No. 2023-0038-1

Council Chamber, City Hall, Wednesday, January 18, 2023

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 18, 2023, with Mayor Pro Tem Dave Martin presiding with Council Members Amy Peck, Carolyn Evans-Shabazz, Tiffany Thomas, Mary Nan Huffman, Karla Cisneros, Edward Pollard, Martha Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David W. Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Letitia Plummer and Sallie Alcorn; Randy Zamora, Legal Department and Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director, present. Mayor Sylvester Turner out of the City on City business. Council Members Abbie Kamin, Tarsha Jackson and Robert Gallegos absent.

At 9:02 a.m., Mayor Pro Tem Martin called this meeting to order and stated that Mayor Turner is in Washington D.C. attending the 91st Winter meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors. Mayor Pro Tem Martin recognized Council Member Kubosh for the Invocation after which he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

At 9:03 a.m,, Mayor Pro Tem Martin requested the City Secretary to call the Roll.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Sylvester Turner out of the City on City business. Council Members Tarsha Jackson and Robert Gallegos absent.

At 9:04 a.m., Council Members Jackson and Gallegos came into the meeting.

Council Member Kubosh moved to delay the minutes and Seconded by Council Member Castex-Tatum, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kamin absent. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Mayor Pro Tem Martin recognized Council Member Castex-Tatum for a procedural motion. Council Member Castex-Tatum moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of considering Item 1 out of order at this time and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kamin absent. **MOTION 2023-0039 ADOPTED**

1. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the reappointment of the following individuals to the **BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION**:

   Panel A:

   ALPHONSO DELANEY, appointment to Position A1, for a term to expire 12/31/2024.
   JACKSON CHANG, reappointment to Position A3, for a term to expire 12/31/2024.
   ANTHONY FREDDIE, reappointment to Position A5, for a term to expire 12/31/2024.

   Panel B:
   RAY C. JONES, appointment to Position B1, for a term to expire 12/31/2024.
   NOLA J. LUSK, reappointment to Position B3, for a term to expire 12/31/2024.
   VIRGINIA LEE DUKE, reappointment to Position B5, for a term to expire 12/31/2024.

   Alternates:

   KIMBERLY E. SATTERWHITE, appointment to Position a1, as an Alternate, for a term to expire 12/31/2024.
   PRECIOUS JONES, appointment to Position a2, as an Alternate, for a term to expire 12/31/2024.
   IFRAN BHAIDANI, appointment to Position a3, as an Alternate, for a term to expire 12/31/2024.
   JULIA LYNETTE KEELS SALAS, appointment to Position a4, for an unexpired term ending 12/31/2023
   KEVIAN CONLEY, appointment to Position a5, as an Alternate, for a term to expire 12/31/2024.
   HANNAH MANNION, appointment to Position a7, as an Alternate, for a term to expire 12/31/2024.
   AUSTIN AJAERO, appointment to Position a8, as an Alternate, for an unexpired term ending 12/31/2023

   - was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Kamin absent. **MOTION 2023-0040 ADOPTED**

At 9:08 a.m., Council Member Kamin came into the meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Today, they are welcoming the NCAA to the City of Houston for the Men's Final Four College playoffs PreTip-Off Press Conference. It will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the Blue Triangle Community Center. All Council Members are invited. We have the basketball tournament this year and then will follow up with the NCAA Football Finals in 2024. Together, with the local organizing committee, they will announce the details of the National Championship Week that will take place in February when the top four college men's basketball teams play at NRG Stadium. While Mayor Turner cannot be here today, he did record a welcoming video that will be played at the news conference. The news conference will include Mr. Dan Gavitt, Sr. Vice President of Basketball Operations for the NCAA, Mr. Chris Reynolds, Division I Men's Basketball Committee Chairman for the NCAA and Ms. JoAn Scott, Managing Director, Division I Men's Basketball Championships for the NCAA, and Ms. Patti Smith, Vice President of Communications for the Harris County - Houston Sports Authority. There will be other special guests as they announce the family friendly ancillary events and programs that will take place in Houston during the National Championship Week.

This Saturday, the Chinese Community Center will host the annual Chinese New Year Celebration. The 2023 Lunar New Year Festival will take place on Saturday, January 21, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. thru 4:00 p.m. at 9800 Town Park Drive. It's a free fun day family friendly outdoor event featuring a wide variety of cultural and family activities, a number of vendors, some merchandising, delicious foods and exciting performances to welcome the Year of the Rabbit. This is an annual tradition in Houston's Asian Town since 2003. The festival celebrates both the Lunar New Year and Houston's vast cultural diversity.

Mayor Pro Tem Martin can't say enough good things about this weekend. It started Saturday in Council Member Thomas' area with the opening of the Alief Community Center. It was a crowded event. Council Member Thomas' speech was really good and he loved how she charged the community with keeping up with the facility that they've been given. On Sunday, they followed up with the Houston Marathon and the Houston Half Marathon. Congratulations to Council Member Alcorn who ran the Half Marathon. On Monday, they had the Martin Luther King Day festivities. A special shout out goes to Susan Christian and the Mayor's Office of Special Events. To handle those three (3) events back to back to back was an accomplishment. Her and her team do a great job day in and day out but this weekend they were challenged and they did a bang up job.

At 9:12 a.m., Mayor Pro Tem Martin requested the City Secretary to call the Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 2 through 24

MISCELLANEOUS - NUMBERS 2 and 3

2. **CONFIRMATION** of the reappointment of **DEAN CORGEY** to Position One of the **PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY OF HARRIS COUNTY**, for a two-year term – was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2023-0041 ADOPTED**

3. **CONFIRMATION** of the appointment or reappointment of the following to the **HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for a one-year term to expire December 31, 2023:

   Council Member Alcorn for Position One
   Council Member Peck for Position Two
   Council Member Huffman for Alternate At-Large
   Council Member Pollard for Alternate At-Large

   - was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2023-0042 ADOPTED**

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBERS 4 through 10

4. **AMEND MOTION #2018-575, 11/7/2018**, **as amended by Motion #2021-243, 5/12/2021 and Motion #2022-427, 8/24/22 TO INCREASE** spending authority for Purchase of Medical, Dental and Ambulatory Supplies and Pharmaceuticals for the Houston Fire Department, on award to **BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC** from $6,759,224.70 to $7,359,224.70 and **LIFE ASSIST, INC** from $8,852,474.00 to $9,252,474.00 – **The City Secretary advised that Item 4 has not been received and if received during the meeting will be considered at the end of the agenda.**

5. **DEERE AND COMPANY** for Purchase of Grounds Keeping Equipment through the Interlocal Agreement for Cooperative Purchasing with the Texas Local Cooperative (Buyboard) for the Fleet Management Department on behalf of Houston Public Works - $444,434.82 - Storm Water Fund - was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2023-0043 ADOPTED**

7. **EVANS ENTERPRISES, INC** for Emergency Repair Services of Groundwater Well Pump Motors for Houston Public Works - 12 Months - $500,000.00 - Enterprise Fund - was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2023-0044 ADOPTED**

8. **AMERIMEX MOTOR & CONTROLS, LLC** for Emergency Repair Services of Water and Wastewater Pump Motors for Houston Public Works - 12 Months - $1,200,000.00 - Enterprise Fund - was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2023-0045 ADOPTED**

9. **INNOVYZE, LLC** for Sole Source Purchase of InfoMaster and InfoWorks Modeling Software for Water and Wastewater Modeling for Houston Public Works - 1 Year - $240,755.21 - Enterprise Fund - was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2023-0046 ADOPTED**

10. **AMEND MOTION #2019-51, 1/30/2019, TO INCREASE** spending authority for Equipment Rentals and Related Products and Services through the Public Sector Cooperative Purchasing Organization with Omnia Partners (Formerly U. S. Communities) for Various Departments, on award to **HERC RENTAL, INC** from $5,752,762.35 to $7,978,439.51 - was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2023-0047 ADOPTED**

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 13 through 23

13. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing fourth amendment to contract between City of Houston and **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS INSPIRING COMMUNITIES, INC**, to extend the term of the contract and provide additional Community Development Block Grant Funds for the continuing administration and operation of the Housing Entrepreneurial and Readiness Training (H.E.A.R.T.) Program, a Job Training Program for developmentally disabled low and moderate income adults - **DISTRICT C – KAMIN** – was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2023-0036 ADOPTED**

18. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2021-0716 (Passed on August 25, 2021) to increase the maximum contract amount; approve and authorizing a first amendment to contract between City of Houston and **THE CNA CORPORATION** for Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Planning Services for Public Safety and Homeland Security (Approved by Ordinance 2021-0716) - $882,401.44 - Grant Fund - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2023-0037 ADOPTED**

19. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $700,000.00 from Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for the refresh of Operational Systems for the Police Department - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2023-0038 ADOPTED**

20. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $200,000.00 from Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for Radio Communication Devices for the Police Department - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2023-0039 ADOPTED**

21. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $825,000.00 from Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for the refresh of Mobile Technology Devices for the Police Department - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2023-0040 ADOPTED**

22. **ORDINANCE** appropriating $132,000.00 out of Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund - Ad Valorem Tax as an additional appropriation to Professional Materials Engineering Laboratory Agreement between City of Houston and **GEOTEST ENGINEERING, INC** for the Shepherd Drive and Durham Drive Paving and Drainage Dickson to Washington Avenue (Approved by Ordinance No. 2017-0133) – **DISTRICT C – KAMIN** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2023-0041 ADOPTED**

23. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing third amendment to Professional Engineering Services Contract between City of Houston and **KAVI CONSULTING, INC** for FY19 Local Drainage Project Work Order Design Contract #6 (Approved by Ordinance No. 2019-0430, as amended) - was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2023-0042 ADOPTED

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

6. **AMEND MOTION #2019-379, 7/19/2019, TO INCREASE** spending authority for Liquid Calcium Nitrate Chemicals for Houston Public Works, from $2,692,800.00 to $3,769,920.00 on award to **EVOQUA WATER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC -** was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2023-0048 ADOPTED**

11. **RESOLUTION** consenting to fourth amendment of the Certificate of Formation of **HOUSTON FORENSIC SCIENCE CENTER, INC**, a Local Government Corporation – was presented and **Tagged by Council Member Kubosh**.

12. **ORDINANCE AMENDING BUFFERING STANDARDS CONTAINED IN CHAPTER 42 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, HOUSTON, TEXAS**, relating to subdivision platting and development; amending the National Electrical Code as adopted and amended by the City of Houston on Light Buffering; amending Chapter 39, Solid Waste and Litter Control on related matters; containing findings and other provisions relating to the foregoing subject; providing for severability; containing a savings clause; establishing an effective date – Was presented and **Tagged by Council Members Knox, Robinson, Kubosh and Alcorn.**

14. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to Developer Agreement to add state law compliance provisions and extend the time of performance thereunder for the City of Houston Community Housing Development Organization Single-Family Home Development Program to be executed by the City of Houston and **A CARING SAFE PLACE, INC;** authorizing the Mayor to execute a first amendment to Developer Agreement with **A CARING SAFE PLACE, INC** - **DISTRICT B – JACKSON** – was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2023-0043 ADOPTED**

15. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to Developer Agreement to add state law compliance provisions and extend the time of performance thereunder for the City of Houston Community Housing Development Organization Single-Family Home Development Program to be executed by the City of Houston and **CHANGE HAPPENS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**; authorizing the Mayor to execute a first amendment to Developer Agreement with **CHANGE HAPPENS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION** - **DISTRICTS A - PECK and B – JACKSON** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2023-0044 ADOPTED**

16. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to Construction Contribution Agreement between City of Houston and **COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS OF HOUSTON/HARRIS COUNTY** to extend the date of completion of the work and the date by which the Project must "Go Live" - **DISTRICT B – JACKSON** - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2023-0045 ADOPTED**

17. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2020-0139 (Approved February 19, 2020) to increase the maximum contract amount and approving and authorizing first amendment to agreement for Cellular and Wireless Mobility Devices and Services Agreement between City of Houston and **GTE MOBILNET OF SOUTH TEXAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP d/b/a VERIZON WIRELESS** - $9,932,532.60 - General, Enterprise and Other Funds - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2023-0046 ADOPTED**

24. **ORDINANCE** authorizing agreement for Professional Consulting Services for development of the Galveston Bay Park Plan between City of Houston and **WILLIAM MARSH RICE UNIVERSITY**, acting by and through its Severe Storm Prediction, Education, and Evacuation from Disasters (SSPEED) Center; appropriating $500,000.00 from Contribution for Capital Projects Fund - $250,000.00 Contributed Capital Fund - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2023-0047 ADOPTED**

Mayor Pro Tem Martin stated that Item 4 was in and requested the City Secretary to call Item 4.

4. **AMEND MOTION #2018-575, 11/7/2018**, **as amended by Motion #2021-243, 5/12/2021 and Motion #2022-427, 8/24/22 TO INCREASE** spending authority for Purchase of Medical, Dental and Ambulatory Supplies and Pharmaceuticals for the Houston Fire Department, on award to **BOUND TREE MEDICAL, LLC** from $6,759,224.70 to $7,359,224.70 and **LIFE ASSIST, INC** from $8,852,474.00 to $9,252,474.00 – was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none**. MOTION 2023-0049 ADOPTED**

At 9:23 a.m., Mayor Pro Tem Martin stated that Council will recess until 9:30 a.m. for Public Speakers List.

