



**Friends and neighbors,**

Serving District C has been the honor of my life thus far, and I could not be prouder of the progress we have made together. Thank you. It has been an extraordinary privilege; one I have truly loved every step of the way. Whether it was helping launch a major infrastructure project years in the making like Turkey Gully and Beechnut drainage projects, or reading an email from a constituent after my team helped resolve something as simple—but meaningful—as a missed trash pickup, or a frustrating water leak, **every moment has mattered.**

From my first day in office to now it has been a whirlwind of activity: investing in flood mitigation and fighting for more dollars to come to Houston, supporting families and children with safe housing and resources, improving access to parks and greenspaces, saving lives by tackling domestic violence and gun violence, and advocating for climate resilience through citywide and district initiatives.

In that time, I, along with my husband Matt, had our first child, navigated multiple disasters, celebrated major milestones for our district, and worked alongside so many of you to move Houston forward. Through it all, what has remained constant is the strength of this community.

**None of this work happens alone. It is only possible because of you.** Your engagement, your advocacy, your willingness to speak up, and your partnership when it mattered most. Thank you for trusting me to serve you, and for being a part of everything we have accomplished together.

**Onward,**

*Abbie Kamin*

**Council Member Abbie Kamin  
City of Houston, District C**

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## Together Every Step of the Way

*Constituent services have been at the heart of our commitment to the district. Fielding hundreds of thousands of calls and emails to working every day with neighbors and community organizations to leave a strong foundation of work and progress for future generations.*

## Public Safety

Since Day 1 Council Member Kamin's top priority has remained public safety. From investing in critical equipment and technology for our first responders to protecting neighborhoods facing extreme weather and natural disasters, from supporting neighborhood safety through district funding to being a champion on the frontlines in the fight to end gun violence and domestic violence, Council Member Kamin has led the charge.



### Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee – Chair, 2020-2024

Council Member Kamin served as Chair of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee, shepherding critical programs, technology, and initiatives through the duration of her first term.

- Ushered in the creation and integration of the city's new 911 Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and HPD Records Management System (RMS) technologies, modernizing public safety and emergency response systems to maximize efficiencies and response times.
- Secured millions of additional dollars in the city budget for cybersecurity.
- Lead the creation of the Office of Police Reform and Accountability, strengthening the Office of the Inspector General to provide independent investigation and oversight of HPD.
- Worked with Mayor Sylvester Turner to create the Police Reform Task Force, body camera footage release policies, supported the launch of Houston's Police Transparency Hub, and more in the wake of the death of Houston's son, George Floyd.
- Established Cite and Release policies with Mayor Turner and HPD, allowing officers to issue citations rather than arrest individuals for low-level misdemeanors.
- Creation of an aggressive Catalytic Converter Theft Deterrence Ordinance, used as a model for the State that passed under SB 224 in 2023, as well as ordinances requiring security cameras and improved lighting for high-crime locations including gas stations and nightclubs.
- Proposed the city's gun buy-back program, partnering with HPD under One Safe Houston to reduce the number of unwanted guns that can end up on our streets and in second-hand stores.
- Developed firearm violence data partnerships, including early conversations with doctors and health professionals on public databases that later became the basis of SAFEWatch Houston.

- Advocated for emergency response technology, technology infrastructure, and cybersecurity needs.
- Provided platforms for public education on emergency preparedness & grid stability.
- Approved new ordinance that requires hotels to train their employees on human trafficking prevention.

In her first term, Council Member Kamin worked with Council Member Alcorn and others to significantly strengthen the Noise Ordinance to address bad-actor bars that have impacted nearby residents for far too long and put a strain on public safety resources. Business is good for our city and while the majority of bar owners are terrific community partners, giving more teeth to our ordinances enables more efficient enforcement of bad actor bars and nightclubs.

## Gun Violence

While on a panel with doctors, medical researchers, and law enforcement leaders, Council Member Kamin identified a critical gap: there was no comprehensive data available to the public or health care experts on firearm violence in Houston. Council Member Kamin sprung into action, securing funding for the first-of-its-kind in the nation firearm injury dashboard, *SAFEWatch Houston*. Created with the Houston Health Department, it compiles hospital and TMC Level I Trauma Center visits with police reports, ambulance trips, and medical examiner mortality data. For the first time anywhere in the country, we can see a clear picture that allows for more specific health-based interventions, community outreach, and engagement to help save lives and reduce firearm injuries, especially for children and young adults.



Council Member Kamin’s efforts in the fight to end gun violence doesn’t stop there:

- Sponsored \$150,000 for #LockItUpSafe, a safe storage initiative started by Council Member Kamin and Chief Larry Satterwhite to provide free gun safes and locks to protect children and families from unsecured firearms.
  - Presented to schools, parent-teacher associations, and local community organizations on safe firearm storage.
  - Partnered with HPD to give out hundreds of free safes at the annual Freedom Over Texas festival.
  - Distributed gun safes and locks to pediatricians citywide, partnering with TMC researchers to share resources and offer trainings to primary care physicians on how to screen for firearm safety.

- Worked with Veteran advocacy groups, including the Mayor’s Office of Veteran Affairs, Harris County Veteran Services, the DeBakey VA Medical Center, Texas 2 Step, and the PTSD Foundation of America (Camp Hope) to advance and support intervention efforts.
  - Testified before the State House Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence Committee alongside Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) in support of legislation to enable licensed firearms stores and shooting ranges to participate in temporary secure firearm storage programs, giving veterans a safe and trusted place if they need to store their firearm while addressing a mental health crisis.
- Hosted press conferences for Suicide Prevention Month to raise awareness for Veteran suicide and address the nexus between veterans, suicide, and firearms and for Gun Safety Campaign to raise awareness for the need for safe storage, featuring the District Attorney Sean Teare, interfaith leaders including Rabbi David Lyon, and countless other leaders.
- Lifted up critical intervention and firearm safety organizations across Houston and Texas at City Council, honoring their work and raising awareness for the gun violence epidemic:
  - Wear Orange Weekend with Moms Demand Action
  - Gun Safety Awareness Month with Lock Arms for Life
  - National Gun Violence Awareness Day with Moms Demand Action and The Forgotten Third

## Domestic Violence

1 in 5 homicides in Houston are related to domestic violence by an intimate partner; a firearm in a home increases lethality five-fold. Unfortunately, we also see a high rate of unreported incidents, indicating DV incidents may be even higher than what is reported.

Houston is home to many critical community partners, working every day to protect survivors and raise awareness for domestic violence. Council Member Kamin has long worked with partners to help lift up initiatives and save lives.

- Championed One Safe Houston investments alongside Mayor Turner, including the expansion of HPD’s Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART) and preventative outreach strategies, totaling \$9.6 million.
- Raised awareness alongside Aid for Victims of Domestic Abuse (AVDA) and Clear Channel Outdoor for their annual Domestic Violence Awareness Month billboard campaign, sharing life-saving resources each October.
- Successfully pushed for inclusion of Domestic Violence prevention under the charge of the Mayor’s Office on Human Trafficking (now Office on Human Trafficking *and* Domestic Violence).
- Approved new ordinance requiring hotels to train their employees on human trafficking prevention – Council Member Kamin used this framework to introduce and pass a similar amendment to the City’s Short Term Rental Ordinance, passed in 2025.



- Supported \$16 million City investment for “One Safe Place Houston” at the Houston Area Women’s Center (HAWC), a new facility that increased capacity nearly 40%, offering housing, children’s education, and services for families.
- Sponsored events to support families at HAWC, including a Mother’s Day Brunch and partnering with HFD to deliver toys for HAWC’s holiday “Toy Shop” for parents to ‘shop’ for their kids.
- Funded \$15,000 grant to support two bilingual call-takers for HAWC’s 24/7 crisis hotline, as they play a vital role in helping victims and offering safe places for survivors.
- Received the Aid for Victims of Domestic Abuse (AVDA) 2025 Ambassador of Advocacy Award, in recognition of the countless initiatives and programs supported by the office.
- Launched #NoCOVIDAbuse awareness campaign with Mayor Turner, an initiative with the Houston Area Women’s Center to raise awareness and share resources, including hotlines, so survivors knew how to seek help in the “shadow pandemic” during COVID amidst the unprecedented rise of Domestic Violence.
- Worked with local nonprofits and other organizations to support survivors during the pandemic with hotel vouchers when shelters were at capacity.

Council Member Kamin has been a steadfast supporter of our local heroes and those that have given the ultimate sacrifice in service to our city and our nation. That includes working with residents and the family of late Arson Investigator Lemuel “DJ” Bruce to plant a memorial tree and install honorary street signs at W 18<sup>th</sup> and Seamist in his honor, and funding a mural at Lucky Fire Station 13 to honor Captain Will Gunderson, who passed in 2021, and Kimberly Smith, the first female HFD firefighter to die in the line of duty.

### District Dollars

Council Member Kamin ardently supported our first responders, law enforcement, and emergency management teams, including funding and investing in critical equipment, technology, and overtime to address neighborhood-level safety and quality of life concerns.

- Funded HPD overtime annually in response to neighborhood needs, totaling \$480,000
- Secured \$20,000 for new equipment, including sound meters and calibrators to assist HPD officers in enforcing sound restrictions.
- Funded \$20,000 Polaris vehicle for HPD to support officer response in specific areas, including within City parks and greenspaces where traditional vehicles cannot navigate the terrain.

- Purchased nearly \$60,000 for the city’s first public safety drones for the Office of Emergency Management and HFD, specifically equipped for disasters and other public safety emergencies to help transmit life-saving messages to residents.
- Funded \$15,000 for high-water rescue vehicles for HFD.
- Worked with HPD Central Division, pushing for development of the “Hot Spot Unit” to address high levels of noise at recurring times each week.
- Funded \$18,000 installation of cameras throughout Memorial Park in partnership with HPD, deterring and assisting investigation of car break-ins.
- Brought local businesses/organizations and City departments to the table to address dangerous car meetups throughout District C, including in the Memorial Park area and Shady Acres.



## One Safe Houston

In her first term, Council Member Kamin worked alongside Mayor Sylvester Turner to support One Safe Houston, a \$44 million investment to reduce crime and approach public safety through a holistic lens. Utilizing ARPA funding, this initiative saw success early on, from homicide rate reduction to improving mental health response in HPD.

- \$23 million for behavioral health programs
- \$9.6 million for domestic and sexual abuse responses
- \$20 million to increase overtime for HPD
- \$3 million for CURE Violence and Credible Messengers Programs
- \$1.9 million to 15 new park rangers
- \$1 million to create a robust Gun Buyback Initiative
- \$1 million to expand the existing Community Re-entry Network Program
- \$4.9 million to address the backlog at the Houston Forensic Science Center (HFSC)
- \$974,533 to purchase tactical support equipment (Technology Enhancement)
- \$7.2 million for cadet retention

Council Member Kamin secured an additional \$600,000 as a budget amendment for the Houston Forensic Science Center to address evidence testing backlogs during the pandemic.

## Affordable Housing & Homelessness

For years, Houston remained at the forefront of homelessness prevention and response: in 2022, the New York Times reported on Houston’s Housing First model and the City’s success in moving 25,000 people experiencing homelessness directly into apartments and homes since 2012. Council Member Kamin was a staunch supporter of this approach, from voting to approve funding for various programs at City Council and neighborhood initiatives within District C, to supporting those experiencing homelessness and connecting them to needed resources.



- Supported mixed-income and affordable housing development in District C, while securing neighborhood investments including improved infrastructure for surrounding neighborhoods.
- Ensured city criteria for affordable housing include sustainability rubrics and assessment.
- Supported unprecedented grant funding for Covenant House, a shelter for unhoused youth and teens located in District C for their new facility.
- Stood alongside Misfits and Tony's Place Houston in support of LGBTQIA+ unhoused youth to recognize their non-profit support.
- Supported the creation of the city's first Navigation Center to provide temporary housing to those experiencing homelessness.
- Passed \$100M in federal funding allocated to Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) for affordable housing construction.
- Opposed the 2025 expansion of the city's civility ordinance that makes it illegal for individuals to sit or lay on sidewalks at any time in Downtown and East End, citing concerns regarding criminalization that may preclude those from housing in the future who are already facing housing/job challenges, and the implications of putting more people into the system.
- Partnered with AT&T to provide unhoused teenagers with free laptops, allowing them to access education resources, workforce development programs, and more.
- Supported \$750,000 agreement with the Harris Center for ReCenter, an addiction treatment program for unhoused individuals seeking assistance with addiction management.
- Voted in favor of grant funding to expand city partnerships with local non-profits, providing housing, job training services, and more, including support for the new housing hub at 419 Emancipation.
- Brought attention to the need for more bed capacity while calling out dangerous state and federal funding cuts that are resulting in critical gaps the city is having to fill.

