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MINUTES
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY JULY 1, 2013

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday July 1, 2013 at Houston City Hall Council Chambers, 601 S Grand Avenue with the following members present: Mayor Don Tottingham, Alderman Joe Honeycutt, Alderwoman Sharon Sillyman, Alderman Chalky Wells, Alderwoman Sheila Walker, Alderman Don Romines, Alderman David Arthur and City Clerk Tonya Foster, City Attorney Brad Eidson and Police Officer Mat Woodmansee were also present.

Mayor Tottingham established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Wells to approve the minutes for the June 17, 2013 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderman Wells to approve payment for payroll of June 19, 2013. Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Wells and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to approve payment of invoices for June 28 & July 1, 2013 (\$110,272.96) as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

Guests: Brad Evans, Jesse Monroe and Rooke.

Officer Brad Evans introduced Rooke the K-9 dog that the police department is purchasing.

Rooke's trainer, Jesse Monroe was here to answer questions and turn Rooke over to Brad. Brad and Rooke will continue training with Mr. Monroe. Rooke will be at the 5K fund raiser July 13, 2013.

Bill 104 to become Ordinance 2013-104. (Bill 104 has been posted) An ordinance amending the charges and billing of utilities. The motion was made by Alderman Arthur and seconded by Alderwoman Sillyman to place Bill 104 on first reading by title only. Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

Bill 105 to become Ordinance 2013-105. (Bill 105 has been posted) An ordinance requiring utility service to occupied structures. The motion was made by Alderman Arthur and seconded by Alderman Honeycutt to place Bill 105 on second and final reading by title only. Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Wells to adopt Bill 105 as Ordinance 2013-105. Motion passed with six yes roll call votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

Bill 106 to become Ordinance 2013-106. (Bill 106 has been posted) An ordinance authorizing the City Administrator to execute a contract. The motion was made by Alderman Honeycutt and seconded by Alderwoman Sillyman to place Bill 106 on first reading by title only. Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Wells to place Bill 106 on second and final reading by title only. Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderman Wells to adopt Bill 106 as Ordinance 2013-106. Motion passed with six yes roll call votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

The City had a request to transfer airport hanger leases. The request was from the sons of Mike Manier to transfer his three leases to the three boys and Romines Motor lease to the Manier boys. The motion was made by Alderwoman Sillyman and seconded by Alderman Wells to transfer two of the Manier leases and the Romines lease to, Chuck, Kirk, and Scott Manier. When doors are installed on hanger #8 and it is inspected to the City's approval will transfer that lease. Motion passed with the following votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines			x	
Alderman Arthur	x			

Discussed the six properties that were inspected. None of these properties are being occupied. The motion was made by Alderman Arthur and seconded by Alderman Wells to proceed with the next step on all the properties. Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

With the addition to the Rural Fire Station there is a concern about the Library parking. The Mayor and Alderman Romines attended a library board meeting about this concern. The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderwoman Walker to install a sidewalk/ramp west of the library to line up with the current sidewalk, to allow for library parking on the HDC parking lot. Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

Administrator Report July 1, 2012

1. On Sunday, June 23, the Electric Dept with assistance from Jerry Jackson and Keith Hamilton completed a large stretch of the electric conversion (Second Street North through Oak Hill Drive and locations east of Hwy 63). Power was restored in the expected time frame and only one transformer blew and was replaced. Good Job.
2. T Hanger project expected to kick-off July 8th.
3. Tonya has collected funds from the state of Missouri unclaimed property list for the city.
4. Jerry Jackson, Ray West and pump manufacturer still working on the problems at the plant. Small impeller and slower speed are being considered as corrective action. Testing continues.
5. Public grounds staying busy mowing and weed eating.

6. Water line repair on Cedar Ridge (replaced copper line with poly) sludge has been hauled daily, driveway repair in various locations, repaired hydrant at Ozark and Pine, and pumped out and cleaned clarifier at plant.
7. Attended, with Ron Reed, an RP3 application meeting that was hosted by MPUA in Columbia. If the city becomes a certified electric provider it could enhance industrial prospects as well as be another good selling point for the city.
8. Council needs to determine what to do with the homes city has inspected.
9. Notified June 24th that SCOCOG has taken over the Solid Waste Management District which includes Houston.

Heard that the City's contribution to LAGERS will increase 1%.

The motion was made by Alderman Wells and seconded by Alderwoman Sillyman to close this part of the meeting pursuant to Section 610.021 (1). Motion passed unanimously with six roll call votes.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderwoman Sillyman to return to open session at 8:04 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Wells to approve the recommendation from the park board on the layout for Rutherford Park. (#5 layout). Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

Alderman Romines had a citizen ask questions about the proposed sidewalk on Oak Hill Drive. This project is still in the preliminary stages. Will let the public know when drawings are available for viewing.

What is the plan for the dead tree outside of city hall, waiting on logger to take care of. City Administrator will follow up on this.

Discussed the lot behind OK Tire needing vehicles removed. Will have the police department follow up.

Will contact insurance company on insurance for the K-9 dog.

City finished up with the recommendations from the property insurance audit that was conducted.

Will have a new proposed personnel manual soon, would like for all to read and give their opinion.

The motion was made by Alderman Romines and seconded by Alderman Wells to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstaining</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
Alderman Honeycutt	x			
Alderwoman Sillyman	x			
Alderman Wells	x			
Alderwoman Walker	x			
Alderman Romines	x			
Alderman Arthur	x			

Minutes Taken By

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk