

**MINUTES  
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2024**

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, January 22, 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 Stottlemyre and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to approve the minutes for January 2, 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 Alderwoman Gettys and seconded by Alderman Ceplina to approve the minutes for January 2, 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 2<sup>nd</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 January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (\$245,347.64) 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 Robbie Smith gave yearly total for the fire department with breakdown on call and outlined goals for upcoming year. He also gave update on training tower and stated it was running ahead of schedule.

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderman Ceplina to approve and pay invoices from A&W Communication (portable radios) in the amount of \$11,069.76 and Macqueen Emergency (gear) in the amount of \$9,008.01. 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 Alderman Ceplina and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to approve and pay Harry Cooper in the amount of \$13,876.40 for four Mueller hydrants. 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 Gettys to approve and pay Macqueen in the amount of \$10,508.34 for two commando dual battery PPV fans. 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			

Public Comments:

Marty Merckling had questions in regards to the city involvement with Pinery River Sports Complex and does not think there needs to be a donation or utility break.

Bill 102 to become Ordinance 2024-102 (narcotics paraphernalia). The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderman Ceplina to place Bill 102 on first 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 first 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 Stottlemire	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 Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Romines to place Bill 104 on first 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 Stottlemire	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 Ceplina and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to place Bill 105 on first 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 Stottlemire	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 Romines and seconded by Alderman Ceplina to place Bill 106 on first 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			

The motion was made by Alderman Ceplina and seconded by Alderwoman Walker approve invoice for dump truck for public grounds in the amount of \$48,000.00. Motion was passed with six yes votes.

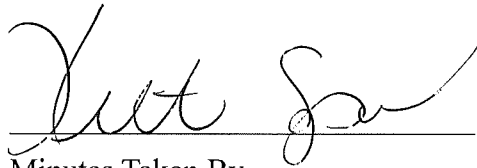
	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Stilley	x			
Alderman Stottlemyre	x			
Alderman Ceplina	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			


The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Romines to close this part of the meeting pursuant to Section 610.021 (1), (2). Motion passed with six roll call 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 Alderman Romines to adjourn at 9:09 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 Stottlemyre	x			
Alderman Ceplina	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

  
Minutes Taken By

  
Mayor

Attest:  
  
City Clerk