# Women and Families



## Women's Equity

Women's equity has always been a key priority for Council Member Kamin. As the youngest member to ever serve on Council, and first woman to serve while pregnant and give birth in-office, Council Member Kamin experienced firsthand the challenges faced every day by working families. This inspired her to work with HOPE AFSCME 123, the City of Houston employees' union, and other organizations to develop the city's first paid parent leave and prenatal wellness program to support new parents. This policy, passed unanimously by City Council in 2022, provides 12 paid weeks of parental leave for new parents along with 160 hours for prenatal wellness time during pregnancy and 40 hours for a child's first-year health appointments).

Council Member Kamin also spearheaded the creation of the City's first-ever Women's Commission, focused on advancing women's equity in Houston through identifying disparities, proposing recommendations, and advising local leaders on actionable steps.

Supporting Houstonian women didn't stop there for Council Member Kamin:

- Secured funding to provide free period products in restrooms at public city health facilities, addressing period poverty citywide.
- Provided \$25,000 in district funds to Planned Parenthood to help Texas women access the health care they needed, after decades of reproductive healthcare were dismantled. Council Member Kamin was the only elected official, from the federal level to the county to the city, to do so.
- Worked with Houston Airports to expand family concessions to include necessities and a wider range of baby supplies (leading to child supply vending machines still there today), step stools for children washing their hands, and secure child seats in restrooms.

## Children and Families

District C is home to thousands of families, and Council Member Kamin has dedicated funding, resources, and programming to support and advocate for our children and families.

- Supported the grand opening of Kids Meals, Inc. new headquarters at their ExxonMobil Campus, lifting up a critical development helping to feed thousands of hungry children under 5 that often fall through the gap of social services addressing food insecurity.
- Partnered with the Houston Zoo to give out thousands of free zoo tickets to families across District C, visiting neighborhoods during National Night Out, joining with faith institutions and churches, and more.

- Championed inclusive programming for children and youth with disabilities at the Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, helping the River Project and Theatre Under the Stars advocate for improved security and other critical needs at the facility.
- Honored Children at Risk during their annual golf tournament, an organization dedicated to driving change and leading advocacy to protect children and vulnerable youth statewide.
- Advocated for various city park improvements/needs to better accommodate our youngest Houstonians, from accessible playground equipment to shade structures and more.
- Funded \$28,000 for a “BookLINK” book vending machine with Houston Public Library at the African American History Research Center, improving access to books for youth in Fourth Ward/Freedmen’s Town.
- Voted for funding for critical supportive programming, including grants for Infant/Early Childhood Development Enrichment programs for families in need.
- Funded after school programs through HCDE CASE for Kids City Connections for organizations including Girls on the Run, Helms Elementary, HITS Theatre, National College Readiness Institute, Sisters Empowering S.I.S.T.A.S, Woods Project, Jewish Community Center and others.



Following the opening of the new One Safe Place Houston Area Women’s Center (HAWC) housing complex (which stemmed from \$15 million+ in City funding in 2022), Council Member Kamin partnered with HAWC to sponsor a Mother’s Day Brunch for the moms. She’s also provided additional resources for domestic violence survivors referenced in other parts of this report.

In 2025, Council Member Kamin partnered with the Houston Fire Department on Operation: Stocking Stuffer, a citywide toy drive created to ensure every child in Houston has a joyful holiday season. Council Member Kamin worked to make sure children in-need and their families were connected to this distribution, expanding access across the district and our city.

- After critical funding fell through, Council Member Kamin stepped in to support Houston Area Women’s Center (HAWC), delivering over 100 stockings full of toys for their “Toy Shop,” which allows moms at the shelter to “shop” for toys to later wrap for the holiday, helping make sure their kids see them as the heroes we know they are.
- Provided toys for children in a Red Cross shelter over the holidays after a fire destroyed their apartments.
- Worked with Kids Meals, a Houston non-profit that delivers meals to poverty-stricken preschool-aged children, to identify district families they serve and help their families give them toys for the holidays.

## Metropolitan “West Gray” Multi-Service Center

The Metropolitan Multi-Service Center, lovingly called “West Gray” by the community, is a pivotal resource for countless Houstonians: it’s the only public facility of its kind in the nation with comprehensive equipment, programming, and staff specifically for people with disabilities; it’s a haven during disasters, serving as a warming/cooling center and resource distribution site; it’s home to countless neighborhoods for their meetings; and it’s the largest voting center in Harris County, seeing hundreds of voters daily during election season.

Council Member Kamin spearheaded the creation of the “West Gray Master Plan,” an initiative to engage the community and revitalize the center to better serve Houstonians. You can read the Community Engagement Report on the Parks Department’s website. Following this report, Council Member Kamin worked with GSD and the Mayor’s Administration to push for the publication of a public “Request for Proposals” to identify possible paths forward for the Master Plan. This draft remains in-progress.

The West Gray Master Plan encompassed significant community engagement, along with advocacy for additional investments:

- Brought experts in community engagement to host a series of public info sessions, townhalls, and focus groups, with 6 public meetings held at West Gray and several stakeholder meetings.
- Secured \$10M in funding through the Montrose TIRZ for long-term funding for the revitalization of the facility. These funds are included in the approved Montrose TIRZ budget. Additionally, Council Member Kamin has allocated \$100,000 in district funds for the revitalization. These dollars have been transferred to a special fund, Fund 4515, to be held until the project moves forward.
- Secured millions in federal funding in partnership with Congresswoman Fletcher for short-term repairs.
- Held engagement meetings with community partners, such as TIRR Memorial Hermann, on expanded partnerships in the facility.
- Pushed for DR-24 CDBG funding for new generators and resilience investments at West Gray, totaling \$101 million across Houston.
- Funded \$19,000 to replace broken exercise equipment at West Gray.
- Put on a Visual Fire Alarms Distribution with MOPD and Houston Fire Department at West Gray.

## Investing in Innovative Programming



Houston’s vibrant arts scene is part of who we are: from museums to neighborhood mini murals, from the Houston Symphony to the River Oaks Community Orchestra, investing in the arts benefits our City and our local economy. Council Member Kamin has never wavered in her support of the arts.

- Secured millions of dollars in partnership with Arts Alliance for local art grants in the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, including support for \$3 million under the CARES Act to fund a music industry relief program, further supporting our diverse music community in Houston.
- Fought for arts funding at the West End Multi-Service Center after it was challenged at Council, pointing to data showing how art improves our health and wellbeing.
- Advocated against the cutting of city funds for art, emphasizing the importance of local art and cautioning against a piecemeal approach to tackle city budget deficits.
- Funded the restoration of vandalized mini murals in District C that featured important legacies and community spaces, including Women of SCOTUS in the Heights, Malala Yousafzai in Shady Acres, and the “VOTE” mural outside of the West Gray Multi-Service Center.
- Supported the banner district designation of Houston’s “Design District,” an effort years in the making that supports local businesses and highlights the character of the area.
- Supported grant applications for Art League Houston.
- Advocated annually for permit approval for the annual TRUE NORTH Heights Blvd Sculpture installation, including writing letters of support for the initiative.
- Co-sponsored funding at Council for public art installations highlighting Houston’s diversity.
- Recognizing historical arts institutions, including District C’s Museum of Fine Arts Houston for their 100th Anniversary of bringing art and culture to our entire region.



- Sponsored over \$50,000 in district dollars for local mini murals throughout District C, partnering with neighborhood associations to collaborate on designs, paying homage to special spaces in our district, and uplifting the legacy of local leaders who made indelible impacts in our community (see our “Neighborhoods” section below for more details).



Throughout her tenure, Council Member Kamin has been a staunch advocate for all animals and has continuously supported our city’s furry companions, whether through BARC, foster organizations, or supporting pet owners throughout the district.

- Allocated District Funding annually for “Ani-meals” Interfaith Ministries pet food delivery to residents in District C (this keeps pets in homes and off our streets).
- Supported major funding boosts for BARC animal adoption programs.
- Special recognitions to organizations raising awareness to end puppy mills and other threats to animal well-being.
- Voted for the puppy mill ban puppy mill, requiring pet stores within the city limits to sell only dogs and cats sourced from a humane organization or a municipal/county animal shelter.
- Hosted annual “Rescue Rallies,” waiving adoption fees for local foster organizations and rescue partners to help mitigate the cost of transferring animals scheduled to be euthanized to rescue organizations.
- Provided funding for BARC spay/neuter initiatives and adoption outreach campaigns.

### Supporting Students and Seniors

As a mother herself, Council Member Kamin understands and emphasizes the need for education, programming, and support for both school-aged children and infants/toddlers. In 2023, Texas voters approved Proposition 2, an amendment to the constitution that allows cities and counties to “opt-in” for property tax exemptions for qualifying childcare providers, including daycares. Council Member Kamin advocated for City Council to approve this 100% tax exemption, as it helps address a lack of affordable childcare (it was later passed by Council in 2024).

District C’s libraries are some of the most special spaces across the city, from the programming they offer to the amenities available to residents; our libraries (and librarians!) are in great need of further support and funding.

2024 saw the official grand opening of the new Montrose Library at the Montrose Collective! There are specialized youth, teen and adult spaces in addition to an outdoor patio right in the heart of the Montrose Collective.



Support for our libraries didn't stop there:

- Advocated with department leadership for long-overdue needs at the historic Heights Library, pushing for capital investment and working with the department to address short-term needs, including roof repairs after leaks and other critical work.
- Joined the Houston Public Library for their Black History Month read-in, highlighting the works of African American authors for local youth.
- Supported ongoing preservation efforts and the legacy at the African American History Research Center at the historic Gregory School, opened in 2009 to improve access to African American history and legacies in our city:
  - Funded design for a new fire suppression system at the library, utilizing technology for suppressing fires while protecting the historic materials housed and on-display there.
  - Funded a Houston Public Library “BookLINK,” book vending-machine to improve book access for youth in the neighborhood.
  - Hosted a Thanksgiving Storytime program at the AAHRC in partnership with the Houston Public Library’s youth programming team and local faith leaders, including Pastor Elmo Johnson and Pastor Sam Smith.
  - Funded \$40,000 for ADA accessible doors at the AAHRC.
  - Supported the historical designation for the Gregory Lincoln School, now home to the AAHRC.



- Supported the addition of the Family Place Library at the McGovern-Stella Link Library, a national model aimed at transforming public libraries into vital places for early childhood development and family engagement – Council Member Kamin also funded a \$90,000 crosswalk improvement at Stella Link and Underwood, improving access to the library!

- Commemorated the Heights Library’s 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, a beloved space and an historic landmark in the heart of the Heights.
- Broke ground on the Dr. Shannon Walker Neighborhood Library on Chimney Rock, which officially opened in 2024!

District C is home to dozens of schools, and Council Member Kamin has worked alongside PTOs/PTAs, school leaders, teachers, and community organizations to support our youngest Houstonians.

