Cottage Grove Civic Association

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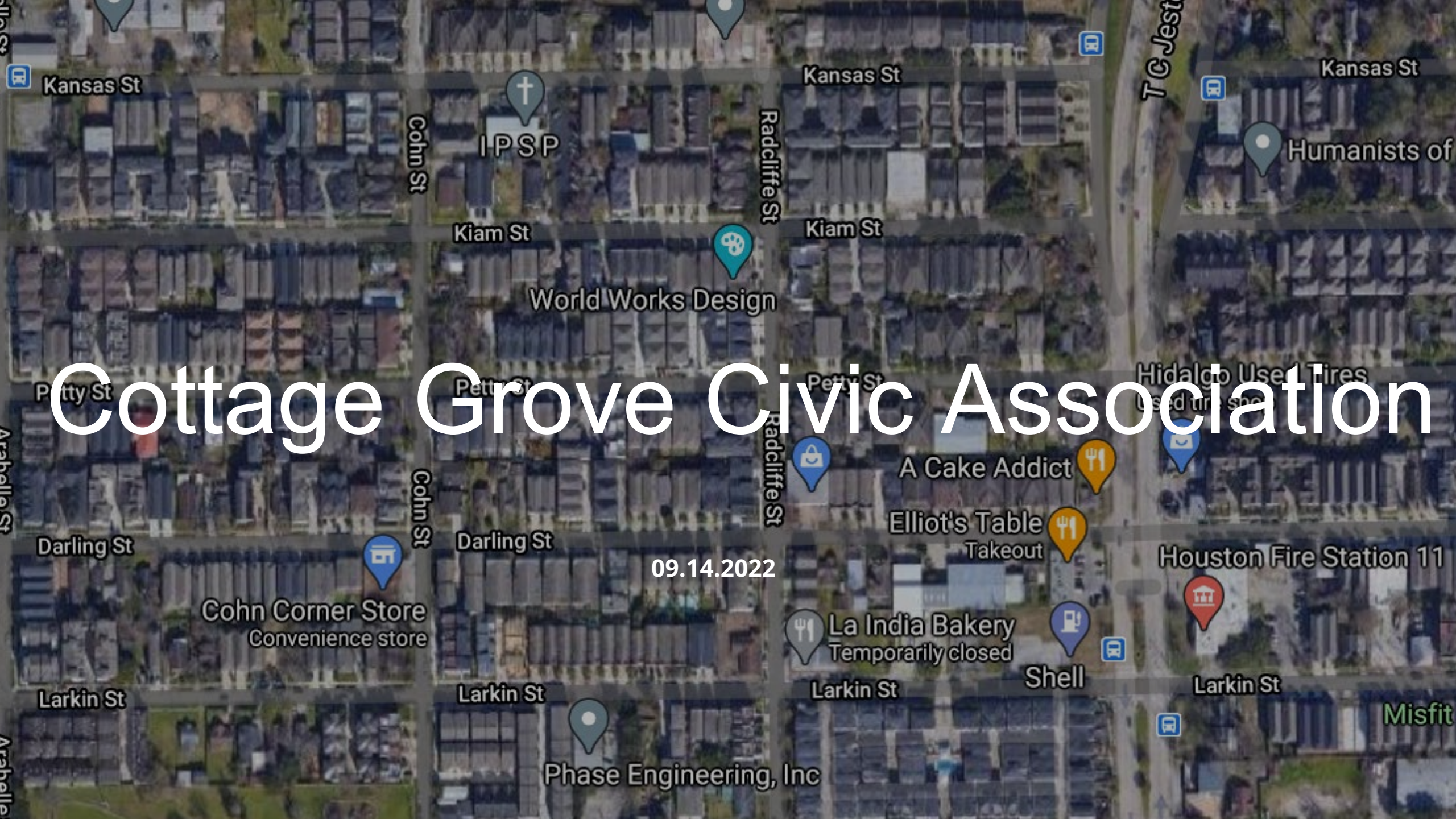

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Welcome

Welcome

Housekeeping

- This meeting is being recorded
- All participants are muted except for speakers – please stay muted for the duration of the presentation
- All Q&A will be saved for the end – please feel free to leave your questions in the chat
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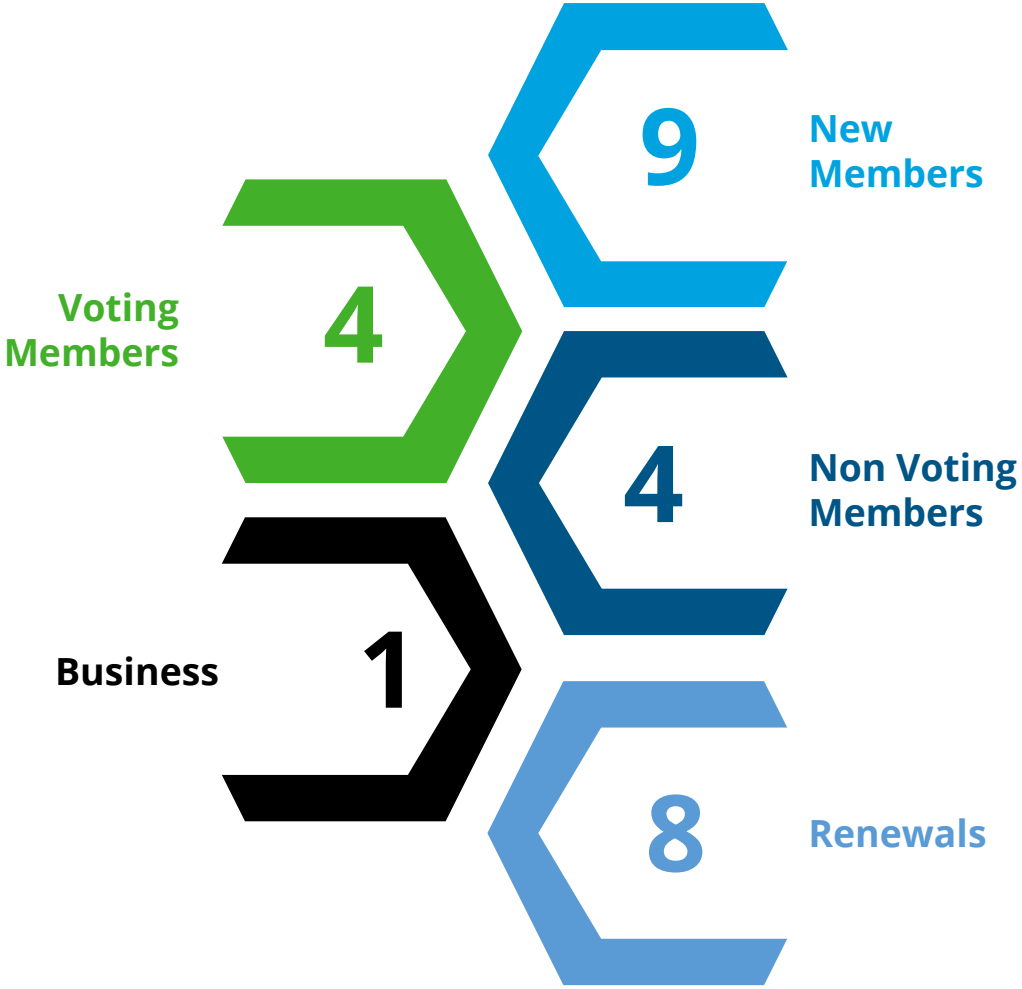
Membership & Financials Update

Membership & Financial Update

Membership as of 9/12/22



Membership & Financial Update

Financial Update as of 9/12/22

Financials – By the Numbers

$3648.80 ***Balance as of last meeting***

$379.68 ***Dues collected***

-$96.42* ***Expenses***

$4124.90 ***Ending balance***

*CVS Credit

Membership & Financial Update

Financial Update as of 9/12/22

Dues pending

$175 *New members*

$325 *2022 Renewals*

59 members have paid their 2022 renewal

Expenses

$0.96 – Bank service fees
-$97.38 – CVS Photo prints (dispute approved)

Total - -$96.42

Ongoing Project Updates

Intown Homes Construction

- Construction starting for Intown Homes development on Katy St
- Trees along property edge currently being demolished
- Expect large construction vehicles and major infrastructure work soon

TxDOT Hempstead Hwy Project

- Main focus of work: completion of pump station (through Jan 2023)
- Work will continue throughout 2023 on bridge underpass
- Expect intermittent lane closures

Infrastructure Update:

Cottage Grove West CIP

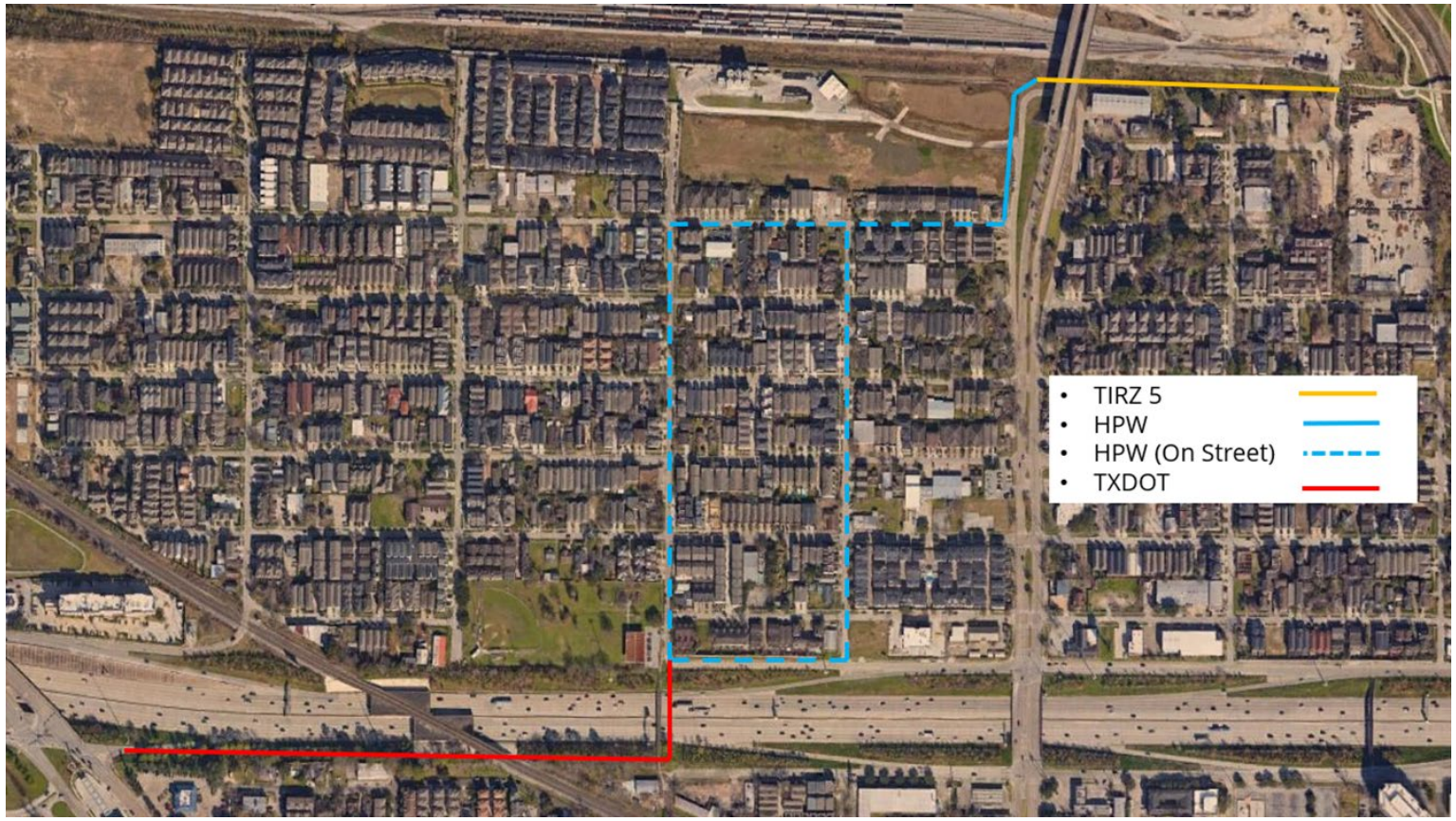
Continuing to press city, county and state officials for funding solutions.

- CGCA Walked neighborhood with representatives from County Commissioning Cagle's Office
  - Pushing for joint effort between county and state.
- CGCA Met with Veronica Davis, Director of Public Works
  - Request to be put on CIP
  - Unfortunately meeting was not supportive.
  - Public Works continues to defer to band aid solutions rather than capital investment.
- CGCA Walked neighborhood with Texas Rep Ann Johnson
  - Improving TxDOT Feeder Road at Park
  - TxDOT I-10 Opposition
  - Other improvement opportunities

Infrastructure Update:

TxDOT Bike Path to Memorial Park

- Received an update from TxDOT that project is planned to bid in October 2023 with construction later in 2024



Banding Together

Opposing the I-10 Expansion

- At the July Super Neighborhood 22 meeting, Cottage Grove Civic Club Motioned for SN22 to oppose the I-10 Managed Lanes and I-10 Lane Raising projects.
- With the support of many neighborhoods the motion passed!
- CGCA issued their own opposition letters to TxDOT and HGAC. Reiterating the points from last years opposition letters.

Banding Together

Opposing the I-10 Expansion

- Recent rally brought together many other community groups around this cause
- Rep. Ann Johnson walked our neighborhood to learn about our opposition and is on board to help with TxDOT
- We need you – more to come!

A Tale of Two Poles

Thanks to District C and Harris County for collaborating on a project to replace aging utility infrastructure on Kiam St!

Committee Updates

Upcoming Events:

National Night Out

- Tuesday, October 4
- 6:30-8pm
- Gather your neighbors, grab a cooler/drinks, and share some food and great conversation!
- Your CGCA leadership will have coolers in their driveways – stop by for a frosty beverage!

Upcoming Events:

Neighborhood Cleanup

- Saturday, October 22
- 9am-11am
- Start at Cottage Grove Park
- Choose a block in Cottage Grove and help pick up trash
- Breakfast and coffee until we run out!

Upcoming Events:

November Community Meeting

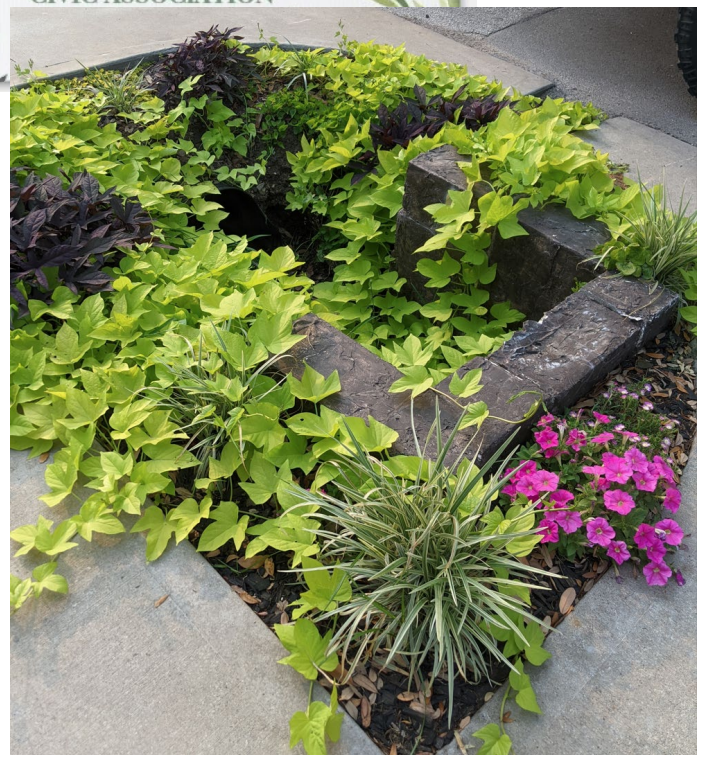
- Wednesday, November 16
- 7:30-8:30pm via Zoom
- Meetup at Down the Street afterwards

Upcoming Events:

Play Date in the Park @ CG Park

- Saturday, December 10, 9am-10:30am
- Play in the park with other neighborhood families
- Participate in a visioning exercise for the playground!
- Light kid snacks and drinks provided

Join in the Fun: Yard of the Month!



CG CA Potential Funded Projects

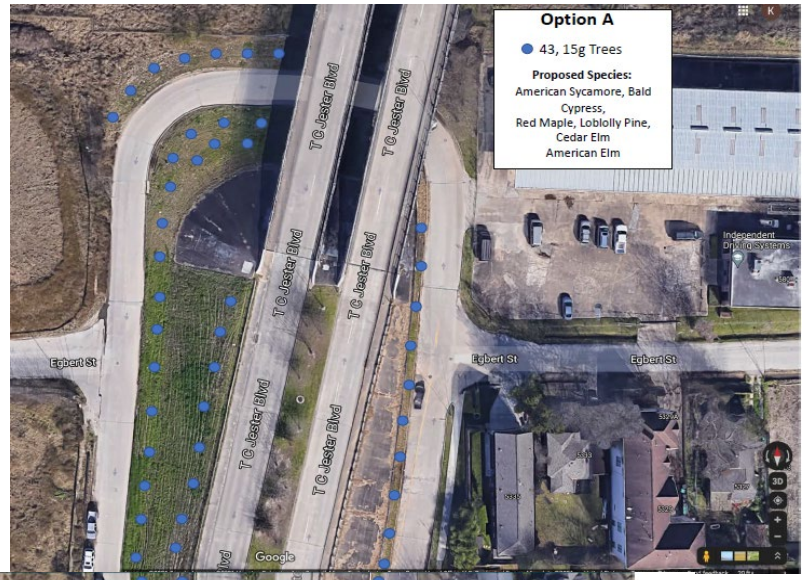
Cottage Grove Civic Association Potential Funded Projects

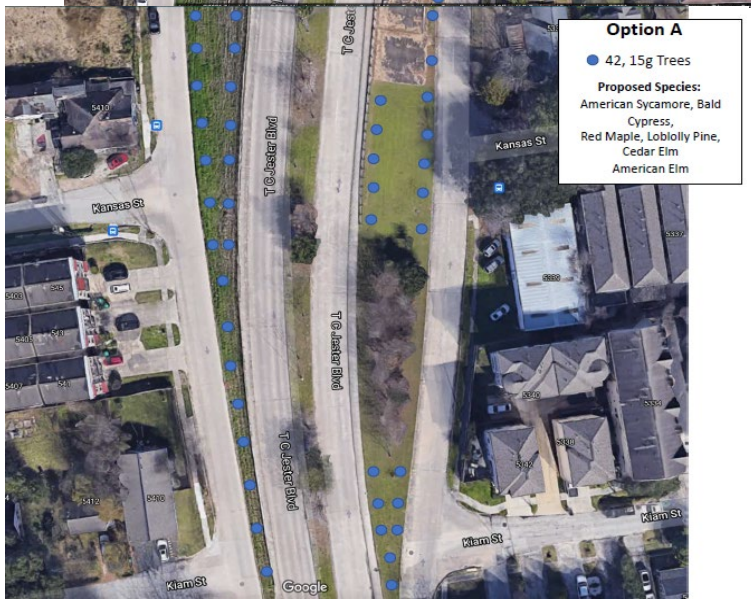
Trees for Houston

Project on holding awaiting funding

Option A

- 85, 15g trees total
  - American Sycamore, Bald Cypress, Red Maple, Loblolly Pine, Cedar Elm, American Elm





Cottage Grove Civic Association Potential Funded Projects

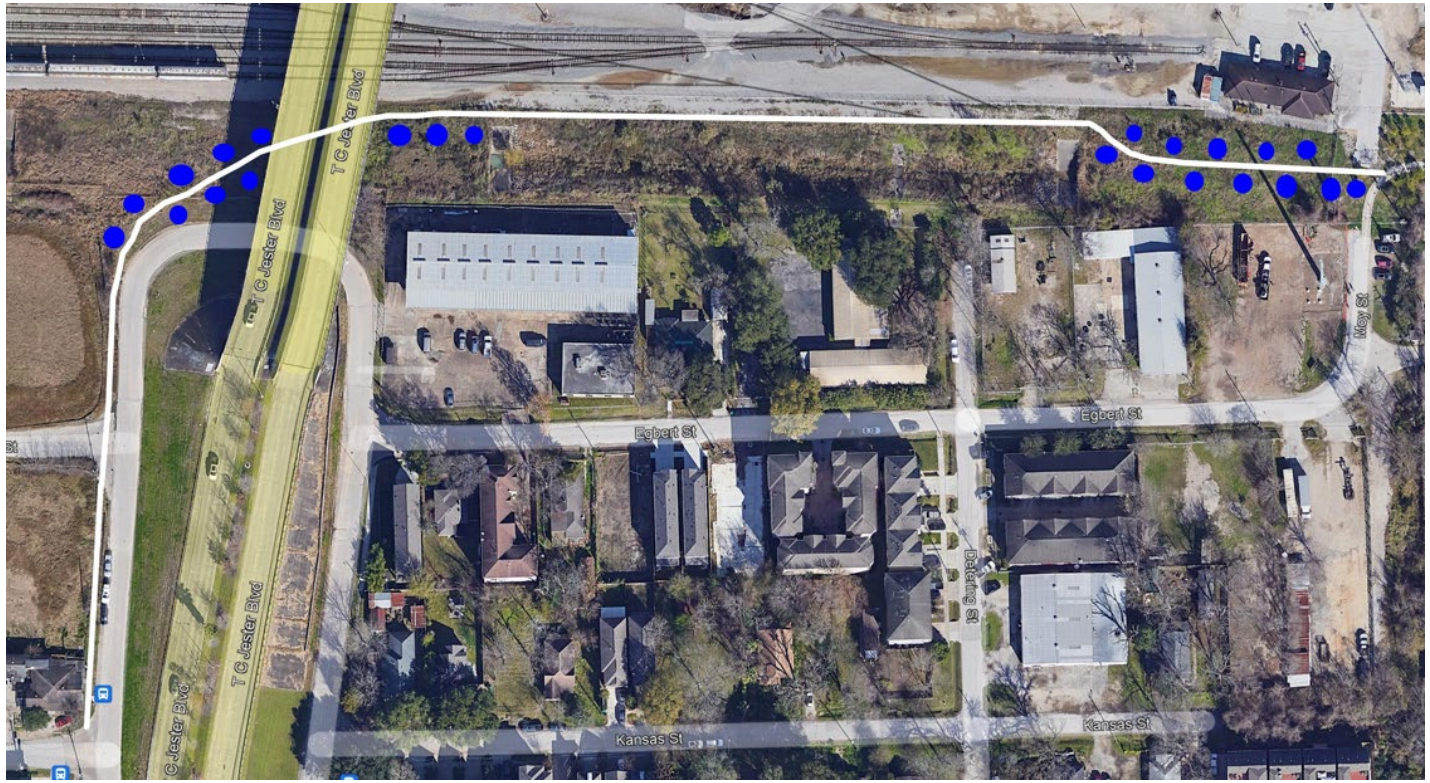
Potential Project - Hike & Bike Trail Trees

Add approximately 20 trees along the new hike/bike trail extension.

Estimated cost - $4,000

Alternative Funding Sources

- Trees for Houston
- Union Pacific?



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Dog Park

Background:
Currently the lack of a dog park has forced dog owners to utilize the baseball field as a makeshift dog park. Last year, the CA reached out to the parks department, where they mentioned that a recent dog park (Fonde Dog Park) was approximately $250k

Proposal[1]:

- Black Chain Link: **$64,140**
- Black Ornamental: **$70,633**

Scope of Project:

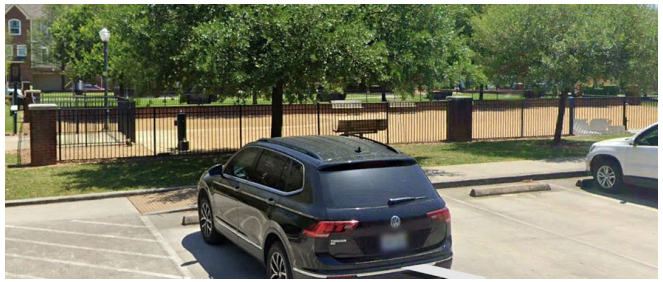
- Fence off and utilize existing green space
- 65' Wide by 120' Long Fenced Area
- (2) Entrances, (4) total gates
    - Each entrance has two gates.
- Extend sidewalk to each entrance.
- (2) Benches
- (2) Dog Waste Stations
- (1) Water Station

Next Steps:

- Submit Neighborhood Partnership Program Application
- Explore funding options (District C, community effort, business sponsorships)

Layout of Park & Approximate Location

West Webster Entrance Example (black ornamental)



West Webster Example (black ornamental

1: Proposal provided by a landscape architect

Member Vote

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CG CA Funded Project Vote Nov Meeting

Option 1
Hike & Bike Trail Trees

Option 2
Dog Park

Option 3
TC Jester Bridge Mural

Option 4
Hold funds for a later date

Q&A