

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF WALLER

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT

OF WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER DESIGNATING WALLER COUNTY URBAN REINVESTMENT ZONE 16
PURSUANT TO TEXAS TAX CODE SECTIONS 312.401 AND 312.201

**AN ORDER DESIGNATING A CERTAIN AREA WITHIN WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS
AS A REINVESTMENT ZONE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 312 OF THE TEXAS TAX
CODE, ESTABLISHING THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF, AND PROVIDING FOR AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.**

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Waller County, Texas (“County”) is a county of the State of Texas, having been duly created and organized under the constitution and laws of Texas, and further, the Waller County Commissioners Court (“Commissioners Court”) is the governing body of the County;

WHEREAS, Texas Tax Code Chapter 312 authorizes the County to designate reinvestment zones and enter into tax abatement agreements;

WHEREAS, the County adopted the Waller County Tax Abatement and Incentive Policy Guidelines and Criteria on November 29, 2023 governing reinvestment zones and tax abatement agreements;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court desires to create the proper economic and social environment to induce the investment in the county of private resources in productive business enterprises and to encourage the employment of residents of the County;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court desires to promote the development or redevelopment of a certain tract of land (the “Area”) within its jurisdiction by the creation of a reinvestment zone as authorized by Texas Tax Code Chapter 312 and the Waller County Tax Abatement and Incentive Policy Guidelines and Criteria;

WHEREAS, the Area does not include land within the taxing jurisdiction of a municipality;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court both published notice of the public hearing on the designation of the Area as Waller County Urban Reinvestment Zone 16 in The Waller County Express and The Katy Times, both newspapers having general circulation in the County, and delivered in writing to the presiding officer of the governing body of each taxing unit that includes in its boundaries real property that is to be included in the proposed reinvestment zone, and such notice was delivered not later than the seventh day before the public hearing;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court held a public hearing on the designation of the Area as Waller County Urban Reinvestment Zone 16, during which any interested person was able to appear and speak for or against the creation of the reinvestment zone and whether all or part of the territory described should be included in the proposed reinvestment zone;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court finds that designating the Area as a reinvestment zone will contribute to the retention or expansion of primary employment and/or will attract major investment in the zone that will be a benefit to the property to be included in the zone, and will contribute to the economic development of the county;

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court finds that it is in the best interest of the county to designate the property described as being a tract or parcel of land containing 71.9750 acres of land located in the H & T.C.R.R. Company, Section 107, Abstract 170, Waller County, Texas, said

71.9750 acre tract being all of Reserve B in Block 1 of Replat Pederson Road Business Park, a subdivision duly of record in Plat Number 1902425 in the Deed Records of Waller County, Texas, as a reinvestment zone, pursuant to Sections 312.401 and 312.201 of the Tax Code (The Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act);

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS THAT:

Section 1. Findings:

- a. The facts and recitations contained in the Recitals of this Order are hereby found and declared to be true and correct, and are adopted as part of this Order for all purposes.
- b. The Commissioners Court conducted the public hearing on July 23, 2025, heard evidence and testimony, and makes the following findings and determinations based on the evidence and testimony presented to it:
 1. The public hearing on the designation of the reinvestment zone was properly called, held, and conducted; and that notice of such hearing was published as required by law and provided to the respective presiding officers of the governing bodies and all taxing units overlapping the territory inside the proposed reinvestment zone;
 2. The designation of the reinvestment zone will result in benefits to Waller County, Texas; and will contribute to the retention or expansion of primary employment, and/or will attract major investment in the zone that will be a benefit to the property included in the zone, and will contribute to the economic development of the County.
 3. The Area meets the criteria set forth in the Texas Tax Code Chapter 312 and the Waller County Tax Abatement and Incentive Policy Guidelines and Criteria.
 4. No portion of the Area includes land within the taxing jurisdiction of a municipality.

Section 3. Zone Designation: The Commissioners Court hereby designates the area described by Exhibit A attached hereto, which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes, as a reinvestment zone under Texas Tax Code § 312.401. The reinvestment zone shall hereafter be named Waller County Urban Reinvestment Zone Number 16.

Section 4. Effective Date: The reinvestment zone shall take effect upon the passage of this Order, and shall remain in effect for a period of five years from the date of designation.

Section 5. Severability: If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Order shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Order.

Section 6. Notice: It is hereby found, determined, and declared that sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place, and subject of the meeting of the Commissioners Court at which this Order was adopted was posted at a place convenient and readily

accessible at all times as required by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, and that a public hearing was held prior to the designation of such reinvestment zone, and that proper notice of the hearing was published in a newspaper of general circulation within the County, and such notice was delivered to the presiding officers of any affected taxing entity as required by Texas Tax Code, Chapter 312.

ORDERED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED on this the 23rd day of July, 2025.

Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon III
County Judge

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Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

Kendrick Jones
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ATTEST

Debbie Hollan
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