



February 24, 2026

Office of Commissioner Rodney Ellis
1001 Preston, 9th Floor
Houston, Texas 77002

Re: Midtown Redevelopment Authority || HCP1 Partnership Program Support

Dear Commissioner Ellis,

I support the Midtown Redevelopment Authority's request for Partnership Program funding to advance planning and conceptual design efforts for Midtown Park.

Midtown Park functions as an important civic anchor within one of Houston's most densely developed neighborhoods. As area redevelopment and park visitation continues to increase, thoughtful planning is necessary to ensure the park remains safe, accessible, and operationally sustainable. Proactive investment in planning allows public spaces like Midtown Park to evolve in response to community needs while protecting prior public investments.

The proposed effort will evaluate opportunities to enhance pedestrian experience, strengthen park activation strategies, and examine operational and maintenance considerations to ensure long-term functionality. Establishing clear implementation pathways at the planning stage will position future capital investments to be strategic, cost-effective, and aligned with Precinct One's broader goals for community-serving infrastructure.

Early-stage planning and conceptual design are critical steps in ensuring that future improvements are community-informed, implementable, and responsive to safety and accessibility priorities.

Thank you for your consideration,

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