

**MINUTES
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2021**

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, February 1, 2021 at Houston City Hall Council Chambers, 601 S Grand Avenue with the following members present Mayor Willy Walker, Alderman Kevin Stilley, Alderman Joe Honeycutt, Alderman Michael Weakly, Alderman Ross Richardson, Alderwoman Kim Bittle, City Administrator Scott Avery, City Clerk Heather Sponsler, Chief Tim Ceplina 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 Alderman Richardson and seconded by Alderwoman Bittle to approve the minutes for January 19, 2021 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 Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderman Stilley to approve the minutes for January 19, 2021 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 Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve payment for payroll of January 19, 2021. Motion passed with four yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley			x	
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

The motion was made by Alderwoman Bittle and seconded by Alderman Weakly to approve payment of invoices for January 29th & February 1st, 2021 (\$220,428.72) 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 Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

Guest: Chief Tim Ceplina presented yearly totals for the police department.

Bill 100 to become Ordinance 2021-100 (Visu -Sewer). The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderwoman Bittle to place Bill 100 on first reading by title only. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

Bill 100 to become Ordinance 2021-100 (Visu -Sewer). The motion was made by Alderman Honeycutt and seconded by Alderman Stilley to place Bill 100 on second and final reading by title only. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

The motion was by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderwoman Bittle to authorize the Mayor to sign Visu-Sewer contract and not to exceed \$225,000. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

Bill 101 to become Ordinance 2021-101 (Planning and Zoning Committee). The motion was made by Alderman Honeycutt and seconded by Alderman Weakly to place Bill 101 on first reading by title only. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

Bill 101 to become Ordinance 2021-101 (Planning and Zoning Committee). The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderwoman Bittle to place Bill 101 on second and final reading by title only. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderman Honeycutt to move forward with MoDot tentative allocation letter in the amount of \$520,000.00 to replace runway lights at the airport. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Honeycutt and seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve and authorize Mayor Walker to sign declaration of dedication regarding Westside Outdoor Park. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderman Weakly to sign MoDot grant authorization form for the police department which will allow the department to apply for MoDot grants. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderman Weakly to approve SMC quote for purchase of battery backup in the amount of \$11,918.68. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Richardson and seconded by Alderman Weakly to adjourn at 6:58 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 Honeycutt	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Bittle	x			

Minutes Taken By

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk