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## **Important meetings for Southwest Houston to discuss Chapter 42 expansion and Capital Improvement Plan**

Houston, TX – The City of Houston is hosting a series of meetings to discuss the Chapter 42 ordinance expansion and the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

On Thursday, March 1, residents of District J and Southwest Houston are invited to join Council Member Mike Laster and the Houston Planning Commission at 6:30 pm at the Sharpstown Community Center, located at 6600 Harbor Town Drive, to discuss the proposed revision and expansion of the Chapter 42 Ordinance on Land Development. Of particular interest will be the proposed changes that will expand the City's "Urban Area" designation beyond its current boundaries of Loop 610 out to Beltway 8. This revision will affect 95% of the neighborhoods in District J.

A week later on Thursday, March 8, at 6:30 pm the at the Sharpstown Community Center, the City of Houston will conduct combined public meetings on the City's FY2012 Annual Operating Budget Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and 2012 Annual Consolidated Plan. Since 1984, the City has held public meetings to obtain citizen input before preparation of the operating budget and capital improvement plan. These meetings provide citizens the opportunity to participate in the budget process by contributing comments and suggestions about needed services and improvements. Council Member Laster encourages all District J residents to join us.

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