

**MINUTES
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2022**

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, April 4, 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 Michael Weakly, Alderwoman Sheila Walker, Alderman Ross Richardson, Alderwoman Angie Gettys, City Administrator Scott Avery, City Clerk Heather Sponsler, Lieutenant Matt Woodmansee, 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 Weakly and seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve the minutes for March 21, 2022, 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 Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderman Kelley to approve the minutes for March 21, 2022, 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 Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderwoman Gettys and seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve the minutes for March 28, 2022 special closed meeting. Motion was passed with six 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 Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderman Weakly to approve payment for payroll of March 28, 2022, and fire payroll. Motion passed with six 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 Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to approve payment of invoices for April 1st & 4th, 2022 (\$95,834.77) 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 Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

Guest:

Kelly Beets with MIRMA talked about the difference with Starguard, Ellis and Red Cross for lifeguard training. Kelly believes Starguard and Ellis hold a higher standard for guards and cities.

Toni McKinney spoke about Red Cross and Starguard, her opinion was they both are best for our city, Starguard has a great auditing program but felt their teaching was lacking.

Shannon Jordan gave an update on Emmett Kelly festival.

Brandon Maberry introduced his self.

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderman Weakly to approve airport agreement in the amount of \$21,401.82 and allow the mayor to sign agreement. Motion passed with six 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 Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Kelley and seconded by Alderman Weakly to purchase a transformer from Cape Electric in the amount of \$86,096.74 and purchase backup transformer from Fletcher -Reinhart in the amount of \$71,500.00. Motion passed with six 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 Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Kelley and seconded by Alderman Richardson to purchase three CD's for \$100,000 each for 12,24,36 month term. Motion passed with six 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 Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Richardson and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to donate \$300.00 to Celebration for Life. Motion passed with six 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 Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

City Administrator Scott Avery will reach out to legal counsel to see how to proceed with Lagers retirement funds.

Alderman Richardson spoke on grass policy; no motion was made.

The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderman Kelley to close this part of the meeting pursuant to Section 610.021 (1). Motion passed with six 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 Richardson	x			

Aldерwoman Gettys x

The motion was made by Aldерwoman Walker and seconded by Aldерman Kelley to go back into open session. Motion was passed with six roll call votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Aldерman Stilley	x			
Aldерman Kelley	x			
Aldерman Weakly	x			
Aldерwoman Walker	x			
Aldерman Richardson	x			
Aldерwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Aldерwoman Gettys and seconded by Aldерwoman Walker to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. Motion passed with six yes votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Aldерman Stilley	x			
Aldерman Kelley	x			
Aldерman Weakly	x			
Aldерwoman Walker	x			
Aldерman Richardson	x			
Aldерwoman Gettys	x			

Minutes Taken By

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk