

**MINUTES
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2021**

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, June 7, 2021, 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, 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 Stilley to approve the minutes for May 17, 2021, 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 Richardson to approve the minutes for May 24, 2021, special 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 Alderwoman Walker to approve payment for payroll of May 24th, 2021. Motion passed with five 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 Alderman Weakly to approve payment of invoices for June 4th & 7th, 2021 (\$323,182.07) as presented. Motion passed with five 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:

Rebecca Baker with KPM, presented basic financial statements and talked about highlighted points. City had another good audit and feedback from KPM.

Tim Ceplina was presented his badge and service pistol by Mayor Walker. Mayor Walker thanked him for years of service with the city.

Karen James with Drury University distributed handouts on different grants available to those who apply, along with upcoming courses for fall.

Bill 107R to become Resolution 2021-107 (MoDot Funding). The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderwoman Gettys to place Bill 107R on first reading. 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			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

Bill 107R to become Resolution 2021-107 (MoDot Funding). The motion was made by Alderman Richardson and seconded by Alderwoman Gettys to place Bill 107R on second and final reading by title only. 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			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

Tweed property update, City Administrator Scott Avery will make arrangements, with forestry department to look at trees that need to be trimmed down. Scott will also get with Amy Ludwig about left over funds to have professionals come in and trim the trees.

The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderman Stilley to accept quote from Graybar in the amount of \$13,477.12 for 16 port g-pond connectors. 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 Richardson and seconded by Alderman Stilley for a letter to be submitted to CASA from City Administrator in regard to alcohol at upcoming golf tournament. Motion passed with five 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 accept settlement agreement with MIRMA in the amount of \$21,764.02 and allow the mayor to sign. 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 Alderman Weakly to reimburse FEMA through SEMA to close out project 526 in the amount of \$23,301.10. 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			

Alderman Weakly and Alderman Kelley asked City Administrator to look into ED position such as rewritten and look at other components.

The motion was made by Alderman Stilley and seconded by Alderman Richardson to donate \$4000.00 to the Chamber for fireworks. 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 Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderwoman Gettys to close this part of the meeting pursuant to Section 610.021 (1), (2) or (3). 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			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderman Kelley to adjourn at 8:20 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 Richardson	x			
Alderwoman Gettys	x			

Minutes Taken By

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk