

#### City of Houston Committee on Budget and Fiscal Affairs (BFA) Council Member Sallie Alcorn, BFA Chair Council Member Mario Castillo, BFA Vice-Chair

Amy Peck, District A Tarsha Jackson, District B Abbie Kamin, District C Carolyn Evans-Shabazz, District D Fred Flickinger, District E Tiffany D. Thomas, District F Mary Nan Huffman, District G Joaquin Martinez, District I, Labor Vice Chair Edward Pollard, District J Martha Castex-Tatum, District K Julian Ramirez, At-Large 1 Willie Davis, At-Large 2 Twila Carter, At-Large 3 Letitia Plummer, At-Large 4

# Tuesday, July 30, 2024, at 10:00 A.M.

This meeting will offer the options to participate via videoconference or in-person. The location for the committee meeting will be the Anna Russell Council Chamber at City Hall, 901 Bagby, 2nd Floor, Houston, Texas 77002. The meeting is open to the public.

# **Committee Report:**

#### Council members present: Peck, Jackson, Kamin, Huffman, Castillo, Martinez, Castex-Tatum, Ramirez, Davis, Carter, Plummer, Alcorn

# Council offices present: District D, District E, District F, District J

- 1. Welcoming remarks
  - Sallie Alcorn, Council Member, Chair
  - Mario Castillo, Council Member, Vice-Chair

# 2. Quarterly financial report

- Chris Hollins, City Controller
- Paula Lichanpanit, Interim Deputy Director, Finance Department

#### No action taken

- 3. Quarterly investment report and SWAP
  - Chris Hollins, City Controller

#### No action taken

- 4. Homeowners Assistance Program (HoAP) Performance Audit
  - Chris Hollins, City Controller

#### No action taken

- 5. Upcoming financial transactions
  - Alma Tamborello, Division Manager, Finance Department

#### No action taken

- 6. Delinquent tax collection contract overview
  - Arturo Michel, City Attorney, Legal Department

Action will be taken on item 9 listed above. Committee meetings are open to the public. For information about this committee, please contact Jordan McGinty Frazier at <u>atlarge5@houstontx.gov</u>.

• Rahat Huq, Senior Assistant City Attorney, Legal Department

# No action taken

- 7. Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson tax collection process and reporting
  - Tanya Eriksson Wood, Capital Partner, Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson
  - Trey Stone, Capital Partner, Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson
  - Patrick Shea, Accounting Manager, Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson

# No action taken

- 8. Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott tax collection process and reporting
  - Mike Darlow, Partner, Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott

# No action taken

- 9. RESOLUTION adopting the recommendation of the City Attorney to assign accounts overlapping with Humble, Clear Creek, Spring Branch, Pasadena, Alief, Galena Park, Klein, Fort Bend, and Aldine Independent School Districts, and those accounts located in multiple school districts (collectively Perdue assigned accounts) to PERDUE, BRANDON, FIELDER, COLLINS & MOTT, LLP and GREENBERG TRAU-RIG, LLP, functioning as a Joint Venture and to assign to LINEBARGER GOGGAN BLAIR & SAMPSON, LLP accounts overlapping all other areas of the City except for the Perdue assigned accounts under the City's respective contract with each law firm for the Collection of Delinquent Ad Valorem Taxes
  - Arturo Michel, City Attorney, Legal Department
  - Rahat Huq, Senior Assistant City Attorney, Legal Department

# Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Martha Castex-Taum to include Aldine, Cy-Fair\*, Huffman\*, New Caney\*, and Spring\* Independent School Districts and advance the item to full city council for consideration passed 10-1 by the committee.

# Aldine ISD was reassigned at city council on July 31, 2024. Cy-Fair, Huffman, New Caney and Spring will be considered on the August 14, 2024, council agenda.

10. Public comments - To sign up for public comment, please fill out the form at <a href="https://bit.ly/07302024BFAcomment">https://bit.ly/07302024BFAcomment</a> before 5:00 P.M. on Monday, July 29, 2024. Please indicate whether you will be speaking virtually or in-person. Public speakers wishing to continue under virtual mode will receive a call-in number that will allow them to speak at their designated time.