

**CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL**

Meeting Date:  
 District A, District G  
 Item Creation Date:

PLN - Addition of 40.643 Acres of land to Harris County Improvement District No. 4

Agenda Item#:

**Summary:**

**AN ORDINANCE CONSENTING TO THE ADDITION OF 40.643 ACRES OF LAND TO HARRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 4, (ALSO KNOWN AS THE ENERGY CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT DISTRICT), FOR INCLUSION IN ITS DISTRICT; MAKING FINDINGS AND CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE FOREGOING SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**Background:**

Harris County Improvement District No. 4 (Energy Corridor Management District) has formally requested that the City adopt an ordinance consenting to the addition of 40.643 acres of land for inclusion in the District.

Management districts are special districts created by the Texas legislature. Generally, these districts are empowered to promote, develop, encourage and maintain employment, commerce, transportation, housing, tourism, recreation, arts, entertainment, economic development, safety and public welfare. Typically, management districts are given the power to finance their operations by issuing bonds or other obligations, payable in whole or in part from assessments, impact fees or other funds of the District to provide improvements and services. Further, districts may levy a tax only after holding an election within the district.

A management district is intended to supplement, not supplant, existing public services. Creation of these districts does not release a municipality from its obligations to provide services to the areas; nor does it require additional services from the municipality. Except as a result of a Governing Body's action to dissolve a district, the municipality assumes no liability for the debts, obligations or liabilities of the district.

HCID No. 4 (Energy Corridor Management District) was authorized by the 77th Legislature in 2001 and is located in City Council Districts A, F and G. The District includes some non-city territory as well. The District has submitted a petition for the annexation of three areas into their boundary. The 2016 Energy Corridor District Annexation includes areas identified as Threadneedle, Woodbranch and Addicks Dam Subdivision as shown in the attached map. The area to be annexed into the District is located in both Council District A and Council District G and consists of several tracts of land totaling approximately 40.643 acres situated wholly within the corporate limits of the City of Houston. The area sought to be annexed into the District is in a growing commercial area of the city and has a need for services and improvements that encourage economic diversification, stimulate transportation and commerce, and promote the health, safety, and general welfare of its residents and the general public. These services and improvements can most easily be provided to the area through the addition of the land into the existing adjacent management district.

Once added, the District will provide the following services to the three areas:

- Four full-time Harris County Pct. 5 constables;
- Branding, marketing, communications, website, advertising and business promotions;
- IH-10 landscape maintenance, litter pick-up, mowing, graffiti abatement and intersection sweeping;
- Roadway sweeping, esplanade planting, mowing, litter pick-up and landscape maintenance;
- Street trees, reforestation and flower-bed installation and maintenance;
- METRO transit service expansion,
- Transit and pedestrian infrastructure improvements;
- Wayfinding and street sign systems;
- Special events and community activities planning (Recycle Day, Sunday Streets, Energyfest, New Year's Eve and community events);
- Master planning, urban design, streetscape design, sidewalks and trails design and construction;
- Traffic studies for congestion mitigation and transportation demand management programs.

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**Prior Council Action:**

2012-1088

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Description**

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