

**MINUTES
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2023**

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, April 3, 2023, at Houston City Hall Council Chambers, 601 S Grand Avenue with the following members present Mayor Willy Walker, Alderman Kevin Stilley, Alderman Sam Kelley, Alderman Michael Weakly, Alderwoman Sheila Walker, Alderman Don Romines, Alderwoman Angie Gettys, City Administrator Mark Campbell, City Clerk Heather Sponsler, and City Attorney Brad Eidson were also present.

Mayor Walker established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Walker led the council in the pledge of allegiance.

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderman Romines to approve the minutes for March 20, 2023, regular meeting. Motion passed with six yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderman Stilley to approve payment for payroll of March 27th, 2023 and fire department payroll. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley			x	
Alderman Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Kelley and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to approve payment of invoices for March 31th & April 3rd, 2023 (\$187,191.11) as presented. Motion passed with six yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

Guest:

Robbie Mortensen presented lifeguard wage increase \$13.00 for starting guards, \$16.00 for managers and those who come back each year get \$0.25 pay increase.

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderwoman Gettys to take park board recommendation for lifeguards and managers, which will be \$13.00 for lifeguards and \$16.00 for managers with a \$0.25 increase a year for those who return. The motion was passed with six yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

Charlie Shea updated council on planning and zoning meeting which passed the preliminary plan for Oakhill property (Wild Irish Farm).

Public Comments:

Kristie Miller inquired about upcoming health insurance bids and if insurance agents would be able to be present and explain questions.

The motion was made by Alderman Kelley and seconded by Alderman Romines to approve the preliminary plan regarding Oakhill property (Wild Irish Farm) Motion passed with six yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderman Romines to approve the RFP and RFQ for the Library. Motion passed with six yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Kelley and seconded by Alderman Weakly to resend resolution 2023-101R (Housing Incentives). Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley		x		
Alderman Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. Motion passed with six yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

Minutes Taken By

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk