

**MINUTES
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2022**

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, 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 Don Romines, Alderwoman Angie Gettys, City Clerk Heather Sponsler, Chief Brad Evans, 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 council in the pledge of allegiance.

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Kelley to approve the minutes for August 15, 2022, regular meeting. 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 Alderman Romines to approve the minutes for August 15, 2022, closed meeting. 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 seconded by Alderman Kelley to approve the minutes for August 19, 2022, special closed meeting. 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 for payroll of August 15th & 29th, 2022. 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 September 2nd & 6th, 2022 (\$123,739.02) as presented. 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			

Guest: Brenda Senter spoke on upcoming events, would like the city to advertise for the turkey trot and donate \$400.00 for additional advertisement. The Emmett Kelly festival is set for the last weekend in April, Brenda will be in contact with the city on details later.

Darren Ice gave an equipment/vehicle update on maintenance along with a rotation schedule. He also spoke about state bid opening for F150 in October.

Chief Brad Evans presented a bid for body cameras in the amount of \$4495.00, these cameras are cloud based and have been tried out by the officers with good reviews.

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to donate \$400.00 to the turkey trot for advertisement. 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 Alderman Romines to allow the police department to enter a contract with Lenslock for body cameras in the amount of \$4495.00 for five years. 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			

Randon Brown gave an update on fiber, north phase is pretty much finished splicers will be back for few days. He spoke about a place on Fredrick and Oakhill that has damage and gave quotes to repair those sections. Randon also suggested to contract Mike Arnold for \$325.00 per house to trench, this would speed up the process to get customers hooked up to fiber.

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderwoman Gettys to contract Mike Arnold to trench in our fiber and not to exceed \$12,000.00. Motion was 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 Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Romines to close this part of the meeting pursuant to Section 610.021 (1,2,3). Motion passed with five roll call 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 Alderman Stilley to go back into open session. Motion was passed with five roll call 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 Alderwoman Walker to allow Dan Narancich to be a member on the park board. Motion passed with four 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 Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Romines to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. 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			

Minutes Taken By

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk