March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

#### District 8 Town Hall





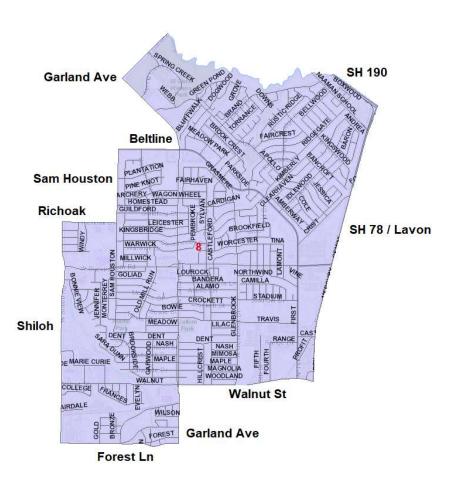
#### Council Tenure

May 17, 2017 – May 16, 2023

**Current Committees:** 

Administrative Services (Chair) Audit (Chair) Intergovernmental Affairs

# Redistricting 2021



#### Streets



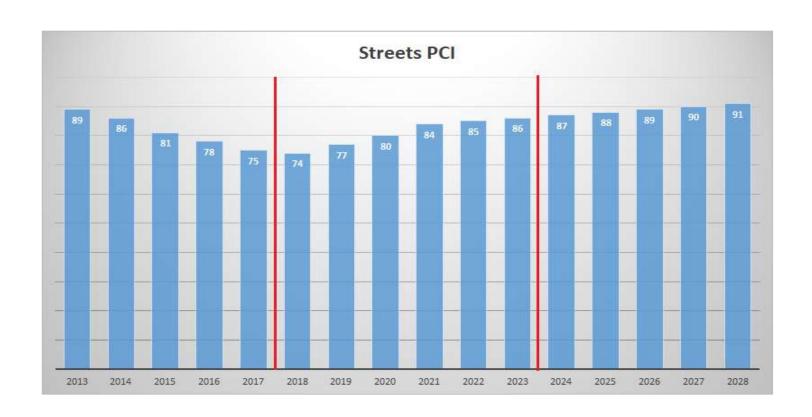


Council Resolution, 2017



**Street Types** 

#### Streets

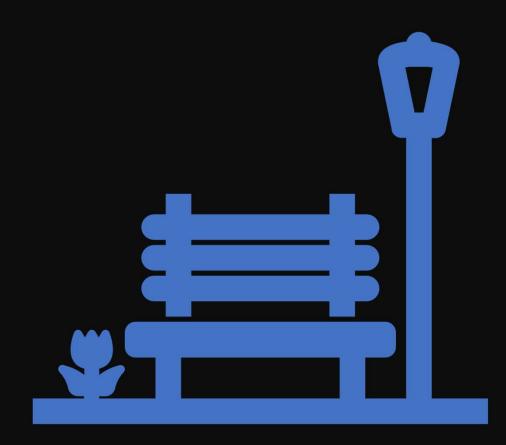


#### Alleys



#### Active D8 Projects

- 1. Alleyways (2 of 11)
- 2. Glenbrook Dr
- 3. Buckingham Rd
- 4. Naaman School Rd





### Railroad Crossings



2022:

Forest Ln, Between International and Kirby

\*Forest Ln, East of Shiloh

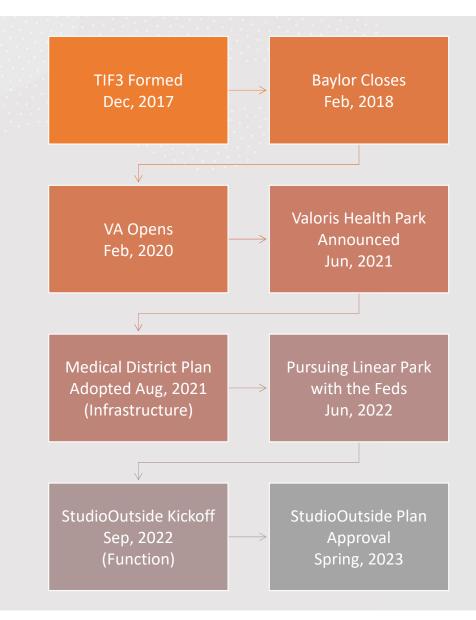
\*Miller Park Dr, Track Abandonment

2023:

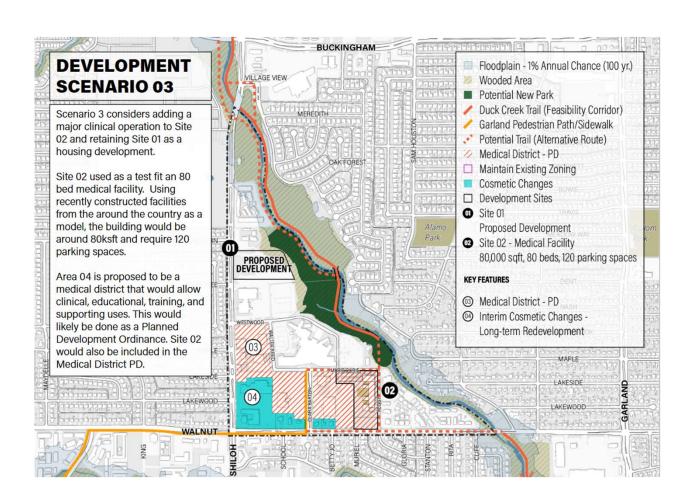
Jupiter Rd, Between Forest Ln and Miller Park Kingsley Rd, Between Industrial and National Kingsley Rd, Between Market St and Shiloh Miller Rd, Between Sherwin and Shiloh

### Streets Questions?

#### VA Hospital – Medical District



#### Hospital Area Plan







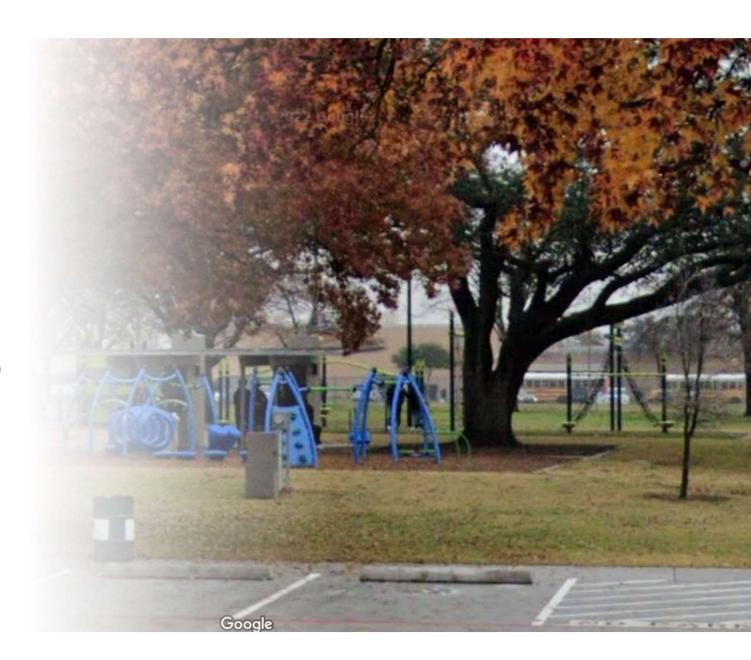


Plaza III Mural Feb, 2023

# Medical District Questions?

## Parks and Playgrounds

- Alamo (1970)
- Cullom (1987)
- Peavy (1971)
- Winters Softball (1998)
- Woodland (1998)
- Yarborough (1988)

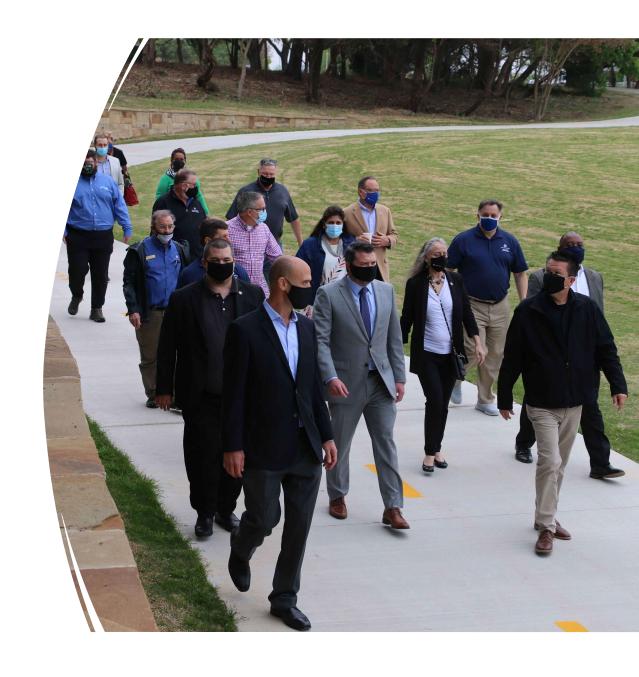


# Trails and Future Parks

Winters Trail

Future: Old Las Brisas

Location



#### 'Las Brisas' Park Area

- Acquired in 2022
- Project started in D8, moved to D6
- Marion Dr @ Hat Co



## Parks & Rec Questions?

#### **Key Accomplishments**

- 2019 Bond Program
- Animal Shelter Replacement
- ARPA
- Cultural Arts Master Plan
- Dog Park
- Lowered Water Rates
- Medical District / VA
- Naaman School Road
- Reviewed > 30,000 House and Senate Bills
- Sidewalk Repair Program
- Tax Cuts

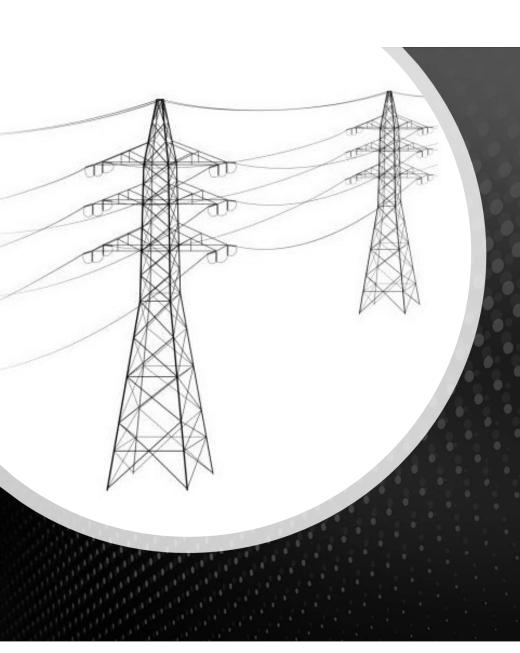
#### Still To Do

- Comprehensive Sidewalk Program
- Erosion Control & Creeks
- Finish the 2019 Bond Program
- Hospital!
- Finish Naaman School Rd



Q&A

Constituent-Submitted Questions and Comments



GP&L generates power. Why did we go dark during the winter storm in 2021? -Submitted via Messenger

Legal Requirements & ERCOT

Generation vs Need

Future Generation / Senate Bill 3 (2021)



#### When will electricity prices drop again?

- Submitted by nearly everyone in Texas

- Rates increased in July 2022
- Historic highs for natural gas

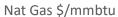
#### Oncor vs GP&L Prices

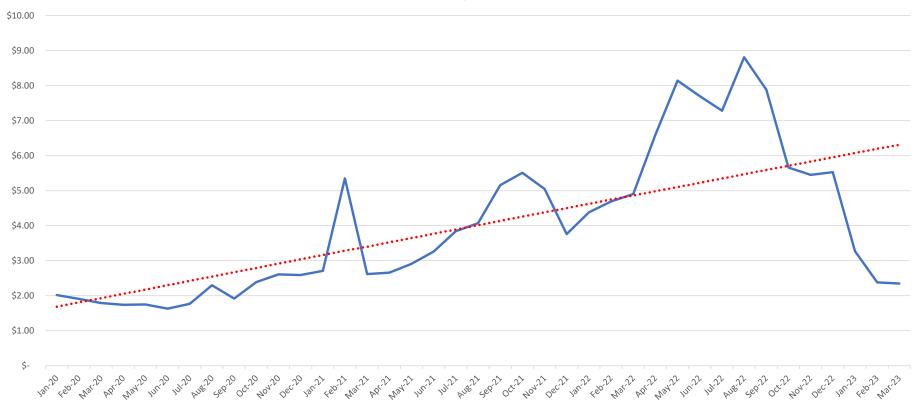
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#### Natural Gas Prices (NYMEX)



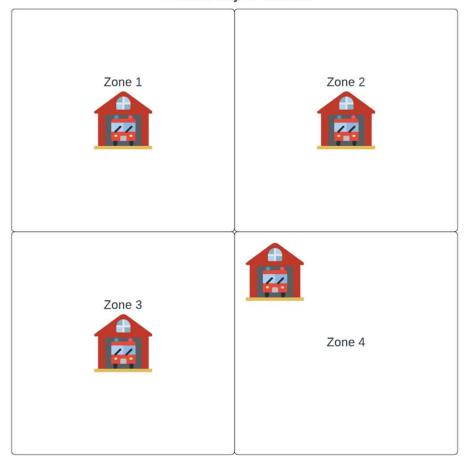


# What's Your Position on -Submitted via Facebook

- Garland ISD, not City of Garland Issue
- (Wikipedia definition) Critical race theory is a crossdisciplinary examination – by social and civil-rights scholars and activists – of how laws, social and political movements, and media shape, and are shaped by, social conceptions of race and ethnicity

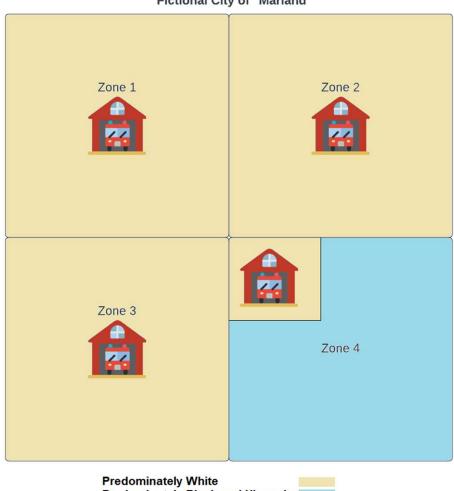
# A Tale of Firestations

#### Fictional City of "Marland"





#### Fictional City of "Marland"



Predominately White
Predominately Black and Hispanic

# Open Q&A

#### Constituent Comments Over the Years

**"Derp"** – via Facebook

"I never would've voted that way" - my Mom

"Follow the money" – via Facebook

"You're a bunch of \$20 w\*\*\*\*s" – Live, via Citizen Comments

"I hope the next guy is better than you. You suck." - via Nextdoor



Council Member-Elect Chris Ott

