

**MINUTES  
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021**

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 18, 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, Chief Brad Evans 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 Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderwoman Gettys to approve the minutes for October 4, 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 Richardson and seconded by Alderman Weakly to approve the minutes for October 4, 2021, 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 Stilley to approve the minutes for October 11, 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 Walker and seconded by Alderman Kelley to approve payment for payroll of October 12, 2021. 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 Walker and seconded by Alderman Richardson to approve payment of invoices for October 15<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (\$435,705.40) 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: Brad Rees presented ideas for incentives for home builders and asked the council to think about it while preparing budget. The IDA is looking at population and growth as well as helping the shortage of homes available to buy or rent.

Angie Quinlan asked that the streets downtown could be closed for Halloween event October 30<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm. Mayor Walker is ok with closing the streets for the event.

The motion was made by Alderman Weakly and seconded by Alderman Kelley to go with Don Kelley telecommunication company in the amount of \$29,640.00 for boring. 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 Alderwoman Walker to approve option #2 playground equipment for Westside Park from Little Tikes in the amount of \$50,000. 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 approve to accept Dotson Excavating bid in the amount of \$89,910.60 for the Brushy Creek stabilization at the wastewater treatment plant. 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 Weakly to approve purchase of hardware for pon 3 and 4 and not to exceed \$91,000. 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 Weakly and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to adjourn at 7:54 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          |            |                   |                    |

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Minutes Taken By

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Mayor

Attest:

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City Clerk