

**MINUTES  
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024**

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, February 5, 2024, at Houston City Hall Council Chambers, 601 S Grand Avenue with the following members present Mayor Viki Narancich, Alderman Fred Stottlemyre, Alderman Don Romines, Alderwoman Sheila Walker, Alderwoman Angie Gettys, Alderman Tim Ceplina, Alderman Kevin Stilley, City Administrator Lloyd Wells, City Clerk Heather Sponsler, and City Attorney Sean Smith were also present.

Mayor Narancich called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.  
City Clerk Sponsler called roll call and established a quorum.  
Mayor Narancich led the council in the pledge of allegiance.

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderman Ceplina to approve the minutes for January 22, 2024, 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 Stottlemyre	x			
Alderman Ceplina	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Stottlemyre and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to approve the minutes for January 22, 2024, closed meeting. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

The motion was made by Alderman Ceplina and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to approve payment for payroll of January 16<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Romines to approve payment of invoices for February 2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (\$788,765.24) 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 Stottlemire	x			
Alderman Ceplina	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

Guest: Chief Brad Evans gave an annual update for the police department, numbers are down from prior year.

Chief Robbie Smith gave recommendation on bunker gear he needs to order also a update the training tower which is at 50%, he would like to go out for foundation bids.

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Romines to accept the bid from Macqueen Emergency in the amount of \$12,473.32 for bunker gear. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderman Ceplina to allow Chief Smith to go out for concrete work bids at the training facility location. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

Guest:

Kevin Buck spoke about the summer festival downtown on June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024, he listed many events to take place at the festival.

Rustin Miller spoke on behalf of the chamber regarding the expired contract with the city as well as the finances of the chamber.

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderwoman Gettys to approve quote from ITsavy for rack stations in the amount of \$6,746.60. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

The motion was made by Alderman Ceplina and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to accept bid from Bobcat in Rolla for mower in the amount of \$10,093.30. Motion died with six no votes.

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

The motion was made by Alderman Ceplina and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to accept bid from S&H supply for Cub Cadet Pro Z 972L in the amount of \$12,964.00. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderman Ceplina to purchase 5 25kva single pad mount transformers in the amount of \$24,290.00 from Cape Electric. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

The motion made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to purchase 3 25kva single phase transformers and 5 25kva pad mount transformers in the amount of \$38,160.00. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Romines to purchase 2,500 ft #2 primary wire and 2,500ft 1/0 primary wire in the amount of \$22,475.00 from Fletcher Reinhardt. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to approve recommendation from personnel committee regarding pay increase for all departments of 3% and increase 7 police officers pay in the amount of \$1.92 an hour. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

Bill 102 to become Ordinance 2024-102 (narcotics paraphernalia). The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Romines to place Bill 102 on second and final reading by title only. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

Bill 103 to become Ordinance 2024-103 (possession of marijuana). The motion was made by Alderwoman Gettys and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to place Bill 103 on second and final reading by title only. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

Bill 104 to become Ordinance 2024-104 (marijuana accessories). The motion was made by Alderman Ceplina and seconded by Alderwoman Gettys to place Bill 104 on second and final reading by title only. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

Bill 105 to become Ordinance 2024-105 (consumption of marijuana). The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to place Bill 105 on second and final reading by title only. Motion passed with six yes votes.

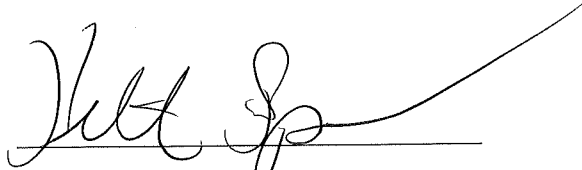
	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Stottlemeyre	x			
Alderman Ceplina	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

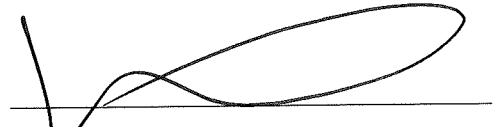
Bill 106 to become Ordinance 2024-106 (public consumption of marijuana). The motion was made by Alderman Ceplina and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to place Bill 106 on second and final reading by title only. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

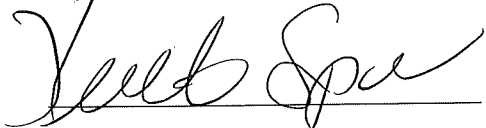
The motion was made by Alderman Ceplina and seconded by Alderman Romines to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. Motion passed with six yes votes.

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

  
Minutes Taken By

  
Mayor

Attest:

  
City Clerk