# City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, April 26, 2016

The Houston City Council convened at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 26, 2016; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Larry Green, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Harlan Heilman, Division Chief, Claims & Subrogation Division; Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present. Council Member Greg Travis absent on city business and Council Member Mike Knox absent on personal business.

At 1:36 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting of City Council to order and stated that the first order of business was the presentation portion. Council Members Stardig and Robinson absent.

Mayor Turner stated that there were 3 presentations for this Council Meeting but he believes that Council Member Davis would like to do a fourth, so if there were no objections he would allow him to do the 4<sup>th</sup> and hearing no objects, there would be a fourth.

Council Member Le stated it was he honor and privileged to introduced to Members of Council, Ms. Thu-Cuc Thi Le; she had been a strong support in the community and his family had known her for the past 25 years and they have a joke in their family because his Uncle came over from Vietnam to visit and some of their friends were trying to get them together but that did not work out but he always calls her his Aunt; she was a Naturalist and a Herbalists to help the community and for over a quarter of a century, Thu-Cuc Thi Le has dedicated her time, energy and talent to serve people in need, especially those in the Vietnamese-American community, to make Houston a better place to live and was a pioneer in innovative neuroreflexology treatments and currently provides services to our veterans and the sick and elderly in our community, often without charge; and since arriving in the United States, Thu-Cuc Thi Le remains a firm believer in the fundamentals of freedom, democracy, and human rights as demonstrated by her tireless engagement through volunteer efforts, donations and contributions to events supporting these ideals throughout the United States; on April 25, 2016 Thu-Cuc Thi Le's will celebrate her 26<sup>th</sup> year as a United States citizen and the City of Houston congratulates Thu-Cuc Thi Le on this auspicious occasion and extends best wishes on a memorable celebration and therefore Mayor Turner proclaimed April 25, 2016 as Thu-Cuc Thi Le Day in Houston Texas. Council Member Stardig absent.

Council Member Boykins stated he would like to present a proclamation on behalf of Cancer Action Network; colorectal cancer is a major public health problem, it is the second leading cause of cancer death and a cause of considerable suffering among more than 140,000 adults diagnosed with colorectal cancer each year and can be detected early at a curable stage, and it can be prevented through the detection and removal of precancerous polyps; and American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network stands united in the belief that it can eliminate colorectal cancer as a major public health problem and the organizations provide national capacity screening technologies and effective local models for delivering the continuum of care in a more organized fashion and the organizations share a commitment to eliminating disparities in access to care. As such, the organizations work to empower communities, patients, providers, community health centers and health systems to embrace these models and develop the needed partnerships to deliver quality colorectal cancer screening and follow up care; and, on April 26, 2016, Cancer Action Network will be honored for their continued efforts to reach 80 percent screened for colorectal cancer by 2018; and the City of Houston commends Cancer Action Network for their commitment to help all inflicted by colorectal cancer and educating and

spreading awareness to Houstonians about colorectal cancer and extends best wishes for a successful observance and therefore Mayor Turner proclaimed April 26, 2016 as Cancer Action Network Day in Houston Texas. Council Member Le absent.

Council Member Gallegos stated each year in the U.S., nearly 4,700 workers die on the job through traumatic injuries such as electrocutions, roof falls or being struck by a piece of equipment. An estimated 50,000 U.S. workers die from work-related diseases, such as lung cancer, leukemia and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and during 2015, 61 workers in the greater Houston area died on the job from traumatic work-related injuries due to a variety of causes, including electrocutions, roof falls, heat stroke, asphyxiations and being struck by equipment. The victims of work-related fatalities included construction workers, landscapers, roofers, firefighters and law enforcement officers, all between the ages of 18 to 78; most work related fatalities, injuries and illnesses can be prevented if safety hazards are controlled, proper protections are used and regulations are followed and on April 28, 2016, Workers Memorial Day will be observed as an international day of remembrance and action for workers who died on the job, or suffered disabilities, injuries or illnesses from their jobs and the City of Houston encourages all citizens to join in observance of Workers Memorial Day, remembering those who died on the job and extending support for those who suffered disabilities, injuries or illnesses due to work, and their families, and extends best wishes on a memorable observance for all and therefore Mayor Turner proclaimed April 28, 2016 as Cancer Action Network Day in Houston Texas. Council Member Le absent.

Council Member Davis stated that he thanked Council for allowing him this opportunity to present proclamations to some special people and invited them up the podium and stated this was a group of special people, when you normal by hear first responders, they think about people in uniforms and the people behind him were their first responders that they had in the Greenpoint area last Monday; as everyday first responders risk their own safety in the performance of their duties to protect citizens, they were first and best defense against all emergencies that threaten their communities, first responders were highly trained, specialized workers who contribute their special skills for the public good and often for no pay and were ready to aid the residents of Houston 24 hours a day 7 days a week; when he was out in the Northeast area and then he went to the Acres homes area and then when got to the Greenspoint area and this crew behind him were already in action and they appreciate them and had been singing that praise for a week and he brought them before Members of Council so he could brag about them and therefore Mayor Turner proclaimed April 26, 2016 as First Responders Day in Houston Texas.

Council Member Laster recognized Former Council Member Kahn from District F and stated he currently serves as the President of Islamic Society of Greater Houston and he was joined by a number of his colleagues and a presented a check to Mayor Turner from the Islamic Community for the Houston Storm Relief Fund. Council Members Davis, Martin and Christie.

At 2:24 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Laster for the invocation and he invited Former Council Member Kahn to the podium for the invocation and Council Member Laster led the pledge of alliance.

At 2:27 p.m. the roll was called. Council Member Martin absent. Council Member Greg Travis absent on city business and Council Member Mike Knox absent on personal business.

Council Member Kubosh moved to adopt previous minutes from April 12- April 13, 2016 and the April 19- April 20, 2016 and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **MOTION ADOPTED** 

Council Member Cohen would like to recognize Members of the Houston Association of Retired Teacher who joined them today for City Council.

Mayor Turner requested that the City Secretary read the Emergency Item.

**NOTICE** is hereby given of the following Special Emergency Item to be considered by the City Council of the City of Houston at the City Chamber, Second Floor, City Hall, 901 Bagby, Houston, Texas, for the purpose of considering the following:

**ORDINANCE** authorizing the Mayor of Houston to extend or continue a proclamation of a local state of disaster for the City of Houston beyond the seven day period after the proclamation was issued; making certain findings related thereto; and declaring an emergency.was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0326 ADOPTED** 

Council Member Kubosh moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Mr. Mike Sullivan and Ms. Tomaro Bell out of order and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **MOTION 2016-0200 ADOPTED** 

Council Member Green moved that the rules suspended for the purpose of hearing Ms. Thelma Scott and Ms. Danielle Kerlegan out of order and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **MOTION 2016-0201 ADOPTED** 

Council Member Cisneros moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of hearing Mr. Zack Levitt out of order and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **MOTION 2016-0202 ADOPTED** 

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

Mr. Mike Sullivan, 1001 Preston Street, 77002, (713)274-8002 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated he was elected Tax Collector three and a half vears ago after serving five years as a City Council Member and reviewed the experience he had and wanted to talk about that besides collecting for Harris County, he also collect for the City of Houston and the City of Houston was their largest client, Houston ISD, HCC and about 70 other jurisdictions but while he was tax assessor collector, he does not set value or appraisals and it was important to note that nothing could be further from the truth; his role as an assessor was to take the HCAD certified roll, apply all appropriate exemptions and then apply the adopted tax rate and then mail them out the bills, he collects the taxes and transfers them to the City of Houston on a regular basis; he heard some of the discussion here last week that he was part of the problem with property tax refunds for commercial properties and let him address that and that he had to approve and pay all legal refunds, he was required to do that, he does not get to choose who gets the refund and as Mayor Turner said last week these larger commercial refunds are the result of litigation which means a court either ruled for or approved a settlement and he had to emphasize that he processes refunds when the Court tells him to and if he does not process the refunds in a timely matter, they would have to pay an interest penalty which comes out of both of their pockets, for every refund dollar returned to the City of Houston that was a refund dollar returned from Harris County and other jurisdictions that he collects for and when collections were strong they both benefit and when collections fall they both suffer and a being longtime advocate for the taxpayer, he realized why he took this Office that there was so much information on homeowners and could protest their appraisals and he set up an annual Property Tax Workshops throughout the City and County, he partnered with schools, universities, neighborhood centers and other just to put these Workshops on and he was proud

to say that they had gone from 12 workshops a year to 20 workshops this year, if they look at the hand out that he handed out, they can see it all over the county and several City District, they hold these Workshops during the day, in the evening and even on the weekend and they were both in Spanish and English, he also conducted annual workshops for nonprofit organization so they can be sure they had all the exemptions that they were entitled too and he also had passed out a copy of his letter to the Houston Chronicle. Council Members Stardig and Martin absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Sullivan.

Mayor Turner stated that the information he had, the cases were in the hundreds that were still in the pipeline and he looked forward to talking and meeting with him in the future especially as it relates to people that were affected by the flood and how they can address their own appraisal.

Ms. Tomaro Bell, 3248 Charleston St., 77021, (713)825-8449 appeared and stated in February they removed from the Housing budget, the single home repair program which was about to expire and moved it to Public Facilities and she gathered that Members of Council felt they did not have time to spend it and so they did that which was fine but with the new budget coming out for 2016, there was nothing online for single family home repair, which was desperately needed going back to even before the flooding they just had, they still have people who have blue tarps, especially in Sunnyside and Third Ward from IKE and she was really disturbed that she does not see any item for single family home repair and someone from Housing called her today and it really upset her by telling her that the Single Family Home repair would be coming out of TIRZ since TIRZ were not used for private property and then went on to tell her that there were four Public Hearings on Housing and if she had a problem, she should have come and spoken to them, nobody tells her when and she did not even know this person but she wanted to come here to tell Members of Council that there was in despite need for single family home repair and she wanted to know where the money was coming from because it cannot be coming from TIRZ, so she does not see that line item in Mayor Turner's 2016 budget and what they just went through. Council Member Martin absent.

Mayor Turner stated that they were just working on the allocation for 2017 as they move forward and single family home repair were very high priorities of this Administration and he had told Housing and Community Development that Single Family Home Repair and single Family Housing were priorities of his and he knows what this Administration priorities were and requested for her to simply allow them time to work through the 2017 budget and the allocation coming from the Community Development funding grants, the CDBG funding, she would see how it related to Single Family Homes, Single Family Home Repair and those were priorities of his.

Ms. Thelma Scott, 15331 Kuyendahl No.1201, 77090, (832)654-2737 appeared and stated she was the Founder of Barbara Jordan Endeavors for Students with Disability and she was present to request the support from Members of Council and invited them to their amazing event that they would be having June 5, 2016 and it was going to be a celebration because this was their last year after 15 years of being at Barbara Jordan High School, they would be moving their program to Wheatley High School to work with kids with disabilities, so they were inviting them to come out and help them celebrate with their 15 students and this year would be their first year to provide a scholarship for Yates, Sterling, Madison and Furr; they provide scholarship for students that just make a 2.0 and no one gives a scholarship for just having the courage to graduate from High School with a disability, they go through so much, they go

through bullying and just to tell these kids they were proud of them and what they had accomplished because in 2011 they lost one of their students with disability at Barbara Jordan High School from suicide the goal was to keep her legacy alive and their main goal was to reduce the dropout rate and suicide of students with disabilities throughout school districts and has students and their families that lost everything in the flood and she really trying to push hard to get those students into college because they have nothing else and again she was requesting their support. Council Members Martin and Kubosh absent.

Council Member Boykins stated that last year he made a \$500 dollar donation which he would do it again.

Ms. Danielle Kerlegan, 12622, Ridgelow Ln., 77070, (832)888-0582 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Martin and Kubosh absent.

Ms. Annette Ryskala, 2424 Sakowittz St., No.A205, 77020, (281)318-8790 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Martin and Kubosh absent.

Mr. Jonathan C.C. Day, 624 Highland St., 77009, (832)368-5500 appeared and stated that he was present about the LED street light again and he was requesting that Members of Council to pause installation during Centerpoint testing of a new series of lights, that include a lower watt bulb in that testing and to hire an independent Engineer to advise the City on this complex topic and just a brief reminder what was a predominant light was manufactured by Cree and it was a 45 Watt light bulb and had two problems, one was the color and they advocate 3,000 instead of 4,000 which was warmer color and it was too much light, they were wasting a lot of money and they were over lighting the area; they had made progress as he mentioned, one of the Independent Lighting Engineer out in Arizona had turn them to this RSW even Centerpoint could not find it was in the market in March and Centerpoint had agreed to test the 50 Watt version and these were cheaper than the current ones they were already installing and they hope in the future, he had given them a report that was prepared by Davis, the California Lighting Engineer who said they can even go down to a 30 Watt and reduce the electricity by one third which was millions of dollars over the life of this project, so again they were requesting that they pause the installation and to include the 30 Watt and to hire an Engineer. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Day.

Mayor Turner stated that a memo that came to him on April 22, 2016 from the ARA, Centerpoint had agreed based on a recommendations from the National Lighting Experts in other cities they were going to test the 50 watt version now but they were not testing the 30 Watts but the deployment continues as they were testing the 50 Watt.

Ms. Deborah Moran, 5615 Grape St., 77096, (713)774-0924 appeared and stated they need to request again that what they were requesting for was not just a money saver but a money saver that was also the best quality lighting and today she brought in reports about crimes and that Los Angeles put in a very bright 4,000k lighting, at first they saw a slight decrease in crime and in 2015 they have a very strong spike in crime so the notion that the lightest lighting was a panacea for crime was not correct; Colorado Springs had cut back on some of its lighting few years ago to save money now, there were problems of safety but they had zero crime difference and she was not recommending that they have less lighting that people were comfortable with, recommending the most comfortable lighting; the adverse effects

the lighting was one woman said she had to pull over on the street because of the migraine she was developing and if they see a stretch of these lights like on Stella Link where they were just installed and for a short driver like her, even with the visor folded down she cannot get the glare of the lights out of her view and all the time she drives at night it cuts out her ability to see hazards ahead, they want a good quality of light and the 30 Watt was actually more than adequate and the 30 Watt was one third brighter than necessary and even more brighter than necessary in between the lights, the light that they chose was the 19 Watts which was the color that was in here. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent.

Ms. Beth Lousteau, 316 Golenrod St., 77009, (713)806-0762 appeared and stated she was a resident of the near North side and she was glad to hear that Mayor Turner express his commitment to single family housing, as she was here along with several of her neighbors from at least three surrounding neighborhoods and they were here today to communicate their concerns of the White Oak Music Hall development, there were many pieces of the 6,000 person plus venue in various stages of competition, they had prepared and shared in advance of this meeting some background information on this project; they began meeting with the developers in July 2014 when they first became aware of the plans which was nowhere near the scale they see today and from day one they were concerned with the outdoor venue and was on the record with those concerns, they had been assured by the developer in the almost two years they been meeting and that their concerns were understood and they been operating in good faith since; the outdoor venue held its first concert on April 9, 2016, it was a sold out show of 3,000 and this took place in spite of the fact that no certificate of occupancy had been shown for this vast ticketed improved space; they had been told at best by the developers exploited a loop hole in the Ordinance and this was the first of 30 special events in the first year alone with more thereafter, how can this be and furthermore no one had been able to tell them which Department issued this Special Event that everyone keeps talking about, it was not the City Building Permitting Office, it was not the Mayor Special Event Office and what was making the matters worse was this temporary arrangement can go on indefinitely and in the next month alone there were four sold out shows and she would hand out information to Members of Council and developers misinformation was all they had to go on because no one was in charge of this, correction, the developer was in charge, there was no oversight and they were also told that the Fire Marshall would be involved at this special event and the day after the event the Fire Marshall confirmed that they did have any involvement at this event and that these occupancy numbers were ever changing and not being communicated. Council Members Boykins and Martin absent.

Mayor Turner stated that this was placed on his desk early this week and he intend to take a look at this and have his own Chief of Staff to take an in-depth look at what the situation was out there and to reach some type of medium but he does know that they were absolutely correct, people had taken advantage of a loophole that does exists because they operate with a certificate of occupancy and based on the information he had received, the certificate of occupancy would be given until July 1, 2016 and at point in time the City can certainly enforce all the parking requirements and let his Chief of Staff and all the Stakeholders work this out.

Ms. Kerrie Whitehead, 207 Jessamine St., 77009, (713)703-0002 appeared and stated she was a resident of the Near Northside and would pick up where Beth left off and she thinks it was important that they fully communicate their concerns, prior to the event in various meetings and in lengthy e-mail conversation was the Planning Department, Public Works, Traffic, the Mayor's Office and Council Member Cisneros Office, they determined they did in fact went forward through the normal permitting channels, those conversation and countless hours of planning, efforts and organization were completely ignored and they were not sure why; the

alternative way forward had led to no oversight as far as they can tell, they need the political will of the City to force this development through those channels and these were spelled out very clearly in the Code Enforcement Ordinances and these rules were in place to protect not just their neighborhood but every neighborhood; the venue did obtain a sound permit which allows them to go up to 75 decibels until 11:00 p.m. on the weekends and the event organizers did violate that throughout the April 9, 2016 concert, it rattled windows more than five blocks away and they fear that future concerts maybe even louder, so this venue's business model either relies on the sound somehow being all but stopped at the edge of the property or it relies on violating the Sound Ordinance every time they have a concert; they were not anti-development and they understand that the area was right for development but the developers decision to routinely plan to play host to 3,000 people in an outdoor setting for amplified concerts at night in a spot surrounded by homes was problematic and they were not reasonable people. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin and Green absent.

Mayor Turner and Members of Council questioned Ms. Whitehead.

Mr. Marcus Greenspan, no address, no phone, appeared and stated a second component of this venue was a repurposed metal warehoused that was essentially an outdoor venue, giant holes were cut in it making it now an open air metal pavilion, it has a 600 person occupancy and holds approximately four shows a week and violating the Sound Ordinance each time and this cut out design intentional or not had resulted in the structure behaving like a drum, amplifying the sound at all directions and when they received their hand outs, they can refer to the pictures with: neighborhoods on all sides of the venue and had previously organized and taken steps available to protect themselves by opting in to additional regulations allowed by the City Code, they did this in the form of minimum lot size and they did everything they could to protect their neighborhood and now they need the City to help by enforcing its minimum standards, the Sound Ordinance was in place to protect the community, not to be bent with developer's flawed business model, they were not an anti-development and they were not unreasonable people, no one would be excited about a 3,000 person or more amplified theater coming into their quiet neighborhood and much less one that was not even complying with the minimum standards set forth by the City; recently more than 35 people attended a neighborhood meeting and all of them felt vulnerable and concerns that this venue would muscle its way into not having to comply with the City Code Ordinances that were in place to protect the health, safety and well-being for everyone; they would like help from the City, one, track down and provide them with the Special Event Permit that was issued on April 9, 2016 for the event and the Regulations or Ordinances for these along with the Departments and persons that were responsible for them and two, ensure the Developers must go through all the normal channels in required them to have Certificate of Occupancy before operating this large venue and three, identify if this loop hole does exists and if this does exists work to close the loop hole and require the developers to provide a realistic plan to limit and monitor the outdoor and indoor sound. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Green absent.

Mayor Turner stated that the Super Neighborhood was supportive of the project and they wanted it.

Mayor Turner and Members of Council questioned Mr. Greenspan.

Mr. Zack Levitt, 212 Cosmos, 77009, (713)818-9815 appeared and stated he was present to speak about the White Oak Music Hall and the impact it was already having in his neighborhood; several years back he lived 7 houses down Fitzgerald and he brought a house on a street of a night club, the night club was there first and he knew the down fall of that but the

situation of the White Oak Music Hall had put his community in was different, they had invaded their small quiet neighborhood that was bordered by historic cemetery and to come in and build a 3,000 plus person music venue and from the beginning he and his neighbors had been very vocal about their concerns and had communicated that they would use every legal means to ensure the Music Hall does not change for the worse; they would not stop doing everything in to employ the City Council and for HPD to do what they ethnically were bound to do if they were not obeying the laws and obtaining proper permits; on April 9<sup>th</sup> the music shook his house and the music scared his dogs to the point they were hiding in spots, he called the Police that night and filed a report with his name and his girlfriend did as well and they could not sleep because of the loud music and the police did not have a working sound measuring equipment and that the venue does not have a Certificate of Occupancy and yet the show goes on and please help them maintain the quality of life they cherish and they had asked and will continue to be vocal until they were heard. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Martin, Laster and Kubosh absent.

Ms. Latasha Williams, P.O. Box 91359, 77291, (463)602-0645 appeared and stated several months ago which was September, her son had two surgery and recently one of the Metro Lift ladies told her to come up here to speak to the Mayor and who can she commute with about emergency housing because she had to leave her house because of her sons situation and they were staying in a 3 story home, she did call housing and they told her that there was no assistance, the Social Worker at Texas Children had been looking for them but there was no assistance for her end and he goes to Texas Children every day. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster and Kubosh absent.

Mayor Turner questioned Ms. Williams and advised her to speak with Mayor's Citizen Assistance and they would help her.

Ms. Arleen Sharpe, 5739 North Ridge Dr., 77033, (713)734-8273 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin, Laster and Kubosh absent.

Mr. Lamarcus Perkins, SR., 12101 Fondren Rd., 77035, (214)586-7113 appeared and stated that he had come up with a design for the flooding system in Houston and it was called water bag system; what the water bag system does was it entails all the water that was in the area and it sucks it up into the bag, it would hold it and maintain it if necessary and it can be moved to another location, through all the lines that were hooked up; with intersections all they have to do was drop a line up it would keep that intersection dry and on 59 were it floods there they can put two lines there, it would hold the water into the bayou area and maintain all the flooding from existing areas, they can put these in a field, it can stop rushing water and they would be able to put this in a massive capacity to stop the water and that was the bottom line. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin, Laster and Robinson absent.

Mr. Andrew Vacek, 13119 Oakwood St., 77061, (832)283-2253 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated about 15 years ago on his first trip to Downtown, he was a victim of a crime, he pulled into a parking lot paid the attendant that flagged him in there and when he returned, his truck was gone a presume stolen but that was not the case, it was towed for none payment of parking and the person that he paid was a bum that scamed him and at that time he was younger and did not know any better and he looked official to him with the receipts, the name badge, the vest and everything else that they had and after paying nearly \$400 dollars to get his truck back, he was confused and frustrated that he was robbed and had to pay so much money because of that; fast forward 15 years, he now comes down to Downtown almost every day and works as a Parking Enforcement Agent for vehicle

immobilization, he personally booted and recovered parking fees for thousands of vehicles and as they could imagine he was not very liked around here, he takes pride in his job in knowing that he had recovered tens of thousands of dollars and otherwise lost revenues for these business and the reason he was present today was because nothing had changed over the last 15 years other than most companies booted now instead of towing, he was on the front lines and still see people getting robbed in Downtown every day, his estimation was 20 to 25 people were falling victim to this large unreported crime on a daily basis, HPD does regulate and license them and parking lot operators however, catching and arresting these thieves was almost nonexistent and when Constables do catch these guys and one rare occasion when they do, they get locked up overnight and get timed served and on the very next morning they were out there and these was becoming more and more of a public safety issue for the citizen and visitors of this great city. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Robinson absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Vacek.

Mr. William Beal, 4718 Boicewood St., 77016, (713)672-7571 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Robinson absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Ms. Deborah Elaine Allen, 12000 Martin Luther King, No. 2059, 77048, (713)264-0127 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Robinson absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mr. Joe Jordan, 14173 Northwest Frwy, No.166, 77040, (713)680-3181 appeared presented information and stated that it was heartening to see all the awards that were given to people that helped with the floods and it was good to see the Mayor out in Greenspoint area helping the flood victims and the one company that did not act as a good citizenship and that was UBER and he had presented information that was documented evidence, it was sent to all UBER drivers, all 14,000 of them and advising them to take advantage of the situation and price gouging during a Natural Emergency, UBER had thousands of unlicensed drivers in Houston and during these events they bring thousands of drivers from Austin and Dallas that were not getting temporary permits and now UBER had two handicapped vehicles that they were operating, the drivers have not been finger printed and there were highly illegal things that were going on at UBER and they were not a good citizen and the licensed companies that were following the rules would like Members of Council to look into that and to see if they can do something about it and when he was present last, it seemed like everyone was for it and now he hopes they see they were not good citizens and if they want to stay here they should have to follow the rules like everyone else does. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Robinson absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Jordan.

Mr. Steve Williams, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Robinson absent.

Ms. Natasha Chambers, 2523 Alemenar Circle, 77038, (713)483-0074 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig, Davis, Boykins, Martin and Robinson absent.

Mr. Andrew Gallagher, 7711 Southmeadow Dr., 77071, (713)721-3266 appeared and stated he was a retired Civil Engineer and lived in Houston since 1983 and he was recruited by an engineering company to work on the Greens Bayou Flood Study back in 1983 and he just wanted to talk about flooding and it being a historic flood and he wanted to be on recorded that it was not a historical flood, it was one of the last eight to ten floods that happened, the other thing when talking about a Flooding Czar which he actually was one from 1985 to 1993, he worked as the Manager of the Storm Sewer Engineering Section for the City of Houston and the whole point of him coming here today to tell the Mayor he was trying to do a good job and many of the other Mayors actually did what he did, his big point was that the City of Houston and Flood Control have studied these bayous many of times and the financial commitment had never been there and for seven years of his life he had to write complaint letters, answer people questions on why things happen and it was a hard thing to do and actual honesty was that Houston had not really made any kind of really strides for improving flooding, the only area that had been taken care of was the SIMS bayou drainage system; Greens, White Oak had been ignored and many of the areas cry out for money, and at the time he had the job he was the only registered Professional Engineer working at the City of Houston that was directly related to drainage and they did about \$125 million dollars' worth of projects in a five year bond and the actually needs were probably about 5 times as much and they did help certain amount of neighborhoods. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin and Robinson absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Gallagher.

Mr. Joshua Taylor, no address, no phone, appeared and stated he was here with his colleagues and they were here on behalf of the African American Reform Society and they were all Texas Southern students and the issue that he had was systematic and racial bias within the Police Department and in Houston they might not see it in the news as much as they do in other cities but there was systematic and racial bias in their communities and in the Police Department, he had a personal story he could tell but he was running short on time and the solution he would like to put on the table by implementing cultural diverse courses within the Police Department. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin and Robinson absent.

Members of Council question Mr. Taylor.

President Joseph Charles, Post Office Box 524373, 77052-4373, Houston, TX, appeared and requested more time and stated his subject was absolute Marshal Law, Salaries, Revoked, H/City, Texas/State, and Government Systems and continued to voice his personal experiences until his time expired. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin and Robinson absent. Council Member Green presiding. **NO QUORUM** 

<u>Note:</u> 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 4:18 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 27, 2016, Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Davis, Cohen, Boykins, Martin and Robinson absent. Council Member Greg Travis absent on city business and Council Member Mike Knox absent on personal business. Council Member Green presiding. **NO QUORUM** 

At 8:33 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, April 27, 2016, Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, -Karla Cisneros, Mike Laster, Robert Gallegos, Larry Green, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Ms. Donna Edmundson, City Attorney and Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director and Stella Ortega Agenda Office present. Council Member Greg Travis absent on city business.

At 9:17 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting order and recognized Council Member Cohen for a motion.

Council Member Cohen moved that the rules be suspended for the purpose of considering Items 1-7 out of order and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Knox absent. **MOTION 2016-0203 ADOPTED** 

1. **CONFIRMATION** of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the **ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for the remainder of a two year term that will end December 31, 2017:

Position 1 - DR. STEPHEN CHMAITELLI, appointment

Position 2 - DR. CHRISTOPHER SOUDERS, reappointment

Position 3 - **SALISE SHUTTLESWORTH**, appointment

Position 4 - ANGELA MADEKSHOW, appointment-

was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Knox absent. **MOTION 2016-0204 ADOPTED** 

- 2. CONFIRMATION of the appointment of HAROLD "AL" ODOM to Position Four, as the City of Houston Representative of the HARRIS COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS, for the remainder of a two year term that will end December 31, 2017- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Knox absent. MOTION 2016-0205 ADOPTED
- 3. **CONFIRMATION** of the reappointment of the following individuals to the **HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for terms that will end March 1, 2018:

Position 10 - ANN COLLUM

Position 12 - CHARLES STAVA-

was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Knox absent. **MOTION 2016-0206 ADOPTED** 

- 4. CONFIRMATION of the reappointment of KAMAL RASHEED to Position Four, of the WASTEWATER CAPACITY RESERVATION REVIEW BOARD, for the remainder of the designated two year term that will end March 1, 2018- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Knox absent. MOTION 2016-0207 ADOPTED
- 5. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment of the following individuals to the **MILLER THEATRE ADVISORY BOARD**:

Position One - ALISON ELIZABETH GREENE, for a term to expire 4/24/2018

Position Two - **JAMES T. CAMPBELL**, for a term to expire 4/24/2019

Position Three - **ROBIN KLAES**, for a term to expire 4/24/2019

Position Four - RANDOLPH WILLIAM "RANDY" MCKINNEY, II, for a term to expire

4/24/2017

Position Five - NIKKI P. HILL, for a term to expire 4/24/2018 Position Fourteen - BRIAN D. JEWETT, for a term to expire 4/24/2019-

was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Laster, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Knox absent. MOTION 2016-0208 ADOPTED

6. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER ONE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Position Four - **RANDY SIM**, for a term to expire 12/31/2016

Position Five - WILLIAM G. HUTZ, for a term to expire 12/31/2016, and to serve as Chair

for a term ending 12/31/2016

Position Six - **SUZANNE PAGE-PRYDE**, for a term to expire 12/31/2017

Position Seven - MICHELLE BOWER ALVARADO, for a term to expire 12/31/2017 Position Eight - STUART ROBEN KENSINGER, for a term to expire 12/31/2017

Position Nine - **STEVE ROCHELLE**, for a term to expire 12/31/2017-

was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2016-0209 ADOPTED

7. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the appointment or reappointment of the following individuals to the ST. GEORGE PLACE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Position One - BERZIN BHANDARA, (State Senator, District 7 appointee), for a term to

expire 12/31/2016

Position Two - FRANK DONNELLY, III (State Representative, District 137 appointee),

for a term to expire 12/31/2016

- RANDY SIM, for a term to expire 12/31/2016 Position Four

- WILLIAM G. HUTZ, for a term to expire 12/31/2016, and to serve as Chair Position Five

for a term ending 12/31/2016

- **SUZANNE PAGE-PRYDE**, for a term to expire 12/31/2017 Position Six

Position Seven - MICHELLE BOWER ALVARADO, for a term to expire 12/31/2017 Position Eight - STUART ROBEN KENSINGER, for a term to expire 12/31/2017

- STEVE ROCHELLE, for a term to expire 12/31/2017-Position Nine

was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member

Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2016-0210 ADOPTED

At 9:34 a.m. Mayor Turner stated that the next Item, the monthly financial report and invited Chris Brown and Kelly Dowe to the podium.

## REPORT FROM CITY CONTROLLER AND THE CITY ADMINISTRATION REGARDING

THE CURRENT FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE CITY including but not limited to, revenue, expenditure and encumbrance report for the General Fund, all special revenue funds and all enterprise funds, and a report on the status of bond funds- was presented,

Mr. Chris Brown, City Controller and Mr. Kelley Dowe, Director of Finance reviewed the Monthly Operation and Financial Report and Mr. Brown reviewed the Quarterly Investment Report; copies of which are on file in the City Secretary's office for review.

Council Member Christie moved to accept the monthly financial report and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **MOTION 2016-0211** 

At 9:44 a.m. Mayor Turner presented to the Mayor's Report.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Turner presented the Preliminary Budget Summary of General Funds for the Fiscal Year 2017 to Members of Council and advised them to look closely at the Executive Summary and reviewed and discussed the Preliminary Budget with Members of Council.

Members of Council questioned Mayor Turner at length.

Council Member Le recognized the 6<sup>th</sup> Students Council from Alief ISD and requested them to stand up to be recognized.

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to thank all Houstonians who stepped up this past week and half in addressing the needs in this City and now there were two priorities since the flooding they were providing temporary or permanent housing, moving people from the shelters to temporary housing; the other was on clean up and 20 Solid Waste trucks were deployed in moving the debris for public health safety reasons.

Mayor Turner invited Dr. Persse to give an update on the Zika Virus, mosquitos and their breeding grounds and was questioned by Members of Council.

Council Member Davis requested the YES Prep North Forest Student Government Body who were present and be recognized.

At 11:21 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the Consent Agenda.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 8 through 37**

### **ACCEPT WORK** - NUMBERS 8 through 13

- 8. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Houston Airport System for approval of final cost of \$151,510,136.22 and acceptance of work on contract with **CLARK CONSTRUCTION GROUP TEXAS**, **LP** for Terminal and Central Concourse Expansion at William P. Hobby Airport 0.7% under the original contract amount **DISTRICT I GALLEGOS** the City Secretary advised that Item 8 had been pulled by the Administration and would not be considered.
- 10. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$1,701,958.75 and acceptance of work on contract with TEXAS REEXCAVATION, L.C. for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal 0.56% under the original contract amount (4235-53)- was presented, moved by Council Member

Cohen and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **MOTION 2016-0212 ADOPTED** 

- 11. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$3,067,767.03 and acceptance of work on contract with **PM CONSTRUCTION & REHAB, LLC,** for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal 0.84% under the original contract amount (4235-54) was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **MOTION 2016-0213 ADOPTED**
- 12. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$3,060,914.82 and acceptance of work on contract with PM CONSTRUCTION & REHAB, LLC, for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal 1.03% under the original contract amount (4235-59)- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. MOTION 2016-0214 ADOPTED
- 13. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$10,408,655.13 and acceptance of work on contract with REYTEC CONSTRUCTION RESOURCES, INC for Reconstruction of Brittmoore from Hammerly Blvd. to Clay Road 0.18% under the original contract amount <u>DISTRICT A STARDIG</u>- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. MOTION 2016-0215 ADOPTED

#### **PROPERTY** - NUMBERS 14 and 15

- 14. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering, reviewed and approved by the Joint Referral Committee, on request from Magdalena Posada, on behalf of Rodolfo Posada, declining the acceptance of, rejecting, and refusing the dedication of West Virginia Avenue, from Luna Street east to its terminus located within the Sycamore Heights of Nordling Estates Subdivision, out of the Houston and Texas Central Railway Survey, Section 7, Block 1, Parcel SY16-016 <u>DISTRICT H CISNEROS</u>- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Christie, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. MOTION 2016-0216 ADOPTED
- 15. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering to purchase Parcel AY15-057, located at 2829 Timmons Lane, owned by Park Saint John Condominium Association, Inc., (Dalton DeHart, President), for the **WEST ALABAMA PAVING AND DRAINAGE PROJECT from Weslayan Street to Buffalo Speedway <u>DISTRICT C COHEN</u> was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Christie, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. <b>MOTION 2016-0217 ADOPTED**

## **ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 19 through 37

19. ORDINANCE appropriating \$601,250 out of Airports Improvement Fund and approving and authorizing License Agreement between the City of Houston and MARRIOTT HOTEL SERVICES, INC for Office Space at the Houston Airport Marriott for IAH Terminal Redevelopment Program Program Management Office Personnel (Project No. 821A) - <u>DISTRICT B – DAVIS</u>- was

presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0327 ADOPTED** 

- 20. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing agreement for Legal Services between the City of Houston and **BRACEWELL**, **LLP** for representation of the City in connection with the litigation against Genuine Parts Co. d/b/a Napa Auto Parts- the City Secretary advised that Item 20 had been pulled by the Administration and would not be considered.
- 28. **ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **MEDORA ENVIRONMENTAL**, **INC dba SOLAR BEE**, **INC** for Maintenance and Support Services of Solar Powered Water Circulation Equipment for the Houston Department of Public Works and Engineering; providing a maximum contract amount 3 Years with two one-year options \$352,038.00 Enterprise Fund- the City Secretary advised that Item 28 had been pulled by the Administration and would not be considered.
- 30. **ORDINANCE** calling public hearings at which interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard on: a Strategic Partnership Agreement between the City of Houston and **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 525** and on proposals for the City of Houston to annex for limited purposes certain territory located within such district in Harris County; a proposed amendment to a Strategic Partnership Agreement between the City of Houston and **REID ROAD MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1** and on proposals for the City of Houston to annex for limited purposes certain territory located within such district in Harris County; proposals of the City of Houston to impose the City of Houston's sales and use tax in such territory; providing for the publication of notice of such hearings- the City Secretary advised that Item 30 had been pulled by the Administration and would not be considered.
- 32. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$750,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF; approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **VAN DE WIELE & VOGLER, INC** for Negotiated Work Orders for Pre-Engineering of Local Streets Improvements- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0328 ADOPTED**
- 34. **ORDINANCE** granting to **ALL TEX RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL, 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. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0329 PASSED FIRST READING IN FULL**
- 35. ORDINANCE No. 2016-310, passed first reading April 20, 2016
  ORDINANCE granting to METRO GREASE SERVICE LLC, A Texas Limited Liability Company, 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 SECOND READING- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL

- 36. ORDINANCE No. 2016-311, passed first reading April 20, 2016
  ORDINANCE granting to CLEAN HARBORS ENV. SERVICES, INC, A Massachusetts
  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

  SECOND READING- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent.

  PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL
- 37. **ORDINANCE** No. 2016-312, passed first reading April 20, 2016
  ORDINANCE granting to **GRECYCO**, **A Texas Sole Proprietorship**, 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 **SECOND READING** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL**

## **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

### CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

- 9. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$1,613,968.18 and acceptance of work on contract with CALCO CONTRACTING, LTD., for Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation and Renewal (Force Main) 0.07% over the original contract amount and under the 5% contingency amount (4235-66) DISTRICTS A STARDIG; B DAVIS; C COHEN; D BOYKINS; E MARTIN; F LE; G TRAVIS; H CISNEROS and J LASTER- was presented, moved by Council Member Green and seconded by Council Member Davis, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. MOTION 2016-0218 ADOPTED
- 16. **METRO HOSPITALITY PARTNERS dba CROWNE PLAZA MEDICAL CENTER** for Aging Bridges Conference for the Houston Health Department \$28,796.01 Health Special Revenue Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Davis and tagged by Council Members Kubosh and Le. Council Member Martin absent.
- 17. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing amendment to Professional Services Agreement between the City and **PALCO**, **INC** for Veterinarian Directed Home & Community Based Serviceswas presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0330 ADOPTED**
- 18. **ORDINANCE** making a general appropriation of certain revenues of the City in support of annual budgets for Fiscal Year 2016; authorizing certain transfers, appropriating and transferring \$1,250,000.00 out of Street & Traffic Control and Storm Drainage DDSRF-A Fund and into the Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Fund to reflect interest earned on Capital Funds- was

presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0331 ADOPTED** 

- 21. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing second amendment to Interlocal Agreement between the City and the HARRIS CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND INTELLECTUAL and DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (formerly known as the MENTAL HEALTH MENTAL RETARDATION AUTHORITY OF HARRIS COUNTY or MHMRA), as amended, for the Chronic Consumer Stabilization Initiative Program- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. ORDINANCE 2016-0332 ADOPTED
- 22. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing submission of an application for grant assistance **to the US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** for the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Discretionary Grant Program for the West Houston Bike/Ped Connections to Transit Project; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department to act as the City's representative in the application process, to accept such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the program **DISTRICTS F LE and J LASTER** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0333 ADOPTED**
- 23. **ORDINANCE** amending the City's Master Classification Ordinance (City of Houston Ordinance No. 90-1292, as most recently amended by City of Houston Ordinance No. 2016-0221) to add three new classifications; providing a repealer; providing for severability- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0334 ADOPTED**
- 24. **ORDINANCE** authorizing the sale of surplus vacant lot consisting of approximately 1.7154 acres and located at 8002 Westpark Drive, Houston, Harris County, Texas [Parcel S97-028]; approving and authorizing Marketing Agreement between the City of Houston and **RYLAND ENTERPRISES, INC dba ARVO REALTY ADVISORS, LLC,** for the Marketing and Sale of said lot **DISTRICT F LE** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0335 ADOPTED**
- 25. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing agreement between the City of Houston and **AT&T TEXAS** for Fiber Metro Ethernet Network Connectivity to 44 Houston Public Library and Houston Area Library Automated Network Sites; providing a maximum contract amount 3 Years \$878,328.00 HALAN Fund- was presented and tagged by Council Member Le. Council Member Martin absent.
- 26. **ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **ZAYO GROUP HOLDINGS**, **INC** for Internet Bandwidth Connectivity Services for the Houston Airport System; providing a maximum contract amount 3 Years with two one-year options \$292,500.00 Enterprise Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0336 ADOPTED**
- 27. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2010-640 to Contract No. 4600010374 between the City of Houston and **INDUSTRIAL TX CORPORATION** to increase the maximum contract amount for Maintenance and Repair Services of Sludge Dewatering and Drying Equipment for the Department of Public Works & Engineering \$2,990,878.75 Enterprise Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0337 ADOPTED**

- 29. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$4,702,001.53 out of Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund; awarding contract to **PHYSIO-CONTROL**, **INC** for Defibrillator and Defibrillator Maintenance Services for Various Departments- was presented and tagged by Council Members Kubosh, Le and Christie. Council Member Martin absent.
- 31. ORDINANCE consenting to the addition of 58.146 acres of land to HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 383, for inclusion in its district- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. ORDINANCE 2016-0338 ADOPTED
- 33. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,000,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and approving and authorizing Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **ARCADIS U.S., INC** for Design of Improvements to the infrastructure of the Southeast Water Purification Plant; providing funding for construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund **DISTRICT E MARTIN-** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0339 ADOPTED**

# MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 38 through 41

- 38. MOTION by Council Member Cohen/Seconded by Council Member Robinson to adopt recommendation to award to CENTRE TECHNOLOGIES, INC for Dell Compellent Storage Server (Racks) and Equipment for the Houston Police Department \$999,645.63 Asset Forfeiture Fund TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STARDIG

  This was Item 8 on Agenda of April 20, 2016- was presented, Council Members Green and Kubosh voting no, balance voting aye. Council Member Martin absent. MOTION 2016-0219 ADOPTED
- 39. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing the City of Houston to submit the 2016 Annual Action Plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, including the following 2016 grant applications and budgets: 1) 42nd Program Year Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$22,321,748 (which amount includes \$181,511 in Projected Program Income), 2) Home Investment Partnerships Grant in the amount of \$6,915,584 (which amount includes \$94,943 in Projected Program Income), 3) Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Grant in the amount of \$9,639,531, and 4) Emergency Solutions Grant, formerly known as the Emergency Shelter Grants, in the amount of \$2,012,200; to accept funds from the aforementioned grants, if awarded; and to amend the Citizen Participation Plan

#### TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KUBOSH

<u>This was Item 13 on Agenda of April 20, 2016</u>- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0340 ADOPTED** 

40. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing the submission of an application for grant assistance to the State of Texas through the Office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division ("CJD") to fund the body worn camera program; declaring the City's eligibility for such grant; authorizing the Chief of the Houston Police Department to act as the City's representative in the application process, to accept such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any, pertaining to the program - \$388,500.00 - General and Grant Funds

#### TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STARDIG

<u>This was Item 18 on Agenda of April 20, 2016 -</u> was presented, Council Member Kubosh voting no, balance voting aye. Council Members Davis and Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0341 ADOPTED** 

41. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$824,000.00 out of Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund and transferring it from the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund to the PWE-NEWPP Construction Fund, and appropriating \$4,326,000.00 out of the Water Authorities Capital Contribution-NEWPP Fund as the fourth additional appropriation to Professional Engineering Services Contract between the City of Houston and **CAROLLO ENGINEERS**, **INC** for Project Advisor/Technical Consultant for Northeast Water Purification Plant Expansion Project (Approved by Ordinance No. 2012-0121, as amended); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Water & Sewer System Consolidated Construction Fund - **DISTRICT E - MARTIN** - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GREEN** 

<u>This was Item 38 on Agenda of April 20, 2016-</u> was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0342 ADOPTED** 

Council Member Le released his tagged of Item 25.

**25. ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing agreement between the City of Houston and **AT&T TEXAS** for Fiber Metro Ethernet Network Connectivity to 44 Houston Public Library and Houston Area Library Automated Network Sites; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years \$878,328.00 - HALAN Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Martin absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0343 ADOPTED** 

Council Member Laster moved to suspend the rules to remain in session beyond the scheduled 12 noon recess to complete the Agenda and seconded by Council Member Kubosh, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Martin absent. **MOTION 2016-0220 ADOPTED** 

### MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS - Council Member Edwards first

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

Mayor Turner commended Donna Edmundson on her years of service and as a City Attorney and stated that this would be her last Council Meeting as City Attorney.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 12:22 p.m. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Le, Laster, Green, Kubosh, Edwards and Christie. **NO QUROUM** 

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

Anna Russell, City Secretary

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