

**MINUTES
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY FEBRUARY 20, 2023**

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, February 20, 2023, 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 Don Romines, Alderwoman Angie Gettys, City Administrator Mark Campbell, City Clerk Heather Sponsler, Officer Travis Thompson, 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 the council in the pledge of allegiance.

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Romines to approve the minutes for February 6, 2023, 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 Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to approve the minutes for February 20, 2023, closed meeting with correction. 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 Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderman Kelley to approve payment for payroll of February 13th, 2023. 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 Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to approve payment of invoices for February 17th, 2023 (\$53,929.06) 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 Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

Public Comments:

Darrell Vandivort spoke about the development on Hawthorn and King St and his concerns. He feels there is safety concerns with cars parked on Hawthorn hinders visibility. He also brought up concerns of water run off with continued development.

Betty Emery spoke about the safety with cars on Hawthorn and afraid someone will get hurt. She also has concerns with water run off and questioned why the ditches and culverts have not been done on Hawthorn.

Robbie Smith presented PPE along with his recommendation to go with MacQueen.

The motion was made by Alderwoman Gettys and seconded by Alderman Romines to approve bid for bunker gear in the amount of \$18,619.26 from MacQueen. 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 Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made Alderman Kelley and seconded by Alderman Weakly to go out of bid for attorney services. Motion was not passed with four no 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 Romines		x		
Alderwoman Gettys		x		

The motion was made by Alderwoman Gettys and seconded by Alderman Romines for Attorney Brad Eidson to receive the 8.3% cola as stated in the budget. Motion passed with four 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 Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

Bill 102R to become Resolution 2023-102 (CID). The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderman Kelley to place Bill 102R on first and final reading by title only. Motion passed with five 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 Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys			x	

The motion was made by Alderman Kelley and seconded by Alderman Weakly to approve Mayor Walkers appointment Preston Wade to the Park Board. 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 Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

In regards to Lauderdale phases 2 & 3, plans need to be provided with more detail to council as well as culdesac regulations need to be followed.

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to approve the greens mower lease. 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 Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderwoman Gettys to approve the ratification of the greens lease. 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 Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderman Kelley to allow Brad Eidson to draw up a legal document between the City and Lawson on Mockingbird Lane. 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 Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to adjourn at 7:35 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 Kelley	x			
Alderman Weakly	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

Minutes Taken By

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk