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TO: Mayor Turner; CM Green; PWE Director Rudick

I first spoke at the 2012 CIP meeting and asked for relief for the Westbury homeowners who experience structural flooding that live along Ludington and Cartagena and the T-streets that intersect to them. It is now 2016 and the majority of Westbury was pre-engineered for new storm drains in 2014/15. At the 2015 CIP meeting a map was produced showing all of this area in line to have new storm drains. However that has turned out to be false as the projects are unfunded and unplanned. 200 of these homes flooded again in April of 2013; 400 in May of 2015; and 100 of them flooded again in October of 2015. Just last night hundreds of Westbury residents worried that their homes would again flood. Thankfully the rain stopped at 3 inches. Another two inches of rain and these homes would have flooded again.

Yes, these homes are in the 100 year flood plain. BUT they didn't start out that way. All the unfettered development to the west of us, especially in the Fondren Southwest area, with complete disregard for the existing neighborhoods caused this problem. The City chose not to mitigate for flooding back then, but they can correct that problem today.

The houses that flood are homes for people many of whom are elderly and many for whom are without options. Their homes are their biggest asset and the flooding has devalued them to the point that many can't afford to move.

People are suffering here. Please do the right thing and replace our aged and inadequate storm drainage system in these hard hit areas. The area is from West Airport to West Bellfort and from Chimney Rock to Braewick.

Respectfully,

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Enclosures:

5 pages of CIP items in chart format

March 9th letter submitted to District C on Willowbend flooding issues

Map produced for 2015 CIP showing area for new storm drainage project

WESTBURY SUPERNEIGHBORHOOD CIP ITEMS 2016

Type	Category	Description	CM District / Location
PWE	Stormwater	ADD the dropped Westbury area back into the CIP plan. It was part of the 2016-2021 when presented to the community however, it was later dropped from the scope. This area of Westbury flooded 2 times last year and some residents 8 times in 5 years. This is our worst area yet it got deleted. It has already been PreEngineered and Selected. We ask for it to be put onto the current CIP for 2017-2022.	K. Area bounded by West Airport, West Bellfort, Hillcroft, and Chimney Rock in 77035 (Westbury Section 3)
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PWE	Stormwater	PreEngineering Study of Structural Flooding at Westbury High School and Shell Research Center from the Gasmer street ditch. We recommend that the street drainage flow be rerouted away from Chimney Rock and directed to the Willow Waterhole detention basins across the street.	K. Gasmer Drive in 77035
PWE	Stormwater	PreEngineering Study of drainage along Willowbend between Hillcroft and Albury, the street cul-de-sacs south of Willowbend. These streets are concrete but Willowbend is Asphalt. All the current stormwater is to drain to Willowbend which is higher. The cul-de-sacs all back up to the D-139-04 so maybe new drains can be installed.	C & K. 77096. Willowbend, Glenfield Ct. cul-de-sac, and Kirkside cul-de-sac, Dunlap and Carlotta Court loop.
PWE	Stormwater	Provide stormwater detention UPSTREAM of Hillcroft for the Willow Waterhole Bayou specifically to reduce flooding in Westbury. Stormwater overflows from the Fondren area into the Westbury area via the Fondren Diversion Channel and Willow Waterhole Bayou. Note – the HCFCF has newly installed a new gauge for Willow	K & perhaps J. The Fondren Reconstruction Project has the POTENTIAL to add additional detention and drainage.

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		Waterhole Bayou where flooding has occurred in the past.445: D112_445 Willow Water Hole @ Landsdowne Drive	
PWE	Stormwater	Intersection of West Bellfort and Willowbend does not drain well and water sprays up from the sewer lids with moderate rains. The 2 added third lanes on W. Bellfort (East/South Side) and Willowbend (added 2nd lane) flood in the smallest amount of rain.	District K. 77035. West Bellfort at Willowbend.
PWE	Roads/Bridges	Scrape and Re-Asphalt the portion of Westbury 2 that was not redone 2 years ago. This area has extreme ponding along the roads due to the deteriorating condition includes Oasis.	District K. 77096. Bounded by Willowbend, Chimney Rock, West Bellfort, and the “Burdine ditch”
PWE	Roads/Bridges	REPLACE bridge on Hillcroft where it crosses Willow Waterhole Bayou (southbound). One lane on this bridge has been closed since Sept 2015.	District K. 77035. Hillcroft, southbound (between West Bellfort and West Airport) at bayou.
PWE	Roads/Bridges	Repair and repave Ludington between Chimney Rock and Hillcroft. This “neighborhood street” has heavy school traffic for both Anderson Elementary and Westbury High School. High priority and in terrible shape.	District K. 77035. Ludington between Chimney Rock and Hillcroft.
PWE	Roads/Bridges	Gasmer from Chimney Rock to S. Post Oak. Repave. Cover the ditches. Add street parking for Willow Waterhole Conservation Area along Gasmer.	District K. 77035. Gasmer between S. Post Oak and Chimney Rock.
PWE	Roads/Bridges	Replace specific concrete panels per separate list. To be given by 3-1-16.	District K. Westbury Super Neighborhood.
PWE	Roads/Bridges	Remove the concrete lane barriers at these specific locations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Hillcroft at Densmore * West Bellfort at Kirkside * West Bellfort at Mullins The concern is accidents which have occurred at these locations.	District K <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Hillcroft at Densmore * West Bellfort at Kirkside * West Bellfort at Mullins
PWE		11000 Endicott at Kingfisher – Asphalt overlay needs guttering to allow water to drain to inlet	District K – Endicott @ Kingfisher

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HPARD	Westbury Park	Add a fence at Westbury Park along Mullins, between Willowbend and Stillbrooke	District K. 77096. Westbury Park.
HPARD	Hager Park	Repair basketball pavilion roof	
HPARD	Hager Park	Replace the tennis court surfaces or resurface to make smoother, at Hager Park	District K. 77035. Hager Park
HPARD	Hager Park	Provide fence at Hager Park where the city of Houston is leasing the school SPARK PARK / Hiking Trail Area. See image. Goal is to provide safe playing area from traffic or from users using the public portions of the Park during school hours.	District K. 77035. Hager Park
HPARD	Hager Park	Provide a splash pad at Hager Park.	District K. 77035. Hager Park
HPARD	Hager Park	Provide a playground for toddlers and home-schooled children in the part of Hager Park that is available during school hours.	District K. 77035. Hager Park
HPARD	Chimney Rock Park	Repair/replace playground	District K. 77035 Chimney Rock Park
HPARD	Chimney Rock Park	More picnic tables are needed.	District K. 77035 Chimney Rock Park
HPARD	Chimney Rock Park	Replace dying Ligustrum hedges that screen the tennis and basketball courts from the street (Chimney Rock).	District K. 77035 Chimney Rock Park
HPARD	Platou Community Center	Replace Community Center	District K. 77035 Chimney Rock Park
HPARD	Platou Community Center	Update interior and exterior of Platou center with completed remodel.	District K. 77035 Chimney Rock Park
HPARD	Willow Waterhole Conservation Reserve	Will be submitted by WWGC	

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PWE	Mobility	Traffic Calming near Anderson Elementary School on Landsdowne	District K. 77035. Landsdowne between West Airport and Warm Springs.
PWE	Mobility	Traffic Calming – close Ludington at Braewick to vehicular traffic and provide a pedestrian bridge for students walking to Anderson Elementary and Westbury High School	District K. 77035. Ludington at bayou near Braewick
PWE	Mobility	Add a sidewalk for Westbury High School students crossing Chimney Rock to Ludington. They are walking on the grass or in the street (see picture)	District K. 77035. Chimney Rock at Ludington at Westbury High School.
PWE	Mobility	West Bellfort at Meyer Library – Provide a curb cut and ramp for pedestrians crossing West Bellfort at the library at Balmforth, concern is those pushing strollers.	District K. 77096. Meyer Library.
PWE	Mobility	Hillcroft at Ludington – Sidewalks are in bad repair and are used by students from both Anderson and Westbury High. In some places the sidewalks have heaved up, and in other places the sidewalks have sunk.	District K. 77035. Hillcroft at Ludington (see images)
PWE	Mobility	Add Sidewalks along Glenfield Court between Willowbend and Wigton (behind Westbury Christian School)	District K/C. 77096.
PWE	Mobility	Provide speed displays at 3 locations -- W. Bellfort @ Mullins, Hillcroft @ Ludington, Chimney Rock @ Effingham Speeding and road conditions have caused fatal accidents at these 3 locations where a speeding car left the road and hit a large tree.	W. Bellfort @ Mullins Hillcroft @ Ludington Chimney Rock @ Effingham
PWE	Mobility	Reconfigure TURN Lanes on W. Bellfort @ Willowbend (add 2 nd turn lane with signs and roadway markings instead of disappearing third lane that cause accidents)	District K. 77096 W. Bellfort @ Willowbend

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Library / HPD	Library / Community Center / Westbury HPD Storefront	Replace the Meyer Library with a location in the Westbury Super Neighborhood. Include space for the Westbury HPD Storefront officers. Provide community meeting space. Could be Multiservice Center.	District K. Westbury Super Neighborhood.
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District C/K

Re: CIP meeting

Willowbend Area Pre-Engineering Needed for Storm Drain Reconstruction

The Westbury Civic Club, the Barkley Square Civic Club and the Maplewood South/North Community Improvement Association request that the Willowbend area be pre-engineered for Storm Drain reconstruction. Everything north of the D-139-04-00 (runs along Hummingbird & Bankside & Sanford; it crosses Hillcroft just south of Willowbend) needs to be pre-engineered including the D-193-03-00 (drainage ditch that runs behind homes on the northside of Willowbend). This falls in both District C and K as Willowbend is the border of the City Council districts. Water flows from District K into the storm drain lines along Willowbend in Dist. C then to Hillcroft or Chimney Rock.

The presidents of Maplewood South North and Westbury Civic Club met with the Rod Pinhiero, Storm Drain Maintenance last year along Rampart at Willowbend. Homes in this area saw structural flooding several times last year. One home flooded 4 times in 2015 alone. The meeting was very enlightening. We were shown what is down the manholes along the storm drain line just north of Willowbend. They are pretty full of water. The main line down Hillcroft was also full of water. The only way to improve our drainage is to replace it.

Westbury and Maplewood N/S had homes with structural flooding in 2015. These homes all connect along this Willowbend storm drain line that is inadequate and aged. We are concerned that with the addition of Westbury Estates, a new development of 40 plus patio homes, along this corridor that even more flooding could occur.

Best regards.

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thumbs up for progress



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Storm & Street

FY16-25 5+5 Year Plan

Draft CIP FY16-20



Storm



Street

Active Projects

Active Street Construction



Active Storm Construction

Draft Needs FY21-25



Storm



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