



**CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL**

Meeting Date: 3/9/2021

District K

Item Creation Date: 1/27/2021

PLN - H-GAC Interlocal Agreement for Southwest Livable Center Study

Agenda Item#: 32.

**Summary:**

ORDINANCE appropriating the sum of \$62,577.13 out of the Metro Projects Construction DDSRF; approving and authorizing an interlocal agreement between the City of Houston and **HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL** for the Southwest Livable Center Study - **DISTRICT K - CASTEX-TATUM**

**Background:**

The Director of the Planning and Development Department recommends that City Council adopt an ordinance approving and authorizing an interlocal agreement between the City of Houston and Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) and appropriate funds for the Southwest Livable Center Study (Study) in Council District K.

H-GAC has awarded the City of Houston funding to conduct the Study and will require a minimum local match of 20%. The goal of the Livable Centers Study in Southwest Houston is to create multi-modal travel choices, create quality spaces, improve environmental quality, and promote economic development, by evaluating transit-oriented developments, including bus and light rail transit, biking, and walking. The study will identify opportunities for the Livable Center, such as improvements in access to public transportation, pedestrian realm enhancements, bike and ride options, and the creation of attractive public spaces. The goal of the study phase is to develop initial plans, design specifications, and implementation strategies that will be transferred to the selected contractor when final design and implementation funds are available. The project study area is located south of Loop 610, bordered on the north by Main Street, to the south by McHard Road, to the east by Almeda Road and the west by Fondren Road.

H-GAC will contract and pay for a firm to conduct the study in partnership with the Planning & Development Department at a cost of \$303,125.00. H-GAC will cover the cost of \$242,500.00 (80% of the total Study cost) through a federal assistance grant award. The City will fund the non-federal local match cost of \$62,577.13, which includes \$60,625.00 for study costs and \$1,952.13 for TxDOT grant oversight costs.

Vice Mayor-Pro Tem Martha Castex-Tatum is supportive of the Study and is providing \$31,288.56 towards the local match from District K's Council District Service Fund.

DocuSigned by:  
  
2A61A07011A5494  
Margaret Wallace Brown, AICP, CNU-A  
Director  
Planning and Development Department

DocuSigned by:  
  
3/3/2021  
A93C410B72B3453  
Carol Ellinger Haddock, P.E.  
Director  
Houston Public Works

WBS No. N-322017-0018-7, N-320100-0021-7

**Amount of Funding:**

\$62,577.13  
METRO Projects Construction DDSRF  
Fund No. 4040

**Contact Information:**

Anna Sedillo, Council Liaison  
832-393-6578

Sharon Moses-Burnside  
832-393-6564

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Description	Type
Cover sheet	Signed Cover sheet
Livable Center Study Application	Backup Material
Map	Backup Material

SAP documents  
Caption

Financial Information  
Other