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West University Place Acquires Property with Sights Set on Drainage Enhancements

WEST UNIVERSITY PLACE, TX – The West University Place City Council authorized \$4.5 million for the purchase of the ELPH Pipeline, which is property that runs through the City of West University Place from Bissonnet Street to Bellaire Boulevard and south through the City of Houston to Brays Bayou.

The newly acquired land is strategically positioned to support possible future storm drainage improvements for the west side of the city with construction of a new storm sewer trunk line that will move water directly from the City to Brays Bayou.

Mayor Susan Sample expressed her enthusiasm about the acquisition, stating, “This purchase comes at a pivotal time in West U’s 100-year history and the improvements that will be made to the property will bring drainage relief to a significant portion of the city and our residents. There is still a lot of work to be done, but this is a good first step and I am excited to be part of a Council whose focus and actions are about investment in infrastructure to ensure West U remains one of the best places to live in the United States.”

At its January 8 regular meeting, the City Council approved a budget amendment and authorized the City Manager to pursue the purchase of the property, which closed on August 22. Funding for this purchase is being transferred from the City’s Capital Reserve Fund.

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