## City Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, August 30, 2016

The Houston City Council convened at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 30, 2016; Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Robert Gallegos, Mike Laster, Larry Green, Mike Knox, 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.

At 1:43 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen called the meeting of City Council to order and stated that Council would start with presentations. Mayor Turner, Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Knox, Kubosh and Edwards absent.

Council Member Gallegos stated he would like to start off by stating that this past Sunday he and Mayor Turner where able to be at the Sam Houston Park to celebrate the 180<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the City of Houston which they had a good crowd, the Historic structures there were open to the public and he thanked the Heritage Society for doing that there were many Council Member present along with State Senator Ellis and he presented a flag that was flown over the Texas Capital for Sam Houston Park and he just wanted to thank Senator Ellis for being there and also Judge Emmett and he would like to invite Members of the Heritage Society to the podium; the City has continued to merge to become the next great City, as New Yorker Real Estate Developer Augustus Chap Allen and John Kirby Allen had envision on August 30, 1836 when they dreamed big and founded a City on the muddy banks of Buffalo Bayou 180 years ago today and the City of Houston has continued to advance first in technology, energy, medicine and the arts to name a few and enjoys continued growth economic prosperity and serving as a global beacon for diversity and truly becoming a world class City that any founder could be proud of and it was important to recognize and celebrate these great accomplishments; the Heritage Society was founded in 1954 and located in Houston's oldest municipal park, has taken the lead with a Happy Birthday Houston, an educational celebration and to make sure that Houston future would not forget its past and therefore, Mayor Turner proclaimed August 30, 2016 as Happy 180<sup>th</sup> Birthday Day in Houston Texas. Council Members Stardig, Boykins, Martin, Le, Kubosh and Edwards absent.

Council Member Travis stated he was honored to present a proclamation to an outstanding BARC volunteer Edward Alexander Howe and his most recent visit to BARC he decided to periodically honor volunteers and employees that were make a true difference in lives of abandon animals and when he asked BARC Officials who they recommend for this first volunteer honor and the overwhelming response was for Alex Howe; he is just 28 years old, he had spent years volunteering at BARC and this year alone he had logged in over 200 hours and he was expected to put in more, he assisted BARC Veterinaries with numerous surgeries for spraying and neuter which was not area that they get many volunteers and his work was very important and very needed, he was a Certified Adoption Counselor, he also been a regular on the Mobile Adoption Vehicle and Satellite Adoption Events, his involvement with adoptions had made him aware of the need for educating pet owners and he had learned how to make sure pets go to families that were committed to caring for them in the long term and further he also fostered puppies for BARC, he understands how socializing young puppies and kittens helps them be much better candidates for adoption and what makes Alex involvement with BARC makes it more inspiring was the fact that he continues to volunteer despite serious injuries from his back and feet from his fall in February 2015 which he had 6 surgeries from his fall and after his accident he showed up at BARC in wheelchair because he wanted to show the BARC staff that he would be back as soon as possible to help them out; he is a graduate from Episcopal

High School and Hampden Sydney College in West Virginia where he served as volunteer firefighter, he was a licensed private pilot and also a direct descendent of John R. Harris and John Harris was his great, great grandfather and since 2014 he was at the University of Houston preparing for Veterinary College and they commend him for devoting his work to caring and his love of animals and therefore, Mayor Turner proclaimed August 30, 2016 as Edward Alexander Howe Day in Houston Texas. Council Members Stardig, Boykins and Martin absent.

Council Member Green stated he wanted to recognize representatives of the World's Youth Foundation who were celebrating 25 years of serving our youth and requested the Members present to stand to be recognized. Council Members Stardig, Boykins and Travis absent.

At 2:02 p.m. Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Martin for the invocation and pledge of allegiance. Council Members Stardig, Boykins and Travis absent.

At 2:07 p.m. the roll was called. Council Members Stardig and Boykins absent.

Council Member Kubosh moved to delay the minutes of August 22-23, 2016 for one week and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig and Boykins absent. **MOTION ADOPTED** 

Mayor Turner stated that the wanted to note that there had been many, many Churches, Institutions and Faith-Based Organizations that have responded very, very generously to the call for supplies and other items for the people in the Baton Rouge area.

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

Mr. Bruce Nichols, 12439 Huntingwick Dr., 77024, (713)984-2544 appeared and stated he was presented on behalf of Frostwood and neighboring subdivisions particularly Long Meadows and Memorial Drive Town Houses to thank Mayor Turner, they were grateful to him for keeping alive the latest TIRZ 17 Capital Improvements Plan and sending it to Council for approval, they urge Council Members to vote yes on Agenda Item 13; they strongly support this plan because it includes significant storm water detention facilities South of I-10, West of Gessner and near Memorial City Mall, the plan also calls for reconstruction of a nearby stretch of Memorial Drive with additional capacity under the new roadway, this plan was a major step forward in keeping a promise, a promise that was made a decade ago when TIRZ 17 was founded to protect homeowners from increased storm water runoff due to commercial development, they welcome commercial development around them, it added convenience in the form of more nearby retailers, medical facilities and restaurants and it has had a positive impact on their property values but repeated studies have shown it had increased rain water runoff toward Buffalo Bayou to the point his neighborhood that was built in the 1960s and largely flood free for decades and has now seen substantial structural flooding since 2009, their storm surges and ditches were overwhelmed, many homeowners had just completed repairs from the Memorial Day 2015 flood because their area was nearly fully developed, they need created projects to ease the heartaches and financial loss and they also know Houston would always have some flooding but they also know much of the damages that was occurring can be avoid if they take appropriate steps and work together to make sure that this plan and other plans for flood relief for this City become a reality. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Gallegos absent.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Jim Bigham, 7911 Sharpview Sr., 77036, (713)568-8124 appeared and stated he was present to speak about Agenda Item 15 relating to TIRZ 20 for the budget and he was not here to ask them vote against it or for it, it is what is, and Mayor Turner with his leadership they were able to find \$20 million in TIRZ funding to help balance the City budget, in this particular budget there were a couple of things that jump out to him; number one, the dramatic increase in the municipal services fee from about \$440,000 to almost \$4,000,000; with the administrative cost, he looks at, the part that the City would keep that jumps from about \$700,000 a year for TIRZ 20 to almost \$4,000,000 and he wanted to be perspective about \$8 million in tax increment in Southwest Houston this year, \$4.2 million for bond service, that means the balance of that tax increment would go back to the City and the municipal service fee, the challenge for Southwest Houston was that TIRZ was created in 2000 and over 10 years it took percolate and collect increment to get some projects, they did one project the Bellaire mobility project which was on one of the Agenda items for this week to accept the work the Bellaire Mobility project which was the first giant project in the Sharptown Southwest Houston community area but given budget constraints for next you, they were kinda of zero out, so they were disappointed with that, they would hope it not to be a permanent long term situation, the TIRZ tools had been effective in doing two things for the City, generating tax revenue, bypassing the revenue cap, both voter approved revenue cap and been very effective in that and the second part was that the TIRZ have been effective in issuing additional bond debt, infrastructure debt, with the ad valorem taxes that have been rebranded as tax increment fund so they take property taxes and put it in the tax increment fund, they pledge those dollars for funds and there was no voters' approval for that and he does not have the hard number but maybe close to half of billion dollars in additional debt. Council Members Davis, Boykins, and Travis absent.

Mayor Turner stated based on what he had seen and have been told was that none of the projects for 17 and 18 were not going to adversely be impacted and a lot of things can change in the next two years but as for 17 and 18 those would not be impacted; he would also say in expanding the TIRZ, he was going to be hard pressed to be convinced to expand the boundaries or the lifespan of the TIRZ, the TIRZ serves a vital function no question about that and a lot of project have taken place that otherwise would have not taken place but the reality was that some areas have them and some do not, the question was to reconcile the inequality that exists in terms of who get and who does not.

Ms. Kelly Vela, no address, no phone, had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Davis, Boykins and Travis absent.

Mr. Del Bigtree, 4610 Mont Eagle Place, Los Angeles, CA, 90041, no phone, appeared and stated that he worked 6 years as a producer of a daytime talk show The Doctors, been a medical producer for most of his career celebrating the best of medicines have to offer while on that job, he came across a story about CDC whistleblower documentary about Dr. Thompson, a man that came forward from the most important health agency in the country and said they have committed scientific fraud in the MMR the Autism Study, this was the most important study done in the MMR Autism Study because the it was last one paid by the United States Government and Dr. Thompson had provided a 4 hour confession to the fraud of the CDC among the 10,000 documents to back up his claim and they made a movie about it called Vaxxed and they were traveling all around the Country, he believes this was one of the most important stories in the nation right now, our children were in harm's way of a defective vaccine and no one is protecting them specifically the most important health agency in this Country and he also wanted to point out when this film was accepted by the Houston World Fest and the Mayor sent out threat and get them to take it out of the festival which he does not understand it was important to censor in the freedom of speech and free thought by one of our top scientists from CDC and he would

appreciate if he would take a look at this and he believes it very hard to accept these claims but they are real. Council Members Boykins, Travis and Laster absent.

