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City Council Passes District B Budget Amendment to Monitor Illegal Dumping

HOUSTON — June 19, 2013 — On Wednesday, Council Member Davis proposed a budget amendment to allocate funding to purchase 25 surveillance camera systems for monitoring chronic illegal dumpsite areas throughout council districts B, D, H, I, and K. These council districts have been identified by the Solid Waste Department as having the greatest issues with illegal dumping.

Each of the identified council districts will receive 5 camera systems for sole use within each said council district's boundaries for illegal dumping surveillance. The camera systems cost approximately \$10,000 per unit creating a total funding amount of \$250,000. Council Member Davis received overwhelming support from city council with an 11 to 5 vote in favor of the additional surveillance cameras with Council Member Melissa Noriega absent. "Thirty years ago, Dr. Robert Bullard wrote a book about the illegal dumping problem in the City of Houston. People who have sat in this seat before me have been aware of the problem and now is the time to do something. The approval of my original budget amendment is a step toward making District B and the City of Houston as a whole a better place to live," said Council Member Davis.

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