

**MINUTES
HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY MAY 16, 2016**

The Houston City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday May 16, 2016 at Houston City Hall Council Chambers, 601 S Grand Avenue with the following members present: 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 Pro-Tem Walker established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

The motion was made by Alderwoman Barnes and seconded by Alderman Wells to approve the minutes for the May 2, 2016 regular meeting. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<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 Alderwoman Barnes to approve payment for payroll of May 2, 2016. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<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 Barnes and seconded by Alderman Wells to approve payment of invoices for May 13 & 16, 2016 (\$71,255.07) as presented. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<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: Rebecca Friedrich.

Ms. Friedrich with KPM CPAS gave council the report from the 2015 audit. The City received the best opinion that can be given. The city has good reserves. They recommended that the City be aware of the proposed new requirements for overtime pay. This will affect two of the City employees.

Bill 103 to become Ordinance 2016-103. An Ordinance changing board meeting time. (Bill 103 has been posted) The motion was made by Alderman Wells and seconded by Alderwoman Barnes to place Bill 103 on first reading by title only. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<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			

Bill 103 to become Ordinance 2016-103. The motion was made by Alderman Wells and seconded by Alderman Honeycutt to place Bill 103 on seconded reading by title only. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<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			

The motion was made by Alderman Arthur and seconded by Alderwoman Barnes to adopt Bill 103 as Ordinance 2016-103. Motion passed with five yes roll call votes.

	<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			

Discussed the need for a utility policy concerning accounts with no deposits, this would primarily effect landlords wanting utilities on for a few days.

The motion was made by Alderman Honeycutt and seconded by Alderman Arthur to adopt an utility policy. Motion passed with five yes votes.

	<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			

Attorney Eidson will draft an ordinance.

Administrator Report
May 16, 2016

1. Received the grant from SCOCOG to replace the recycling trailer. The new trailer is expected by the end of the month.
2. Well pump test was good. Flow appears to be around 455 gallons per minute. Pump has been spec'd out and is on order. Tank Company expects to be here soon to place footings.
3. Have asked Archer-Elgin Engineering to work up an engineering and cost proposal for shoring up bank along Brushy Creek by the plant and options to divert water away from the visitor center. Staff will do the work. Hope to receive some reimbursement from FEMA.
4. DNR approved tank removal proposal. Engineering firm came to assist our staff in removing tank May 12th. However, another tank was found and additional barrels will be needed so will have to come back to finish.
5. Public Grounds trying to keep up with mowing and trimming across town.
6. Have hired Steve Floyd to assist with Parks and Recreation through June then he'll replace the floater position. C.J. Moore will move from the floater to full time electric.
7. A company from Houston Texas is considering a feasibility study to provide natural gas to the city/area.
8. Have heard from some of the homeowners regarding the houses chosen for demolition or repair. Some have said they'll tear down on their own.

Addition's to Administrator's Report:
Working on MMMPEP contract.

Received a Thank You letter from Houston Education Foundation.

The motion was made by Alderman Wells and seconded by Alderwoman Narancich to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion passed with five yes votes

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	<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