

**MINUTES
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2024**

The Houston City Council met in special session at 5:15 P.M. on Wednesday, September 11th, 2024, at Houston City Hall Council Chambers, 601 S. Grand Avenue with the following members present: Mayor Viki Narancich, Alderman Sam Kelley, Alderman Tim Ceplina, Alderwoman Angie Gettys, Alderwoman Sheila Walker, Alderman Fred Stottlemire, City Administrator Lloyd Wells and Deputy City Clerk Sarah Moore. Alderman Don Romines was absent.

Mayor Narancich called the meeting to order at 5:27 P.M.
 Mayor Narancich led the council in the pledge of allegiance.
 Deputy City Clerk Moore called roll call.
 Mayor Narancich established a quorum.

Public Comments:
 None

The Missouri Ethics Commission- Conflicts of Interest Bill 117 was presented to the council members for review.

The motion was made by Alderman Ceplina and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to place Bill 117 on first reading by title only to become Ordinance 2024- 117. Motion carried with five yes votes.

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

The motion was made by Alderwoman Gettys and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to place Bill 117 on second and final reading by title only to become Ordinance 2024- 117. Motion carried with five roll call votes.

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

Senior Center Parking Entrance-

Mayor Narancich presented to council members a request for \$4800 on behalf of the Senior Center. They are replacing the sidewalk, entrance and parking lot to make the area ADA compliant, which is not currently. The \$4800 would cover the total cost of the sidewalk and entrance only.

The motion was made by Alderman Kelley and seconded by Alderman Ceplina to approve for \$4800 to be paid in reimbursement for the senior center replacement of the sidewalk and entrance. Motion carried with five yes votes.

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

Miscellaneous:

Mayor Narancich discussed new interest rates on a 6 month CD option. Council members had a brief discussion but did not want to make changes at this time.

Comments:

Alderman Walker mentioned potentially increasing the hours of the administrative assistant as the city clerk position remains vacant.

Mayor Narancich brought up Christmas lights and potentially setting up a light display. Conversation took place about a lighting contest for commercial/residential lights, with the winners receiving utility credits.

Alderman Gettys discussed the idea of hanging flags/banners on the poles in front of the school.

The motion was made by Alderman Walker and seconded by Alderman Ceplina to close this session of the meeting at 5:55 P.M. and move to executive session in pursuant to Section 610.021 subsection (1) contracts. Motion carried with five roll call votes.

| | <u>Aye</u> | <u>Nay</u> | <u>Abstaining</u> | <u>Not Present</u> |
|----------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Alderman Kelley | x | | | |
| Alderman Stottlemire | x | | | |
| Alderman Ceplina | x | | | |
| Alderman Walker | x | | | |
| Alderman Romines | | | | x |
| Alderman Gettys | x | | | |

The motion was made by Alderman Ceplina and seconded by Alderman Walker to adjourn at 6:57 P.M. Motion carried with five yes votes.

| | <u>Aye</u> | <u>Nay</u> | <u>Abstaining</u> | <u>Not Present</u> |
|----------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Alderman Kelley | x | | | |
| Alderman Stottlemire | x | | | |
| Alderman Ceplina | x | | | |
| Alderman Walker | x | | | |
| Alderman Romines | | | | x |
| Alderman Gettys | x | | | |

Minutes Taken By:

Mayor

Attest:

Deputy City Clerk