At 9:30 a.m., City Council reconvened and recognized Council Member Kubosh.

Council Member Kubosh stated that he would like to release his tag on Item 11.

11. **RESOLUTION** consenting to fourth amendment of the Certificate of Formation of **HOUSTON FORENSIC SCIENCE CENTER, INC**, a Local Government Corporation – was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Thomas absent.
RESOLUTION 2023-0001 ADOPTED

At 9:32 a.m., Mayor Pro Tem Martin request the City Secretary to call the List of Speakers.

#1 - CHYNA GRAGG – No Address – 832-758-5108 – JR Roofing Co. fraudulent abuse of Roofing Designs.

Mayor Pro Tem Martin recogized Coucil Member Kubosh for a procedural motion. Council Member Kubosh moved that rules be suspended for the purpose of moving Earl Thomas after Chyna Gragg on the one (1) minute Non-Agenda List of Speakers and Seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye nays none. **MOTION 2023-0050 ADOPTED**

#2 - EARL THOMAS – 5511 Mitchelldale St. – 77092 – 281-782-8127 – JR Roofing Co./Chyna Gragg.

CHRISTINA GONZALES – 13319 Crim Rd. – 77049 – 713-614-2269 – Trash pickup. NOT PRESENT

#3 - MARIN SLANINA – 1710 W. 18th St. – 77008 – 832-622-4742 - Break-in issues to small businesses.

#4 - LINDSAY BURLESON – 4501 Stanford Dr. – 77006 – 832-858-1445 – Break-in issues to small businesses.

BRENDA MURCHINSON-HAWKINS – 3106 Webster St. – 77004 – 713-650-8510 – Fireworks. **NOT PRESENT**

CARL DUCENA – 7050 Brookhollow West Dr. – 77040 - 646-397-6522 – Texas Miss Amazing Event. **NOT PRESENT**

ERMA FRENCH – 5127 Kingsbury St. – 77021 – 832-816-8412 – No trash pickup/Recycling not picked up. **NOT PRESENT**

PAULA GRAVES – 307 Oriole St. – 77018 – 832-683-7044 – Encroachment of my property by the City. **NOT PRESENT**

DEBORAH ELAINE ALLEN – Post Office 263252 – 77207 – 346-260-1574 – May I have my $1400 stimulus check, please?. **NOT PRESENT**

DOUG SMITH – 11542 Sands Point Dr. – 77072 – 832-723-1652 – Good News. **NOT PRESENT**

#5 - QUINTEN McGUIRE – 9702 Sam Houston Pkwy. – Humble, TX – 77396 – 346-328-9272 – Film and TV Initiative.

STEVE WILLIAMS – No Address – No Phone – Pay attention. **NOT PRESENT**

LORENZA BUTLER – 4542 N. Ripple Ridge Dr. – 77053 – 832-880-3733 – Houston Informant Photo Exhibit and Lunar Year. **NOT PRESENT**

#6 - ILY MONTOYA-RIVAS – 9390 FM 1960 Bypass West – Humble, TX – 77338 – 832-795-6272 – Slander.

#7 - BRITTNEY SPALDING – 14504 Briar Forest Dr., Apt. 321 – 77077 – No phone – Resources.

KATHY GUNTER – No Address – 832-882-9775 – Red light/7050 Jay St. **NOT PRESENT**

SARAH BELL-EDWARDS – 14810 Crosswinds Dr., Apt. 401 – 77032 – 409-916-4592 – Citizen abuse. **NOT PRESENT**

For more information and details from the speakers list, please click here: houstontx.new.swagit.com/videos/205917

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

At 10:14 a.m., Council Member Pollard left the meeting.

At 10:44 a.m., Council Members Knox, Kubosh and Plummer left the meeting.

At 10:45 a.m., Council Member Huffman left the meeting.

At 10:46 a.m., Council Member Thomas left the meeting.

At 10:47 a.m., Council Member Alcorn left the meeting.

At 10:48 a.m., Council Member Jackson left the meeting.

There being no further business before Council, the City Council adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

Council Members Jackson, Thomas, Huffman, Pollard, Knox, Kubosh, Plummer and Alcorn absent.

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

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Pat J. Daniel, City Secretary