

# City of Harker Heights

WASTEWATER IMPACT FEE STUDY



June 30, 2021

## What are Impact Fees?



One-time charge assessed to new development for a portion of costs related to specific capital improvements









State Law: Chapter 395 Texas Local Government Code



### Impact Fee Principles and Purpose

- Allows cities to recoup a portion of cost of providing improvements
- Provides an equitable structured approach to assessment of fees
- Impact fees for a new development based on how much water the site will consume



#### **Basic Question**

#### Who Pays for Growth?



No Impact Fees: Existing and future taxpayers build all capital facilities. Impact Fees:
New development
shares in part of
this responsibility.



## Program Development Process

CIAC COORDINATION **Develop Land Use Assumptions Develop Capital Improvement Plan Conduct Impact Fee Calculations/ Prepare Technical Report Public Hearings and Council Consideration** 

**Approve and Adopt Impact Fee Ordinance** 



#### Role of CIAC

- Planning and Zoning + Member from ETJ
- Provide Comment:
  - Land Use Assumptions
  - Impact Fee Capital Improvements Plan (CIP)
  - Provide Recommendation to Council



## What is eligible for Impact Fees?

- Recently constructed improvements with excess capacity to accommodate growth
- Proposed projects that will accommodate growth within the next
   10 years
  - Construction Cost, ROW Acquisition, Engineering and Surveying Fees, etc.
- Financing Costs
- Cost of Impact Fee Study



### Impact Fee Calculations

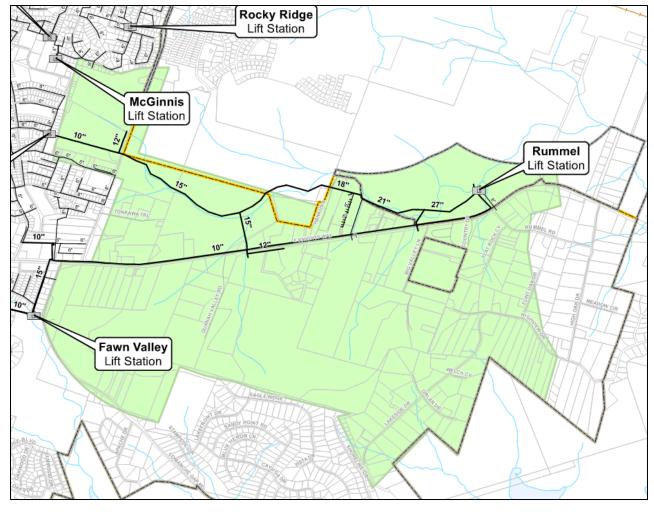
- Only percent of project utilized in the 10-year period is eligible
- Performed analysis to credit any portion of project costs that will be included in future water rates
- Impact fees calculated by dividing eligible CIP by growth in service units

Impact Fee = IFCIP Cost - Credit per Service Unit = New Service Units



## Impact Fee Service Area

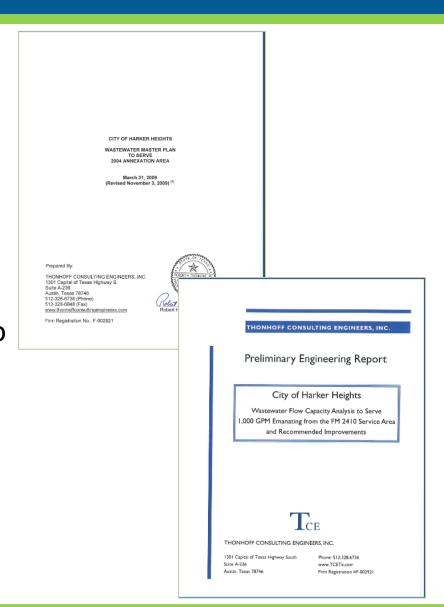






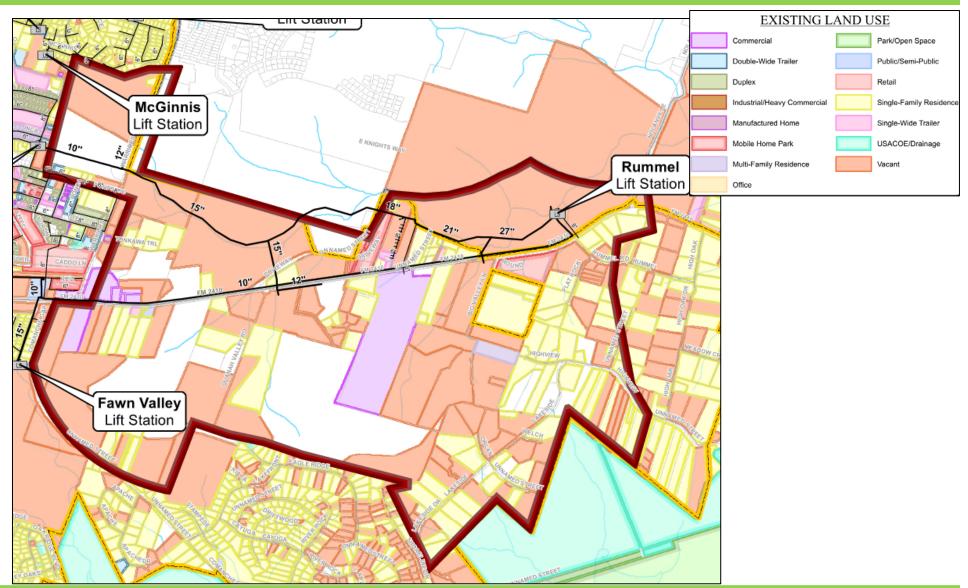
#### **Previous Studies**

- Thonhoff Consulting Engineers, Inc. – Wastewater Flow Capacity Analysis to Serve 1,000 gpm Emanating from the FM 2410 Service Area and Recommended Improvements- February 2021
- Thonhoff Consulting Engineers, Inc. – Wastewater Master Plan to Serve 2004 Annexation Area – November 2009



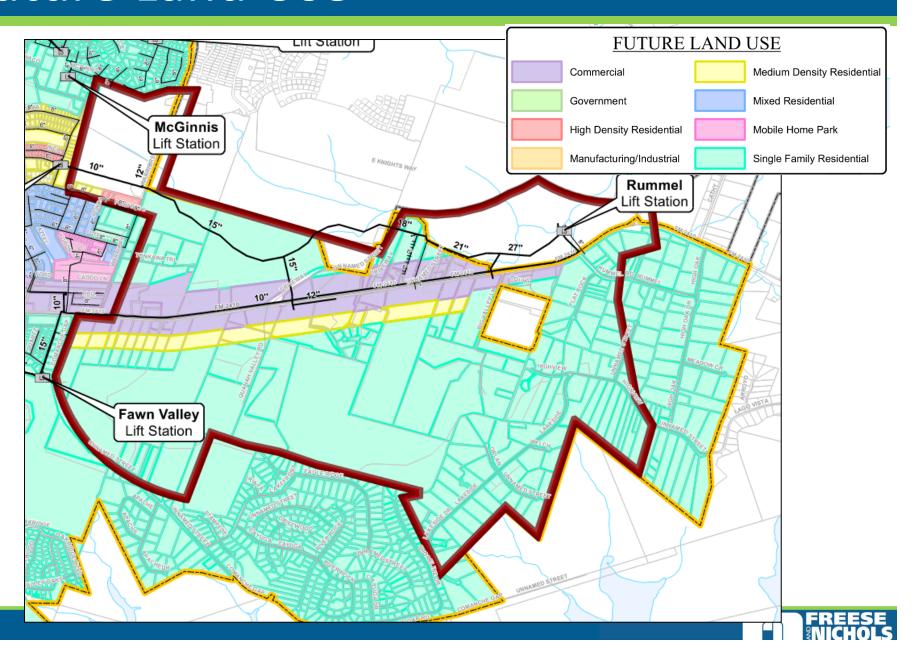


## **Existing Land Use**

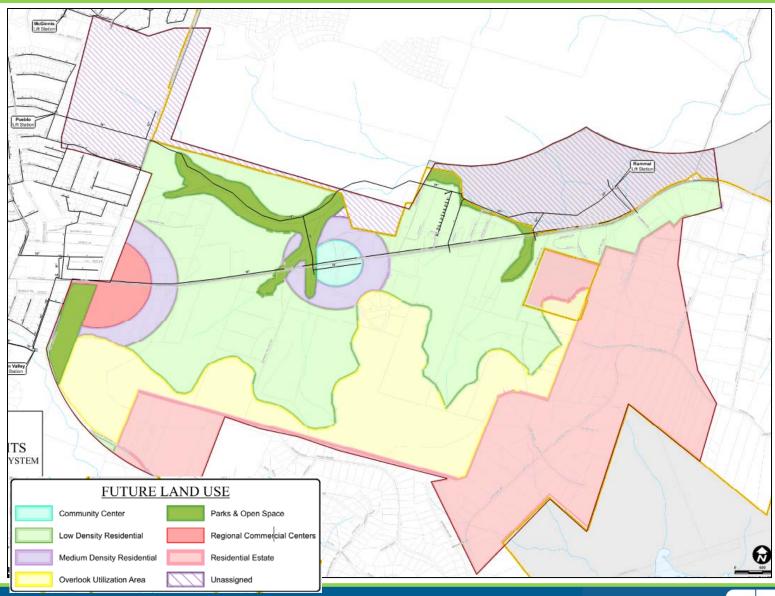




#### **Future Land Use**



## Proposed Future Land Use





### Service Area Growth Assumptions

Year	Connections
2021	125
2031	1,500



#### Project Schedule

- June 30: CIAC Meeting #1: Impact Fee 101
- August 25: CIAC Meeting #2: Land Use and CIP
- September 14: Council Resolution to set Public Hearing #1
- October 26: Public Hearing #1: Land Use and CIP
- November 9: Public Hearing #1: Land Use and CIP
- January 5: CIAC #3: Calculations and Recommendations
- January 11: Council Resolution to set Public Hearing #2
- February 22: Public Hearing #2: Impact Fee Ordinance
- March 8: Public Hearing #2: Impact Fee Ordinance





### **QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION**