

**MINUTES
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY MAY 2, 2016**

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday May 2, 2016 at Houston City Hall Council Chambers, 601 S Grand Avenue with the following members present: Mayor Don Tottingham, Alderman Joe Honeycutt, Alderwoman Mary Barnes, Alderman Chalky Wells, Alderwoman Sheila Walker, Alderwoman Viki Narancich, Alderman David Arthur and City Administrator Larry Sutton, City Clerk Tonya Foster, City Attorney Brad Eidson and Chief Tim Ceplina were also present.

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

The motion was made by Alderman Wells and seconded by Alderwoman Barnes to approve the minutes for the April 18, 2016 regular meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

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

The motion was made by Alderman Wells and seconded by Alderman Honeycutt to approve payment for payroll of April 18, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

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

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Arthur to approve payment of invoices for April 29 & May 2, 2016 (\$90,502.98) as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Guests: Bob Kutz.

Mr. Kutz addressed council over his concerns about the dogs in his neighborhood. Was advised to speak with the police department.

City Clerk Tonya Foster administered the oath of office to Alderman Joe Honeycutt.

Mayor Tottingham gave his recommendations for the annual appointments and council committees.

Mayor Appointments May 2016

City Administrator	Larry Sutton
City Clerk	Tonya Foster
City Attorney	Brad Eidson
Police Chief	Tim Ceplina
Municipal Judge	Mike Anderson
Fire Chief	Joey Moore
City Treasurer	Bruce Wilson
Emergency Management Director	Jeremy St John

Planning & Zoning

Angie Gettys	2017
Willy Johnson	2018
Rita Ruckert	2018
*Steve Hutcheson	2019
Carl Honeycutt	2019
Joe Stockard	2020
Charles Shea	2020
Sheila Walker	City Council
Mary Barnes	City Council
Larry Sutton	City Administrator
Don Tottingham	Mayor

Board of Adjustment

Bonnie McElroy	2017
Dennis Maxwell	2018
*Roger Holder	2019
John Stenger	2020
Gene Gentry	2021

Parks & Recreation

*Toni McKinney	2017
Trevor Ozier	2017
Missy Gayer	2018
Fawn Bell	2018
Glen Abney	2018
Kim Bittle	2019
Mike Kelly	2019
Mike Pacheco	2019
Heather Sponsler	Secretary

IDA Board

Justin Shelby	2017
*Carl Honeycutt	2018
Brad Rees	2019
Eric Wells	2020
Tom Dunn	2021

* Denoted Chairman

City Council Committees

Public Grounds & Airport	*Joe Honeycutt Chalky Wells Viki Narancich
Utilities & Buildings	Joe Honeycutt Chalky Wells *Viki Narancich
Economic Development	Joe Honeycutt Sheila Walker *David Arthur
Finance	Mary Barnes *Sheila Walker David Arthur
Personnel	*Mary Barnes Sheila Walker David Arthur
Police & Fire	Mary Barnes *Chalky Wells Viki Narancich

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Wells to approve the recommendation from the Mayor on the appointments and committees. Motion passed unanimously.

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

The motion was made by Alderman Wells and seconded by Alderman Arthur to nominate Alderwoman Sheila Walker as Mayor Pro-Tem to replace outgoing Alderman Don Romines. Motion passed unanimously.

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

City Administrator Sutton briefed the council on the meeting with the Planning & Zoning committee held earlier. Discussed rezoning East & West Hwy 17 and expanding city limits. City Administrator and Chairman Hutcheson will meet to discuss proposals and have another Planning & Zoning meeting.

Discussed using the budgeted road oil money on the asphalt project.

The motion was made by Alderman Honeycutt and seconded by Alderman Wells to approve using the \$20,000 for the asphalt project. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Discussed changing the council meeting time to 6:30 p.m. Will make final decision at the next meeting.

Administrator Report
May 2, 2016

1. Is council OK with using the \$20,000 budgeted for road oil to do additional asphalt work this spring? With the price being what it is should be a good investment and also take care of some downtown cross streets needing it.
2. Mike Sparks last date of official employment will be June 1, 2016.
3. Well drilling completed on Wed, 4/27/16. We had to go the full depth of 1200 feet, past the Potosi and into the Derby formation. Flow appears good, water is clear and without odor. A test pump will be installed to determine exact specs needed for our pump requirements.
4. Heard from Pace Construction on the asphalt program. They plan to start early July.
5. Finally received reimbursement from FEMA/SEMA for last summer's culvert wash out on Spruce. \$11,572.46 was deposited into general fund. Met with members of FEMA April 21 and will be meeting them again in May to see if we would be eligible for work behind visitor center, treatment plant and Brushy Creek Trail. They're supposed to have an engineer with them who could possibly make recommendations.
6. Soccer and baseball signups are complete. Pool should be filled this week. Parks & Rec committee had a work day Saturday April 30th at the pool.
7. Mike Williams has set up poles at the old dump and will begin a training program for staff to familiarize them with all aspects of line work. This is a great idea that will teach and also allow staff to practice and stay current.
8. Homes chosen for demolition are currently being inspected. When reports are received homeowners will be notified of the findings.

Addition's to Administrator's Report:

Water tower and well project moving along well.

Meeting Tuesday with FEMA.

Alderman Arthur updated council on the easements Manier Surveying is doing on his property south of the city.

Alderman Honeycutt reported on the airport committee meeting. No final decisions have been made.

The motion was made by Alderwoman Walker and seconded by Alderman Wells to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Minutes Taken By

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk