Fourth Ward has been a community in transition for an extended period of time. The heart of this community was Freedman’s Town, a settlement of freed slaves on the western edge of the city. Fourth Ward was a major commercial and cultural center for Houston’s widely scattered African American community. The construction of Interstate 45 delineates the eastern edge of the community. In turn, that portion was redeveloped primarily as retail. Since then, absentee property owners have anticipated redevelopment of the remaining area. The Allen Parkway Village public housing project was built in the 1940s, and its recent redevelopment has spurred growth of the remaining area. A major portion of the Fourth Ward has been included within a tax increment reinvestment zone, the 4th Ward TIRZ.

Description

Highlights

- Houston City Council District C
- Houston Independent School District
- 3 Police beats (includes bordering beats)
- 298 acres (0.47 sq. miles)
Fourth Ward: Land Use

Source: City of Houston GIS Database, Harris County Appraisal District
Date: October 24, 2017

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Fourth Ward
Language Spoken at Home

- English: 82%
- Spanish: 10%
- Other: 8%

Employment Status

- Employed: 96%
- Unemployed: 4%

Housing Units by Year Built

- 2010 Or Later: 62%
- 2000 to 2009: 15%
- 1990 to 1989: 3%
- 1980 to 1979: 2%
- 1970 to 1969: 1%
- 1960 to 1959: 1%
- 1950 to 1949: 4%
- 1940 to 1939: 4%
- 1939 or Earlier: 0%

Housing Occupancy

- Occupied: 95%
- Vacant: 5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000
American Community Survey, 2011-2015 Estimates