Mr. Andrew Wakefield, 15426 Carmel Dr., Willis, TX, 77318, (281)381-4601 appeared and stated that he was the Director of the movie Vaxxed and he wanted to say to say he had been in this battle for vaccine safety for 20 years and he represents millions of parents in this country who were not themselves anti-vaccine at all, they took their children to be vaccinated on time and the parents children paid the price; the movie and their position was not explicitly anti-vaccine, it was about making vaccines safe and effective for children and the rhetoric that was put out there by the media in order to dismiss the parents arguments and the arguments of those few physicians who can stand up to the pressures put on them was appalling and has to stop and on this special occasion on the birthday of Houston, he would like to offer the Mayor a copy of the movie and he encouraged them to watch it but do so with caution because once they watch it cannot be unknown the fact that a Senior Scientist from CDC that they had lied, they knew that vaccine was associated with autism for 14 years and that they had put millions of children in harm's way and they had done it recklessly and deliberately and he was appalled and ashamed by this actions. Council Members Boykins, Travis and Laster absent.

Council Member Christie questioned Mr. Wakefield.

Ms. Bella Tommy, 13505 Barton Meadow Ln., Rosharon, TX, 77583, (281)702-3509 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Boykins, Travis and Laster absent.

Ms. Polly Tommy, 11419 Hemington Dr., Tomball, TX, 77375 (832)970-7205 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Boykins, Travis and Laster absent.

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. Council Members Boykins, Travis and Laster absent.

Ms. Bridget Alexander McDaniel, P.O. Box 53993, 77052, (713)987-3854 appeared and stated that there were some forgeries done by the Metro Police and also HPD, she was still getting assignments because of the forgeries with the bus drivers and she still needs to go to school and wants to know when that was going to happen, she has a light bill that was due tomorrow and she cannot get work to pay for it, she was enjoying the house and there still were problems there too but with time she believes it would be taken care of. Council Members Boykins, Travis and Christie absent.

Mayor Turner requested that she speak with the Mayor's Citizens Assistance Department and them to see if they can help and to get more information from her.

Mr. Humphrey Ibeabuchi, 3433 FM 1960 Rd. West, Apt. No. 1405, Humble, TX, 77338 appeared and stated that he was here today to talk about the harassment that he been getting at the airport, he is a cab driver and they have a procedure to follow if someone thinks that a cab driver had done something wrong, he was given a citation for dress code and at the same time he was called in the next day to come to the office without anyone on his side and they told him that he was on indefinite suspension, he has two kids that were under 6 and he is taking care of his 90 year old mother, he also has a sister that is sick and before they are supposed to suspend someone there was supposed to have a hearing, he was not given the chance for the hearing, even though they requested him to appeal the suspension which he did and when he

appealed the suspension they called him to go back to work, he went back to work, 2 weeks later, they told him to leave because he was suspended again because someone reported him and anybody says anything about a driver it was considered to be true without get the driver's side of the story, he was not given any written letter about the suspension, he does have his appeal and his ticket on him and he turn it into Council Member Kubosh Office, he has been out of work for 2 weeks and with someone that has responsibilities he does not know how he was going to pay bills without work and he was present to ask for any help he can get; he also requested to see the video that was at the airport that recorded it but they told him he could not see it because it was only for City employees and the Airport security and he does not want to go on food stamps, he had been here for 26 years and he never had any criminal record and he just wants to go back to work. Council Members Boykins, Travis and Christie absent.

Council Member Davis questioned Mr. Ibeabuchi and Mayor Turner advised him to speak with a representative that was with ARA to get more information so they can follow up on his situation.

Mr. Otis Myles, 5606 Yorkwood St., 77016, (713)633-80677205 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins, Travis and Christie absent.

Mr. Ida Whittaker, 20506 Cannaberry Way, Spring, TX, 77388, (346)814-6761 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins, Travis and Christie absent.

Ms. Robin Harrison, 910 Cypress Station Dr. Apt.503, 77090, (281)662-8534 appeared and presented information to Members of Council and stated that in the proposed changes to Chapter 46 of the Code of Ordinance related to vehicles for hire dated April 22, 2014 the United Houstonians Taxi Cab Drivers Association requested amendments on page 21 and page 22 to include the Drivers Bill of Rights and one of those amendments was protection against retaliation from other companies; she filed a complaint with the City of Houston ARA Department, as a Black female and her experiences with Yellow Cab Houston included being penalized outside of her contract for refusing to break the laws in Conroe, harassing for not purchasing a 3 year old car with over 246,000 miles on it for \$15,000 with 15% interest rate, retaliation for writing the letter asserting her rights that included a request to forward the letter to the registration of the company because of the potential breach of the contract and refusal by Melissa McGee with Yellow Cab Houston of her request to forward her request to address the President about the work conditions and defective equipment, repeated days of defective equipment that should had been considered and compensated downtime that led to harassments by 3 men and licensing for refusing to accept a bad deal on wheel and ultimately, the cancellation of her contract agreement in less than a week of the above incidents when 3 administrators harassed her; Nick a white male who tried to sell her the car was present and decided to take her keys and left her stranded with her things on the street when they discovered she only owed \$80.00 when it was originally \$230.00, HPD was called out but no assistance was granted and in closing she corresponded with the registered agent with a law firm and requested what was the Mayor and the City Council going to do hold Yellow Cab responsible for abusing drivers as well as not obeying Local and State Federal Laws. Council Members Boykins, Martin and Travis absent.

Council Member Green questioned Ms. Harrison and Mayor Turner advised her to speak with a representative that was present with ARA Department to get more information so they can follow up with him.

Mr. Mike Johnson, 7929 Little St., 77028, (832)817-2350 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Council Members Boykins, Martin and Travis absent.

Mr. Felipe McCall, 10462 Ennora, 77043, (956)898-5645 appeared and stated that his situation had been really tough lately and he was coming to Council with no speech plan so he would speak from the heart, he been up against something that he had not been about to deal with lately and he feels that the City in some way was involved and he comes here out love, spirit and compassion so he can bring light to what he been going through and requesting assistance from the City of Houston. Council Members Stardig and Martin.

Mr. Lee Perry, 11835 Jelicoe, 77018, (713)876-4571 appeared and stated that his was real simple, he been going to the Super Bowl Host Committee website and he went to one of Mayor Turner town home meeting and he was told that the citizens would be able to kinda participate and there was nothing on the website where the events were going to be, he always read about them the next day, they just had one at NASA this past Saturday and he read about it Sunday and then he went to the Mayor's Assistance Program and had called the lady that helped him and they would not even tell her, she gave them his number and no one still had not called, so we having these events which he would like to go to them but there nothing on the website and he would like them to put these events on the website so he can go. Council Members Stardig and Martin absent.

Mayor Turner stated that Mr. Perry made a good point, that he was right and there was the initial Super Bowl experience on Saturday and it should have been open to everyone and information should be made it available and he was going to look into himself.

Ms. Rose Mourning, 6818 Kassarine Pass, 77033, (713)254-5574 had reserved time to speak but was not present when her name was called. Council Members Stardig and Martin absent.

Ms. Birdie Bellard, 3017 Lockcrest, 77004, (281)989-9047 appeared and stated she was present because of ongoing problems that she was having in her neighborhood with controlling mosquitos, she had made phone calls trying to find out who she needs to speak to and she cannot get that problem under control, she was present for someone to point her into the right direction because mosquitos carry diseases, she had call mosquitos control and they had told her that her street was not on their route for them to spray, it is an isolated street, it is in the City limits, they buy all the sprays but cannot get it under control; her other problem was with cutting grass in larges ditches along the street and they will not cut the grass because it was the owners of the property responsibility, she does not know who owns the property, she was requesting for someone to contact the owners of the property, the ditches were filled with water and the drainage was really bad. Mayor Turner, Council Members Martin and Laster absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Ms. Bellard.

Mr. John Noflin, 12903 Brent Rock Dr., Apt.703, 77082, (832)208-1490 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Martin and Laster absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mr. James Partsch- Galvan, 2705 Terry St., 77009, (713)528-2607 had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Martin and Laster absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Mr. Sean Krieger, 3826 Lehall St., 77021, (979)220-9634 appeared and stated that he was going to be very honest and blunt, he was very, very upset, very, very angry he cannot say that enough; 15 inspections later at his homes the Building Official had caught a problem and was asking him to completely tear out the vast majority of the V.A.C in two of my homes in order to fix his problem; well they should have caught this in plan review, he has 7 homes currently in planning review, the Official had retroactively failed his master plan that was previously approved from his repeated homes, why even spend more money for it, he does not understand, the utility review again had failed his plans over and over, he asked them for an example of plans that would pass and he did exactly what they said to do and when they got into a meeting last week and they failed that set of plans anyway that they just gave him as an example, that was 2 out of 4 Departments that is not even reviewing the work he submitted and he does not know what to do. he has renters that were able to move in next week and now he has to make these major changes, it cannot happen and at this point was one tear out the ducts and put sheet rock behind the entire bottom floor or he can get a variance that why he was here and if he received fine and he needs a resolution. Mayor Turner, Council Members Martin and Laster absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

Members of Council questioned Mr. Krieger at length.

President Joseph Charles, Post Office Box 524373, 77052-4373, Houston, TX, had reserved time to speak but was not present when his name was called. Mayor Turner, Council Members Martin and Laster absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

At 3:05 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 31, 2016, Mayor Turner, Council Members Martin and Laster absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

At 8:30 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, August 10, 2016, Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding, with Council Members Brenda Stardig, Jerry Davis, Ellen Cohen, Dwight Boykins, Dave Martin, Steve Le, Greg Travis, Karla Cisneros, Mike Laster, Robert Gallegos, Larry Green, Mike Knox, David Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Amanda Edwards and Jack Christie D.C.; Mr. Ronald C. Lewis, City Attorney and Ms. Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director present.

At 9:10 a.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting into order and stated they would start with the Financial Report with Controller Chris Brown and Director Kelly Dowe. Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin and Cisneros absent.

REPORT FROM CITY CONTROLLER AND THE CITY ADMINISTRATION REGARDING THE CURRENT FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE CITY including but not limited to, a 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 and a Quarterly Investment Report by the City Controller- was presented,

Mr. Chris Brown, City Controller and Mr. Kelley Dowe, Director of Finance reviewed the Monthly Operation and Financial; 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 Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Gallegos absent. **MOTION 2016-0410 ADOPTED** 

At 9:19 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the Public Hearing.

## <u>HEARINGS</u> - <u>9:00A.M.</u>

1. **PUBLIC HEARING** relative to a proposal for the City of Houston to annex certain territory in the vicinity of the intersection of I-45 North and Rankin Road, in Harris County, Texas- was presented,

The City Secretary advised that no one had signed up to speak about the proposal annexation and Nicole Smothers with the Planning and Development Department would be making remarks relative to the hearing

Nicole Smothers appeared and stated that The Planning and Development Department has received a petition from Betz I-45/Rankin Road, Ltd. requesting the annexation of an approximately 0.54 acre tract into the city of Houston near the northeast corner of Interstate Highway 45 and Rankin Road. This item was presented before the Economic Development Committee on July 14, 2016 and at the Council Hearing on August 24, 2016; the area to be annexed is owned entirely by the petitioner. The project includes annexation of an approximately 0.54 acre of undeveloped land that will be used for commercial purposes. The annexation property will be developed as part of a proposed commercial development and is contiguous to the City's full purpose jurisdiction to the west where it abuts council district B. No residents or qualified voters are currently in the area to be annexed and no homes will be constructed in the annexation area.

Upon the completion of the annexation, this tract along with two adjacent tracts with a total area of slightly over 3 acres is to be proposed for dis-annexation from the City of Houston. According to PWE, the City waste water and water services are on the west side of IH-45 and cannot be accessed by the site to the east side of the freeway. The Planning and Development Department has correspondence from HC MUD No. 96 expressing its intent to annex the property into the District conditional to the dis-annexation of the 3 acres from the City. The owner of the annexation tract will construct all necessary infrastructures to serve this tract of land in accordance with the City of Houston's in city MUD consent conditions and will connect to the existing Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 96 system once annexed. Water and wastewater service will be provided and the facilities will be maintained and operated by Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 96.

The Houston Police Department will provide protection and law enforcement services in the annexation Area and The Houston Fire Department will provide all Fire, Emergency Medical, Arson and Life Safety Bureau services consistent with those provided to citizens served in the general purpose boundaries of the City of Houston at no additional cost to the City.

The parcel is currently serviced by Harris County Emergency Services District No. 1. The City of Houston will compensate Harris County Emergency Services District No. 1 the pro rata share of the debt owed by the district, as required in the Texas Health and Safety Code upon annexation of the 0.54 acre. This amount is expected to be less than \$1000.00.

The annual property tax value of the 3 acres tracts to the City is approximately \$4,000.

The annexation ordinance will be brought before Council on September 21<sup>st</sup>. If this ordinance is tagged, it may be considered by City Council on September 28th.

Mayor Turner asked if there were any questions on Item 1 or asked if there was anyone present that would like to speak on Item 1 and seeing none, requested a motion to close the hearing.

Council Member Robinson moved to close the public hearing relative to a proposal for the City of Houston to annex certain territory in the vicinity of the intersection of I-45 North and Rankin Road, in Harris County and seconded by Council Member Green, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Boykins absent. **MOTION 2016-0411 ADOPTED** 

2. **PUBLIC HEARING** relative to a proposal for the City of Houston to annex certain territory in the vicinity of the intersection of North Houston Rosslyn Road and Chippewa Boulevard, in Harris County, Texas- was presented

The City Secretary advised that no one had signed up to speak relative to the proposal to annexation and Nicole Smothers with the Planning and Development Department would be making remarks relative to the hearing:

Nicole Smothers appeared and stated the Planning and Development Department has received a petition from ASK Platinum LLC. Requesting the annexation of an approximately 0.9 acre tract of land into the city of Houston at the northeast corner of North Houston Rosslyn Road and Chippewa Boulevard. This item was presented before the Economic Development Committee on July 14, 2016 and at the Council Hearing on August 24, 2016; the area to be annexed is owned entirely by the petitioner. The project includes annexation of an approximately 0.9 acre tract of developed land that is being used for commercial purposes. The annexation property has been developed to include a gas station, a convenience store, a taqueria and a tire shop all under one roof.

The tract is contiguous to the City's full purpose jurisdiction to the west where it abuts council district A. No residents or qualified voters are currently in the area to be annexed and no homes will be constructed in the annexation area.

The Planning and Development Department has a letter from HC MUD No. 366, an in city MUD, expressing its intent to annex the property into the District once it is annexed into the City. The owner of the annexation tract will construct all necessary infrastructures to serve this tract of land in accordance with the City of Houston's in city MUD consent conditions. Should council decide to approve this annexation request, an ordinance from PWE recommending the annexation of this area into the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 366 will likely follow on a subsequent agenda. Water and wastewater service will then be provided and the facilities will be maintained and operated by Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 366.

The Houston Police Department will provide protection and law enforcement services in the annexation Area and The Houston Fire Department will provide all Fire, Emergency Medical, Arson and Life Safety Bureau services consistent with those provided to citizens served in the general purpose boundaries of the City of Houston at no additional cost to the City.

The parcel is currently serviced by Harris County Emergency Services District No. 1. The City of Houston will compensate Harris County Emergency Services District No. 1 the pro rata share of the debt owed by the district, as required in the Texas Health and Safety Code upon annexation of the 0.9 acre. This amount is expected to be less than \$1000.00.

The property has an appraised value of \$597,261 and would bring in approximately \$3,590 in annual property tax revenue to the City. The cost to provide city services to this tract is minimal.

This annexation will benefit the city in the following ways:

- Increased ad valorem taxes for the city
- Expansion of water sewerage and drainage facilities in the area due to the annexation of this area into the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 366, an in-city MUD operating in northwest Houston. It has been determined by PWE that the annexation of this property into Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 366 and into the city is in keeping with their plans for improved and expanded water, sewerage and drainage infrastructure in this part of the city.

The annexation ordinance will be brought before Council on September 21<sup>st</sup>. If this ordinance is tagged, it may be considered by City Council on September 28.

Mayor Turner asked if there were any questions on Item 2 or was there anyone present that would like to speak on Item 2 and seeing none, requested a motion to close the hearing.

Council Member Robinson moved to close the public hearing relative to a proposal for the City of Houston to annex certain territory in the vicinity of the intersection of North Houston Rosslyn Road and Chippewa Boulevard, in Harris County, Texas and seconded by Council Member Knox, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **MOTION 2016-0412 ADOPTED** 

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

Mayor Turner stated that there was no Mayor's Report today.

At 9:31 a.m. Mayor Turner requested the City Secretary to call the Consent Agenda.

### **CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 3 through 29**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS** - NUMBER 3

3. **REQUEST** from Mayor for confirmation of the reappointment of the following to the **WATER ADJUSTMENT BOARD**, for terms to expire August 7, 2019:

Position One - ALIA VINSON, and to serve as Chair

Position Two - MARTYE M. KENDRICK

Position Three- ARTHUR JUAREZ-

was presented, moved by Council Member Christie and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Martin absent. **MOTION 2016-0413 ADOPTED** 

#### **PROPERTY** - NUMBER 6

6. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering, to purchase Parcel LY15-034, located in the 8500 block of Clinton Drive, owned by Port of Houston Authority of Harris County, Texas, for the CLINTON DRIVE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT from Port of Houston Gate 8 to IH-610 - <u>DISTRICT H - CISNEROS</u> – was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Stardig, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Davis and Martin absent. MOTION 2016-0414 ADOPTED

## **RESOLUTIONS** - NUMBER 9

9. **RESOLUTION** authorizing submission of a Loan application to the Texas Water Development Board's Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program – was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **RESOLUTION 2016-0029 ADOPTED** 

## **ORDINANCES** - NUMBERS 10 through 29

- 10. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing first amendment to grant agreement between the City of Houston and the WOMEN'S HOME for Construction of a social service facility located in the vicinity of 1905 Jacquelyn Street and 1838 Johanna Drive, Houston, Texas, to serve homeless and low-income individuals and families, to consent to lease transactions and subordination of the City's lien in order to accommodate commercially funded new market tax credit financing whose proceeds will supplement the previously approved City grant DISTRICT A STARDIG- the City Secretary advised that Item 10 had not been received and if received during the meeting would be considered at the end of the meeting.
- 20. **ORDINANCE** awarding contract to **THE CAPTIONING COMPANY**, **INC** for Closed Captioning Services for Various Departments; providing a maximum contract amount 3 Years with two one-year options \$359,860.00 General and Other Funds- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0643 ADOPTED**
- 21. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the creation of the **HARRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 14** and the inclusion of certain lands within the district- the City Secretary advised that Item 21 had been pulled by the Administration and would not be considered.
- 26. **ORDINANCE** NO. 2016-630, passed first reading August 24, 2016
  ORDINANCE granting to **BP EXPRESS TRUCKING, 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. **ORDINANCE 2016-0630 ADOPTED SECOND READING IN FULL**

- 27. ORDINANCE NO. 2016-631, passed first reading August 24, 2016
  ORDINANCE granting to CLEAN PORTABLES, 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. ORDINANCE 2016-0631 PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL
- 28. ORDINANCE NO. 2016-632, passed first reading August 24, 2016
  ORDINANCE granting to YVETTE TREVINO dba BUYER POWER, 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. ORDINANCE 2016-0632
  PASSED SECOND READING IN FULL
- 29. **ORDINANCE** NO. 2016-602, passed second reading August 24, 2016
  ORDINANCE granting to **CHENG INTERNATIONAL ENTERPRISES**, **INC**, **dba BUDGET WASTE**, **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 **THIRD AND FINAL READING** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0602 ADOPTED THIRD AND FINAL READING IN FULL**

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

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

- 4. **RECOMMENDATION** from the Director of the Finance Department that the City Council receive the 2016 Appraisal Roll Information, Certification of the Anticipated Collection Rate and appoint Thy-Huyen Ruiz and Alma Tamborello to calculate and publish the City's Effective and Rollback Tax Rates in accordance with the "Truth-In-Taxation" provisions of the State Tax Code and Local Government Code- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0415 ADOPTED**
- 5. RECOMMENDATION from Director Department of Public Works & Engineering for approval of final contract amount of \$22,162,502.18 and acceptance of work on contract with TOTAL CONTRACTING LIMITED for Bellaire Access Management and Widening Project 1.07% over the original contract amount and under 5% contingency amount DISTRICTS F LE and J LASTER- was presented, moved by Council Member Laster and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2016-0416 ADOPTED
- 7. CLINICAL MICRO SENSORS, INC dba GENMARK DIAGNOSTICS, INC for Respiratory Panel Tests and Consumables for the Houston Health Department 3 Years with two one-year options \$332,366.40 Laboratory Services Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and

seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. MOTION 2016-0417 ADOPTED

- 8. **APPROVE** spending authority in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00 for Software Maintenance Fees for the Legal Department, awarded to **ADERANT NORTH AMERICA**, **INC** Property and Casualty Fund- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2016-0418 ADOPTED**
- 11. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing various vendor agreements between the City and (1) BAYLOR ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC, 2) BROWN STERLING BUILDERS, INC, 3) BYRDSON SERVICES, LLC, aka EXCELLO CONSTRUCTION, (4) HCG MANAGEMENT, LLC, dba HONESTY CONSTRUCTION GROUP, 5) HERMAN HAMMONDS, and 6) J HUERTA CONSTRUCTION LLC, respectively, for Residential Repair and Restoration Services provided to older adults through Harris County Area Agency on Aging of the Houston Health Department; providing maximum contract amounts Date of countersignature ending September 30, 2016 with 3 one-year renewals \$6,000,000.00 Grant and Other Funds- was presented and tagged by Council Member Boykins.

**NOTE:** Council Member Boykins later released his tag on Item 11

- 12. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the EAST DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER FIFTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (EAST DOWNTOWN ZONE); approving the Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2017-2021 Capital Improvement Projects Budget for the Zone DISTRICTS H CISNEROS and I GALLEGOS- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0644 ADOPTED
- 13. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the MEMORIAL CITY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SEVENTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (MEMORIAL CITY ZONE); approving the Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2017-2021 Capital Improvement Budget for the Zone <u>DISTRICTS A STARDIG and G TRAVIS</u>- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. ORDINANCE 2016-0645 ADOPTED
- 14. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the UPPER KIRBY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER NINETEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (UPPER KIRBY ZONE); approving the Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2017-2021 Capital Improvement Budget for the Zone <u>DISTRICTS</u> <u>C COHEN and G TRAVIS-</u> was presented, all voting aye, nays none. ORDINANCE 2016-0646 ADOPTED
- 15. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the SOUTHWEST HOUSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER TWENTY, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (SOUTHWEST HOUSTON ZONE); approving the Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2017-2021 Capital Improvements Budget for the Zone DISTRICTS F LE and J LASTER- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Members Stardig and Boykins absent. ORDINANCE 2016-0647 ADOPTED
- 16. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Interlocal Agreement between the City and HARRIS

**COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION** for CASE for Kids City Connections Program; providing a maximum contract amount - \$660,000.00 - General Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Stardig absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0648 ADOPTED** 

- 17. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Professional Services Agreement between the City of Houston and **THE SEGAL COMPANY (MIDWEST) INC** for Expert Witness Services; providing a maximum contract amount \$600,000.00 Property and Casualty Fund- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0649 ADOPTED**
- 18. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to agreement between the City of Houston and **MOTIVA ENTERPRISES, LLC** to add Emergency Diesel Fuel Supply Provision and extend the contract term for the purchase for Low Emission Diesel Fuel (Approved by Ordinance No. 2011-0826)- was presented and tagged by Council Members Davis, Boykins and Green.
- 19. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,600,000.00 out of FY2017 Equipment Acquisition Consolidated Fund for purchase of Capital Equipment for the Houston Fire Department- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0650 ADOPTED**
- 22. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Harris County to improve portions of certain streets in the City of Houston, Texas- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0651 ADOPTED**
- 23. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Water Supply Supplement to the City of Houston Water Supply and Groundwater Reduction Plan Wholesale Agreement for Regulatory Area 3 of the Harris-Galveston Coastal Subsidence District between the City of Houston and **SUNBELT FRESH WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT** (Approved by Ordinance No. 2003-519) for the **High Meadows-Fairgreen Service Area** was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2016-0652 ADOPTED**
- 24. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Water Supply Supplement to the City of Houston Water Supply and Groundwater Reduction Plan Wholesale Agreement for Regulatory Area 3 of the Harris-Galveston Coastal Subsidence District between the City of Houston and SUNBELT FRESH WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT (Approved by Ordinance No. 2003-519) for the Oakwilde Service Area- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. ORDINANCE 2016-0653 ADOPTED
- 25. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing Water Supply Supplement to the City of Houston Water Supply and Groundwater Reduction Plan Wholesale Agreement for Regulatory Area 3 of the Harris-Galveston Coastal Subsidence District between the City of Houston and SUNBELT FRESH WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT (Approved by Ordinance No. 2003-519) for the Woodland Oaks Service Area- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. ORDINANCE 2016-0654 ADOPTED

Mayor Turner recognized Council Member Boykins and Council Member Boykins stated that he would release his tag on Item 11.

11. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing various vendor agreements between the City and (1) BAYLOR ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC, 2) BROWN STERLING BUILDERS, INC, 3) BYRDSON SERVICES, LLC, aka EXCELLO CONSTRUCTION, (4) HCG MANAGEMENT, LLC, dba HONESTY CONSTRUCTION GROUP, 5) HERMAN HAMMONDS, and 6) J HUERTA CONSTRUCTION LLC, respectively, for Residential Repair and Restoration Services provided to older adults through Harris County Area Agency on Aging of the Houston Health Department; providing maximum contract amounts - Date of countersignature ending September 30, 2016 with 3 one-year renewals - \$6,000,000.00 - Grant and Other Funds- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. ORDINANCE 2016-0655 ADOPTED

# MATTERS HELD - NUMBERS 30 through 33

- 30. RECOMMENDATION from Chief Procurement Officer to award to MIDWEST VETERINARY SUPPLY, INC \$7,204,188.08 and BASILEIA GROUP, INC dba NEW DIMENSION PHARMACY \$180,923.25 for Veterinary Supplies for the Administration & Regulatory Affairs Department 36 Months with two one-year options BARC Special Revenue Fund TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DAVIS
  This was Item 11 on Agenda of August 24, 2016- was presented, moved by Council Member Cohen and seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. MOTION 2016-0419 ADOPTED
- 31. ORDINANCE relating to the Fiscal Affairs of the OLD SPANISH TRAIL/ALMEDA CORRIDORS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY on behalf of REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER SEVEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS (OLD SPANISH TRAIL/ALMEDA CORRIDORS ZONE); approving the Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Budget for the Authority and the Fiscal Years 2017-2021 Capital Improvements Budget for the Zone DISTRICT D BOYKINS
  TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BOYKINS

<u>This was Item 25 on Agenda of August 24. 2016</u>- was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0656 ADOPTED** 

32. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing agreement between the City of Houston and **REED GROUP MANAGEMENT LLC** for Third-Party Administrative Services for Long Term Disability Plan for the Human Resources Department; providing a maximum contract amount 3 Years with two one-year options - \$897,348.00 - Long Term Disability Fund **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KUBOSH** 

<u>This was Item 30 on Agenda of August 24, 2016</u> - was presented, all voting aye, nays none. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0567 ADOPTED** 

33. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing third amendment to Lease Agreement between **JAKLL HOLDINGS**, **LLC**, **as landlord**, and the City of Houston, Texas, as tenant, for space at 1702 Seamist Drive, Houston, Texas, for use as offices for Public Works & Engineering Department - **DISTRICT A - STARDIG** - **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER KNOX**This was Item 36 on Agenda of August 24, 2016- was presented, Council Member Kubosh voting no, balance voting aye. Council Member Davis absent. **ORDINANCE 2016-0658 ADOPTED** 

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

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council; the City Council adjourned at 10:50 a.m. Mayor Turner, Council Members Davis, Boykins, Martin, Travis, Green, Knox and Kubosh absent. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen presiding.

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

Anna Russell, City Secretary