

Council Chamber, City Hall, Tuesday, January 12, 2021

A regular meeting of the Houston City Council was held at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 12, 2021 with Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding with Council Members Amy Peck, Tarsha Jackson, Abbie Kamin, Carolyn Evans-Shabazz, Dave Martin, Tiffany Thomas, Greg Travis, Robert Gallegos, Karla Cisneros, Edward Pollard, Martha Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David W. Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Letitia Plummer and Sallie Alcorn; Randy Zamora, Legal Department and Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director present.

At 2:00 p.m. Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and recognized Council Member Peck for the Invocation in which she invited Michael Kidd with SpringSpirit after which she led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

All Present

Council Member Kubosh moved to delay the Minutes of January 5-6, 2021 and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION ADOPTED**

Due to health and safety concerns related to COVID-19, this meeting will be conducted virtually via Microsoft Teams, a web-conferencing platform and streamed as usual on the City's website (<https://www.houstontx.gov/htv/index.html>), Facebook site (<https://www.facebook.com/pg/HoustonTelevision/videos/>) and the municipal channel on public television. The Council Members will be participating by videoconference in accordance with the provisions of Section 551.127 of the Texas Government Code that have not been suspended by order of the Governor. Public comment will be allowed on Tuesday via teleconference at (936) 755-1521; Conference ID# 601 614 087# and details for signing up and participating are posted at <https://www.houstontx.gov/council/meetingsinfo.html>. Members of the public may call in Wednesday via teleconference at (936) 755-1521; Conference ID# 928 713 220#, however no public comment will be allowed.

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to review some of the procedures for conducting the Virtual Public Session. He is requesting for Council Members to speak slowly and clearly because this will help the City Secretary, the Close Captioner and the General Public. After Roll Call they established there was a Quorum. If by chance for example if they have to leave, just let them know on the Chat screen if they are leaving temporarily or if they are leaving for the duration because otherwise, they will assume that Council Members are present. If they are making the Motion or Seconding a Motion, they will need to state their name and their action clearly so they can have it down for the record. The Agenda Director will be monitoring the Chat and will provide him their names. Please don't use the Chat Room just for chatting. Please mute themselves when they are not speaking and unmute themselves when they are recognized to speak. For the General Public in order to be recognized as a Public Speaker, they have to sign up for the meeting on Monday before 5:00 p.m. in the Office of the City Secretary and then they will call the Speakers name in the order that they have signed up. When their name is called press Star 6 to unmute themselves when their name is called. They may only speak when recognized and to please note

that if they speak during the meeting and he hasn't recognized them, he will have to mute and/or remove them off the call.

At 2:09 p.m. Mayor Turner requested the Interim City Secretary to call the List of Speakers

NAKIA SIMS – 1415 Bluebonnet Place Circle – 77019 – 281-247-4839- Item Nos. 7-9 and 37 – City Vendors. **NOT PRESENT**

#1- WILLIAM MILLER – 9668 Westheimer Rd., Apt. #200 – 832-396-7396 – Item No. 17 - Sunnyside Solar.

#2- DORI WOLFE – 7703 Meadow Glen Ln. – 77063 – 802-272-2328 – Item No. 17 - Sunnyside Solar.

#3- EFREM JERNIGAN – 4818 Higgins St. – 77033 – 713-419-8352 – Item No. 17 - Sunnyside Energy.

#4- REV. STEPHANIE WILKINS – 2929 Reed Rd. – 77051 – 832-894-7059 - Item No. 17 - Sunnyside Energy Solar.

#5-CHARLES CAVE – 5123 Madden Ln. – 77048 – 832-752-2082 – Item No. 17 - Sunnyside Solar.

#6- ROBERT HARDING – 4306 Jamie Ln. – 77048 – 832-379-8730 – Item No. 17 – Sunnyside Energy Project.

#7- JAMES CARGAS – 2450 Louisiana St. – 77006 – 703-472-0359 - Item No. 17 – Sunnyside Energy Project.

PAUL BENZ – No Address – 972-365-6543 – District H TIRZ/Economic Development. **NOT PRESENT**

#8- JUANA HAWK – 15707 Noblebriar Ct. – Missouri City, TX – 77489 – 713-459-6508 – Harassment by my neighbor/Protective order.

Mayor Turner asked Ms. Hawk if she filed with the Justice of the Peace, with Judge Klauser? She stated to Mayor Turner that she did go in person and did all of the paperwork, sent her documentation, photographic evidence and all the Police reports. Mayor Turner asked her if she requested a Hearing Date and she was told by the Judge that this is a new area for them to sign a Peace Order and the Judge wasn't familiar with the process and that they would get back to Ms. Hawk. Mayor Turner stated to her that he believes that she should stick with Ms. Klauser and ask them for a Hearing date with her and her neighbor because he thinks this is the best route to take on this issue.

NIA COLBERT – 1117 Texas Ave. – 77002 – 346-339-7122 – City's role in Houston's homeless crisis. **NOT PRESENT**

#9- BASIL MOREHEAD – 4312 Plaag St. – 77016 – 281-221-9224 – Home Investment for Veterans.

Mayor Turner stated to Mr. Morehead to contact Director Marc Eichenbaum, he works directly with the homeless population and also works directly with the Veterans that are homeless.

Council Member Thomas stated that they are having Dr. Hall share with the Housing Committee to raise some of those issues and the needs of our Veterans and families experiencing homelessness. That is happening soon and told him to reach out to Mr. Eichenbaum and his team, along with her and her team as well because she would like to know more on what he does in relation with what the City is doing.

Council Member Jackson stated that she is the Council Member for that area and she would like to work with him on the project that he is working on, in regards to homeless Veterans and she will be at the Community Meeting on this Saturday and she wants to invite him to share his ideas.

EBUNOLUWA AKINOLA – 8313 Manchester St. – 77012 – 832-217-7466 – Ministries to help stop youth violence. **NOT PRESENT**

ROLAND CURRY – 5911 Bent Bough Ln. – 77088 – 832-977-9305 – Sgt. Mangus with HPD. **NOT PRESENT**

STEVE WILLIAMS – No Address – No Phone – HPD/Metro/Appeal to Republican Party. **NOT PRESENT**

#10- DEXTRELL SIMMONS – 17302 Misty Cross – 77084 – 281-865-5194 – More entrepreneurship Programs in school districts.

#11- CHER DAWSON – 8610 Woodland Rd. – 77028 – 832-398-5922 – District B/Illegal dumping/Economic Development.

Mayor Turner stated Ms. Dawson that they swore in the Council Member in as soon as we could after the special election.

JACKIE PIPKINS – 15110 Steeple Chase Rd. – Missouri City, TX – 77489 –713-444-0501 – Houston Fort Bend County. **NOT PRESENT**

JOHN COBARRUVIAS – 14646 Cardinal Creek Ct. – 77062 – 281-536-2457 – Council Member Travis. **NOT PRESENT**

#12- ISIS BERRUETE – No Address – No Phone – 832-744-8555 – State of the World.

#13- CHARLIE JONES – 4307 S. Acres Dr. – 77047 – 832-854-4118 – Limited Purpose Annexation.

For more information and details from the Speakers List, please click here: <https://houstontx.swagit.com/play/01122021-1871>

Note: During the public session motions maybe 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 2:50 p.m. The City Council was recessed until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 14, 2021.

Pat J. Daniel, Interim City Secretary read the description or captions of the Items on the Agenda.

The Houston City Council reconvened at 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 14, 2021 with Mayor Sylvester Turner presiding with Council Members Amy Peck, Tarsha Jackson, Abbie Kamin, Carolyn Evans-Shabazz, Dave Martin, Tiffany Thomas, Greg Travis, Robert Gallegos, Karla Cisneros, Edward Pollard, Martha Castex-Tatum, Mike Knox, David W. Robinson, Michael Kubosh, Letitia Plummer and Sallie Alcorn; Arturo Michel, City Attorney Legal Department and Marta Crinejo, Agenda Director present.

At 9:00 a.m. Mayor Turner called the first Meeting of this Houston City Council and requested the Interim City Secretary to call the roll.

ROLL CALL

All Present

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Turner stated that he wanted to remind everyone that we are not having City Council next week. The Houston Health Department is working this week to provide for the COVID-19 Vaccines to the public based on supplies. He is hoping to confirm Minute Maid again. Like we did last week, and 3,852 people received their vaccination and he know that some of the Council Members were there. It was a well-run organization by the Health Department, he wants to give kudos to them and their staff because they are working very hard. They want to get these vaccines out as soon as they get them and they are focusing on One A, One B; the medical care workers, people in long-term facilities, people that are 65 and older. The people that are above the age of 18 with preexisting health condition. People are dealing with the supply issue of the vaccination all over the Country. The registration for the City of Houston Health Department is booked all the way up in January. He wants to continue to encourage people to get tested and the community spread through our City is now 17.4% and it was at 5% at one point in the City and then it started to go up and up. This is a high number and the number of people who are reporting to the hospitals is growing, they had little over 2400 people in the hospitals from COVID-19 related sickness and now they are above 2200 which means is that we are getting closer to what they had in the summer. Mayor Turner encourage the Council Members to join him in using their outlet social media just to remind people to be careful and mindful of their behavior. We are 10 into this virus anxious to move forward.

Mayor Turner stated that unfortunately that this virus is so real, another City of Houston employee has passed, Jose Rubio has worked in the Houston Public Works for 27 years and he leaves behind family, friends and co-worker distraught. Mayor Turner requesting that everyone please lift up his family and friends.

In regards to the Houston Public Library, this week the Houston Public Library has reopen 2 branches that have been closed since Hurricane Harvey. Yesterday, there was a virtual reopening ceremony for the Flores Neighborhood Library in Council Member Cisneros District and on Monday, the Library had a virtual celebration for the McCrane Kashmere Gardens Library in Council Member Jackson District.

In the celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, January 18, 2021; all of the City of Houston Departments will be closed. The City is partnering with the Black Heritage Society to honor Mr. King's Legacy and the parade will be virtual. In addition to the virtual parade there will be a day of service that will be called a Parade of Giving on Monday, January 18, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The 43rd Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Parade takes place online a drive-thru donation drop-off site will be at MacGregor Park to support Houstonians that have been extremely affected by the pandemic and that need the basic essentials and the public is encouraged to donate blankets, water, baby diapers, baby wipes and more. The Parade that is going to be viewed online on Monday 18, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at htvhouston.net or on Facebook.

Members of Council commented and questioned Mayor Turner and the Mayor's Report.

At 9:23 a.m. Mayor Turner requested Interim City Secretary to call the Agenda

CONSENT AGENDA NUMBERS 1 through 34

MISCELLANEOUS - NUMBERS 1 through 3

1. **RECOMMENDATION** from the Director of the Houston Health Department for approval to extend Unpaid Leave of Absence for **TERESITA LADRILLO, Bureau Chief, DDS, Bureau of Oral Health**, for the period January 3, 2021 to July 1, 2021 – Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2021-0024 ADOPTED**
2. **RECOMMENDATION** from the Chief of Police, Houston Police Department for approval of Extension of Injury on Duty Leave (Salary Continuation) for **Police Officer JARVIS ROBINS**, for the period September 21, 2020 to December 19, 2020 - Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2021-0025 ADOPTED**
3. **RECOMMENDATION** from the Director of the Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs for approval of Houston Art's Alliance Calendar Year 2021 Allocated HOT Revenues Budget Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2021-0026 ADOPTED**

ACCEPT WORK - NUMBER 4

4. **RECOMMENDATION** from Director General Services Department for approval of final contract amount of \$1,920,397.81 and acceptance of work on contract with **DRYMALLA CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC** for HFD Training Academy Burn Building Renovation - 5.56% over the original Guaranteed Maximum Price - **DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ** Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2021-0027 ADOPTED**

PURCHASING AND TABULATION OF BIDS - NUMBER 5

5. **GLOBE ELECTRIC SUPPLY, INC** for Purchase of Lab Total Organic Carbon Analyzers - \$36,250.00 - Enterprise Fund - **DISTRICT E – MARTIN** - Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2021-0028 ADOPTED**

ORDINANCES - NUMBERS 6 through 34

6. **ORDINANCE** ratifying, confirming and extending delegated authority under Ordinance No. 2020-0075 pertaining to Airports System Inferior Lien Revenue Bonds; ratifying and confirming related agreements; making certain findings and other declarations necessary and incidental to such matter; and declaring an emergency – Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0018 ADOPTED**

11. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing the submission of a grant application to the **TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT** for a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Building Resilience Infrastructure in Communities (BRIC) Grant to support infrastructure improvements in the Market Square Area Drainage System for flood risk reduction; declaring the City’s eligibility for such grants; authorizing the Director of the City of Houston Public Works (“Director”) to act as the City’s representative in the grant application process, to accept such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any pertaining to the program - **DISTRICT B – JACKSON** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2021-0019 ADOPTED

13. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing first amendment to the amended and restated Interlocal Agreement between Housing and Community Development Department and **HARRIS COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT** for CDBG-DR15 Flood Events Voluntary Housing Buyout Program - **DISTRICTS A - PECK; H - CISNEROS and J - POLLARD** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2021-0020 ADOPTED

14. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing second amendment to contract between City of Houston and **CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON** to extend the term of the contract and provide additional Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS ("HOPWA") Funds for the continuing administration and operation of a Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program, Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Assistance Program, along with other Supportive Services – 10 Months - **DISTRICT C – KAMIN** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2021-0021 ADOPTED

15. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing second amendment to contract between City of Houston and **HOUSTON SRO HOUSING CORPORATION**, to extend the term of the contract and provide additional Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS ("HOPWA") Funds for the continuing administration and operation of a Community Residence along with the provision of Supportive Services - **DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0022 ADOPTED**

16. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing second amendment to contract between City of Houston and **HOUSTON AREA COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC dba AVENUE 360** to extend the term of the contract and provide additional Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Funds for the continuing administration of a Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program, Short Term Rent, Mortgage and Utility Assistance Program, along with Permanent Housing Placement Services and other Supportive Services, and the operation of a Transitional Medical Respite Facility - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2021-0023 ADOPTED

18. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$936,479.06 out of HAS Airports Improvement Fund as an additional appropriation to the Professional Engineering Services Contract between City of Houston and **REYNOLDS, SMITH AND HILLS, INC** for Construction Administration Services for the reconstruction of Taxiway WB at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston (Approved by Ordinance No's. 2014-0522 and 2018-657) (Project No. 651) - **DISTRICT B – JACKSON** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2021-0024 ADOPTED
19. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$7,000,000.00 out of HAS Consolidated ITRP AMT Construction Fund as an additional appropriation and approving and authorizing Amendment No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement between City of Houston and **TURNER & TOWNSEND, INC** for Executive Program Management Services at George Bush Intercontinental Airport/Houston for the Houston Airport System, (Project No. 800) (as approved by Ordinance No. 2015-0167, as amended) - **DISTRICT B - JACKSON**
Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0025 ADOPTED**
20. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing fourth amendment to Lease Agreement between **WAYSIDE BUSINESS CENTER, LTD**, as Landlord, and City of Houston, Texas, as Tenant, for space at 4300 South Wayside, Houston, Harris County, Texas, for use by the Engineering and Construction Division of the Houston Public Works Department - 2 Years - \$82,447.20 - Project Cost Recovery Fund - **DISTRICT I - GALLEGOS** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2021-0026 ADOPTED
21. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Ground Lease between City of Houston, Texas, as Landlord, and **3919 SCOTT STREET, INC.**, as Tenant, covering 4500 square feet of unimproved land located adjacent to 3624 Scott Street, Houston, Harris County, Texas, for use as a surface parking lot - Revenue
DISTRICT D - EVANS-SHABAZZ - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2021-0027 ADOPTED
22. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2016-0116, as amended, to increase maximum contract amount for contract between City of Houston and **WAGeworks, INC** for Professional Services related to Flexible Spending Accounts Program administration services for Health and Dependent Care, and Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) Administration Services for City employees \$86,000.00 - Health Benefits Fund - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2021-0028 ADOPTED
24. **ORDINANCE** amending Ordinance No. 2014-007, as amended by Ordinance Nos. 2016-0322 and 2018-0814, approving and authorizing second amendment to agreement between City of Houston and **AT&T CORP** to extend the contract term for Central Office-Based Communications Systems Services (Plexar) for Houston Information Technology Services, and extend the maximum contract amount - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0029 ADOPTED**
25. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing contract between City of Houston and **INTERISE, INC** for purchase of Licenses for Curriculum and Supporting Materials for the Office of Business; providing a maximum contract amount - 3 Years - \$38,000 - Enterprise Fund - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.
ORDINANCE 2021-0030 ADOPTED

26. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$470,262.04 out of Reimbursement of Equipment/Projects Fund to purchase new Dispatch Consoles for the Emergency Communication Division of the Houston Police Department; the appropriated funds will be reimbursed by the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0031 ADOPTED**
27. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 5.00 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 183**, for inclusion in the district - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0032 ADOPTED**
28. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 0.1452 acres of land to **PORTER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**, for inclusion in the district - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0033 ADOPTED**
29. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 7.46 acres of land to **HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 127**, for inclusion in the district - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0034 ADOPTED**
30. **ORDINANCE** consenting to the addition of 0.6504 acres of land to **NORTHWEST HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 12**, for inclusion in the district - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0035 ADOPTED**
32. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing 2020 contract by and between **SAN JACINTO RIVER AUTHORITY** and City of Houston relating to the ongoing operation of the Lake Conroe Dam and Reservoir – The Interim City Secretary advised that the Administration had pulled Item 32 and will not be considered.
33. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$50,000.00 out of Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund-Ad Valorem Tax; approving and authorizing an Advanced Funding Agreement between City of Houston and **TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT)** for the replacement or rehabilitation of ten (10) structurally deficient and functionally obsolete bridges - **DISTRICTS B - JACKSON; D - EVANS-SHABAZZ; E - MARTIN; F - THOMAS; I - GALLEGOS and K - CASTEX-TATUM** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0036 ADOPTED**
34. **ORDINANCE** appropriating \$1,417,681.29 out of Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund – Ad Valorem Tax; approving and authorizing first amendment to the Professional Engineering Services Contract between City of Houston and **FCM ENGINEERS, P.C.** for Antoine Paving and Drainage from Victory to West Gulf Bank (Approved by Ordinance No. 2017-0652); providing funding for CIP Cost Recovery relating to construction of facilities financed by the Dedicated Drainage and Street Renewal Capital Fund – Ad Valorem Tax - **DISTRICT A – PECK** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0037 ADOPTED**

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

7. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing agreement between City of Houston and **BRACEWELL LLP** for Bond Counsel Services for Various City Departments; providing a maximum contract amount

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2254.1036, the following written notice is given to the public: The City desires to sell bonds for public purposes as authorized by State law and as further set forth in the ordinance to finance or refinance various public projects. The proposed bond counsel, Bracewell LLP ("Bracewell"), is a full service firm that includes a national public finance practice and has the necessary competence, qualification and experience to serve as bond counsel for the City. Bracewell has previously represented the City in connection with the issuance of various bonds and other obligations since 2012, and prior to such time the same attorneys represented the City in connection with the issuance of bonds at a prior firm. The engagement of Bracewell is in the best interest of the City, since the legal services requested require specialized experience in municipal finance, federal tax, and state securities law and therefore cannot be adequately performed by the attorneys and supporting personnel of the City. Furthermore, such legal services cannot be reasonably obtained from attorneys in private practice for the payment of hourly fees without contingency because the City will not be obligated to pay any legal fees unless the transaction successfully closes – Was presented and **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER POLLARD**

8. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing agreement between City of Houston and **MCCALL, PARKHURST & HORTON LLP** for Bond Counsel Services for Various Departments; providing a maximum contract amount

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2254.1036, the following written notice is given to the public: The City desires to sell bonds for public purposes as authorized by State law and as further set forth in the ordinance to finance various public projects. The proposed bond counsel, McCall, Parkhurst & Horton, LLP ("McCall"), is a nationally recognized public finance law firm and has the necessary competence, qualification and experience to serve as bond counsel for the City. McCall has represented the City and various issuers in connection with the issuance of various bonds and other obligations. The engagement of McCall is in the best interest of the City, since the legal services requested require specialized experience in municipal finance, federal tax, and state securities law and therefore cannot be adequately performed by the attorneys and supporting personnel of the City. Furthermore, such legal services cannot be reasonably obtained from attorneys in private practice for the payment of hourly fees without contingency because the City will not be obligated to pay any legal fees unless the transaction successfully closes - Was presented and **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER POLLARD**

9. **ORDINANCE** approving agreement between City of Houston and **NORTON, ROSE FULBRIGHT US LLP** for Disclosure Counsel Services for Various Departments; providing a maximum contract amount
Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2254.1036, the following written notice is given to the public: The City desires to issue bonds for public purposes as authorized by State law, in accordance with federal securities law, and as further set forth in the ordinance to finance or refinance various public projects. The proposed disclosure counsel, Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP ("Norton Rose Fulbright"), is a full service firm that includes a national public finance practice and has the necessary competence, qualification and experience to serve as disclosure counsel for the City. Norton Rose Fulbright has previously represented the City in connection with the issuance of various bonds and other obligations for several years. The engagement of Norton Rose Fulbright is in the best interest of the residents of the City, since the legal services requested require specialized experience in municipal finance, federal tax, and state securities law and therefore cannot be adequately performed by the attorneys and supporting personnel of the City. Furthermore, such legal services cannot be reasonably obtained from attorneys in private practice for the payment of hourly fees without contingency because the City will not be obligated to pay any legal fees unless the transaction successfully closes - Was presented and **TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER POLLARD**
10. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing the submission of a grant application to the **TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT** for a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Building Resilience Infrastructure in Communities (BRIC) Grant to support evaluation of the risks of flooding in areas outside of the regulatory floodplain; declaring the City's eligibility for such grants; authorizing the Director of the City of Houston Public Works ("Director") to act as the City's representative in the grant application process, to accept such grant funds, if awarded, and to apply for and accept all subsequent awards, if any pertaining to the program - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0038 ADOPTED**
12. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing the submission of an application for grant assistance to the **TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD** for Community Flood Mitigation Assistance through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program; declaring the City's eligibility for such assistance; authorizing the Director of the City of Houston Public Works ("Director") 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 A - PECK and C – KAMIN** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0039 ADOPTED**
17. **ORDINANCE** approving and authorizing Surface Lease Agreement between City of Houston, Texas, as Landlord, and **SUNNYSIDE ENERGY LLC**, as Tenant for property located at 3502 Bellfort Avenue in Houston, Harris County, Texas - **DISTRICT D- EVANS-SHABAZZ** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0040 ADOPTED**

23. ORDINANCE approving and authorizing second amendment to agreement between City and **VIRTUO GROUP CORPORATION** for Professional Information Technology Cyber Security Consulting Services for Various Departments, to extend the term of the agreement and modify the scope of the original agreement (Approved by Ordinance Nos. 2014-0056 & 2019-0034 - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.

ORDINANCE 2021-0041 ADOPTED

31. ORDINANCE finding and determining the public convenience and necessity for the acquisition of real property interests in connection with the Public Improvement Project known as the **ANTOINE DRIVE PAVING and DRAINAGE PROJECT** (from Hammerly Boulevard to Hempstead Highway): authorizing the acquisition of fee simple or easement interest to twenty-five parcels of land required for the project and situated in the John Flowers Survey, Abstract No. 269, in Harris County, Texas, said parcels of land being located along Hammerly Boulevard, Hempstead Highway, and Antoine Drive in Houston, Harris County, Texas, by gift, dedication, purchase and the use of eminent domain and further authorizing payment of the costs of such purchases and/or eminent domain proceedings and associated costs for relocation assistance, appraisal fees, title policies/services, recording fees, court costs, and expert witness fees in connection with the acquisition of fee simple or easement interest to twenty-five parcels of land required for the project - **DISTRICT A – PECK** - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none.

ORDINANCE 2021-0042 ADOPTED

NON CONSENT AGENDA - NUMBERS 35 and 36

MISCELLANEOUS

35. MOTION TO SET A DATE not less than seven days from January 13, 2021, to receive nominations for Position One of the **PORT OF HOUSTON AUTHORITY OF HARRIS COUNTY**, for a two-year term – Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum to set the date for January 27, 2021 and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2021-0029 ADOPTED**

36. MOTION TO SET A DATE not less than seven days from January 13, 2021, to receive nominations for Positions One and Two and Two Alternate At-Large Positions of the **HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, for a one year term to expire December 31, 2021 - Was presented, moved by Council Member Castex-Tatum to set the date for January 27, 2021 and Seconded by Council Member Robinson, all voting aye, nays none. **MOTION 2021-0030 ADOPTED**

MATTERS HELD - NUMBER 37

37. ORDINANCE amending Ordinance Number 2019-830 to increase the maximum contract amount for contracts between City of Houston and **A-1 PERSONNEL OF HOUSTON, INC, EXECUTEAM STAFFING L.P., SMITH & DEAN, INC D/B/A DEAN'S PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**, and **LANESTAFFING, INC**, for Contingent Workforce Services for the Human Resources Department - 3 Years with two one-year options - \$6,000,000.00 - Central Service Revolving Fund

TAGGED BY COUNCIL MEMBER THOMAS

This was Item 23 on Agenda of January 6, 2021 - Was presented, all voting aye, nays none. **ORDINANCE 2021-0043 ADOPTED**

For more information and details from the City Council Meeting, please click here:
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MATTERS TO BE PRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS - Council Member Castex-Tatum first.

Members of Council announced events and discussed matters of interest.

There being no further business before Council, the City Council adjourned at 10:45 a.m.
Council Member Travis absent.

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

Pat J. Daniel, Interim City Secretary