel of land required for the project - **DISTRICT K - CASTEX-TATUM** -- Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0683 ADOPTED**
18. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of Log Hollow Drive, from the B. & R. I. Railroad west ±286 feet, situated in the James Doswell Survey, Abstract No. 230 and the Samuel Lewis Survey, Abstract No. 510, Houston, Harris County, Texas; abandoning the easement to Breen Road Holding II, LLC, the abutting owner, in consideration of its payment to the City in the cash amount of \$44,043.00, and conveyance to the City of a 20-foot-wide waterline easement, also being situated in the James Doswell Survey, Abstract No. 230 and the Samuel Lewis Survey, Abstract No. 510, Houston, Harris County, Texas, and other good and valuable consideration - **DISTRICT A – PECK** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0684 ADOPTED**
19. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of Harvest Avenue, from Venus Street east to Easter Street, situated in the Jas. Love Survey, Abstract Number 528, Harris County, Texas; abandoning said street easement to **JJAMES CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LLC**, the abutting property owner, in consideration of its payment to the City in the amount of \$46,919.00, and other good and valuable consideration - **DISTRICT B – JACKSON** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0685 ADOPTED**
20. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of a 5-foot-wide sanitary sewer easement and a 10-foot-wide utility easement, all situated in the GP Foster Survey, Abstract No. 273, Houston, Harris County, Texas; extinguishing an attendant aerial easement, and abandoning the easements to **GALA AT MACGREGOR, LP**, the abutting owner, in consideration of its payment to the City in the cash amount of \$3,250.00, and conveyance to the City of a 10-foot-wide sanitary sewer easement, also being situated in the GP Foster Survey, Abstract No. 273, Houston, Harris County, Texas, and other good and valuable consideration - **DISTRICT D – EVANS-SHABAZZ** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0686 ADOPTED**

21. **ORDINANCE** finding and determining that public convenience and necessity no longer require the continued use of two 10-foot-wide water line easements, two 4-foot by 5-foot-wide fire hydrant easements, and three 10-foot by 10-foot-wide fire hydrant easements, all out of Block 2, South Park Village, and/or Block 1, South Park Village, Section 3, situated in the Thomas Tobin Survey, Abstract No. 774, Houston, Harris, County; abandoning the easements to **SANDROCK GARDENS, LLC**, the underlying fee owner, in consideration of its cash payment to the City of \$37,129.00 and other good and valuable consideration - **DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0687 ADOPTED**
22. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 31.486 acres of land to **DOWDELL PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**, for inclusion in the district - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0688 ADOPTED**
23. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$840,000.00 out of Metro Projects Construction - DDSRF and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between City of Houston and **COBB FENDLEY & ASSOCIATES, INC** for Street Rehabilitation Projects Contract #2; providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Metro Projects Construction – DDSRF - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0689 ADOPTED**
24. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$3,300,000.00 out of Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund - Drainage Charge, awarding contract to **T CONSTRUCTION, LLC** for FY2022 Drainage Rehabilitation Storm Water Action Team (SWAT) Work Orders No. 3; setting a deadline for the bidder's execution of the contract and delivery of all bonds, insurance, and other required contract documents to the City; holding the bidder in default if it fails to meet the deadlines; providing funding for engineering and testing services and CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund - Drainage Charge - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0690 ADOPTED**

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

2. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Public Works for approval of final contract amount of \$2,234,827.35 and acceptance of work on contract with **TEXAS PRIDE UTILITIES, LLC** for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal - 8.92% under the original contract amount – Was presented, moved by Council Member Martin and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2022-0447 ADOPTED**
7. **RESOLUTION** supporting the nomination of **COUNCIL MEMBER MARTHA CASTEX-TATUM** to the National League of Cities Board of Directors – Was presented and **Tagged by Council Member Kamin.**

8. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing agreement between City of Houston and **COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS OF HOUSTON/HARRIS COUNTY** providing Community Development Block Grant - Cares Act Funds for administration and operation of the Navigation Center located at 2903 Jensen Drive, Houston, Texas 77026 - \$1,986,822.00 - Grant Fund - **DISTRICT B – JACKSON** – Was presented and **Tagged by Council Members Jackson, Plummer and Alcorn.**

9. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$15,000,000.00 out of Airports Renewal and Replacement Fund; approving and authorizing three contracts for On-Call Aviation Planning Consulting Services for Houston Airport System between City of Houston and 1) **RICONDO & ASSOCIATES, INC;** 2) **LANDRUM & BROWN, INC;** and 3) **HNTB CORPORATION,** respectively (Project Nos. 945A, 945B and 945C) - **DISTRICTS B - JACKSON and I – GALLEGOS** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0692 ADOPTED**

25. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$36,695,200.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund; awarding contract to **MAIN LANE INDUSTRIES, LTD** for 72-inch water line along Kipling, Woodhead and Branard from Mt. Vernon to Greenbriar; 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 CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund, contingency, testing services, construction management, and construction phase engineering services - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2022-0693 ADOPTED**

MATTERS HELD – NUMBER 26

26. **ORDINANCE** relating to Fiscal Affairs of **LELAND WOODS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON BEHALF OF REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY-TWO, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (LELAND WOODS ZONE);** approving Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget for the Authority and Fiscal Years 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan Budget for the Zone - **DISTRICT B - JACKSON**
TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON
This was Item 22 on Agenda of August 31, 2022 - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2022-0691 ADOPTED

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

There being no further business before Council, the City Council adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Mayor Turner, Council Members Jackson, Gallegos, Knox, Kubosh and Plummer absent.

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

Pat J. Daniel, City Secretary