- Funded over \$40,000 for SPARK Parks throughout District C, improving playgrounds for both students and families visiting parks.
- Approved \$3.2 million for school safety crossing guards, including HISD. Council Member Kamin also recognized school crossing guard, Mr. Michael Phill, and community member, Davonta “Metro” Robbins, with proclamations commemorating their service to our great city.
- Presented at PTOs/PTAs and attended school fairs to distribute free gun safes and gun locks and share resources on safe firearm storage and tips for how to talk to children about firearm safety.
- Supported Freedmen’s Town Conservancy’s annual Summer Programs, funding \$28,000 to support youth education around Houston history, Freedmen’s Town’s legacy, and STEM subjects.
- Funded nearly \$150,000 for CASE for Kids over multiple years, supporting after school programming for students across the district.
- Worked with several faith communities and local organizations to distribute over a thousand backpacks with school supplies for students in need.
- Identified crossings near schools and parks in need, funding improvements and visibility upgrades to ensure safety of students and families.
- Invited high school students throughout the district to shadow and learn from the Council Member at City Council.
- Escalated need for updated parking signage around F.M. Black Middle School.
- Advocated for speed limit change along Heights Blvd for students walking to school (which has now been reduced to 30 mph).
- Secured extension of school zone from 21st St to north of 22nd St, improving safety conditions for students attending Hamilton Middle School.
- Approved grants and funding to support young adults entering the workforce, including workforce development programs benefiting underserved youth and grants for post-secondary education access initiatives for low-income students.

Council Member Kamin remains extremely concerned at the string of decisions negatively impacting our students, teachers, and families throughout Houston, and will continue to advocate for local control for our local schools. She has continued to support parents, teachers, and students during the HISD takeover. Whether escalating school conditions, or lifting up teachers’ experiences, Council Member Kamin has worked to ensure their voices are heard.

- Testified before the HISD Board, asking for leniency and support of students organizing to protest following ICE activities and families feeling unsafe.
- Moderated a panel on the HISD Bond, the largest school bond in Texas history, in 2024, ensuring parents and community members could be informed on the bond and ask questions on the proposed investments.

- Escalated mold and HVAC concerns at District C schools to HISD to ensure students can learn in a safe environment.
- Continued advocating for local control and improved conditions for Houston schools.

Council Member Kamin continues to support our seniors in District C. During times of disaster, she works with countless senior facilities throughout the district to ensure they have power, water, and resources. Around the holidays, she partners with community organizations and nonprofits to get meals to seniors and support programming that benefits them directly. And at Council, she speaks up for our most vulnerable, fighting to ensure safe living conditions and basic standards of care.



In her second term, Council Member Kamin heard directly from seniors and people with disabilities living at an independent living complex in the Heights: the sidewalks were in complete disrepair and posed hazards, particularly with sidewalk ramps that ejected wheelchair users into the street. Council Member Kamin took action by voicing concerns publicly to the Mayor, collaborating with the Mayor’s Office for People with Disabilities to secure funding, and facilitating collaboration between METRO, MOPD, and Houston Public Works to ensure the necessary sidewalk ramp replacements were completed.

Her advocacy for our seniors was extensive:

- Allocated funding annually to support Interfaith Ministries Meals-on-Wheels program, one of the largest meals on wheels programs in Texas serving 3500 seniors daily.
- Partnered with St. John’s Downtown and Bread of Life, along with Daikin, to provide air purifiers for free to low-income seniors in need.
- Worked with the AARP during the State Legislature’s 89<sup>th</sup> legislative session to advocate for improved standards for senior facilities, making sure we protect our most vulnerable.
- Elevated connectivity issues in the Heights nearby multiple senior living facilities, including broken sidewalks and ramp issues – new ramps and sidewalks were installed in partnership with METRO and the Mayor’s Office for People with Disabilities.
- Distributed meals to senior facilities without A/C during the 2024 weather disasters, partnering with CrowdSource Rescue to feed over 200 seniors.
- Funded new sidewalk ramps across District C to improve connectivity and ensure walkable pathways for seniors and people with disabilities.

- Supported the opening of the Law Harrington Senior Living Center, a facility under the Montrose Center serving low-income seniors (regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation).
- Sponsored the West End Multi-Service Center’s annual Easter Egg Hunt for seniors and children, contributing small toys and baskets to support participants of all ages.
- Funded \$5,000 to Interfaith Ministries and BARC to provide pet food to seniors served by Meals-on-Wheels.
- Partnered with the Greater Houston LGBTQ+ Chamber of Commerce for their holiday food drive, ensuring seniors are taken care in the winter weather.

## Resilience and Extreme Weather

In Council Member Kamin’s first year in office, the world came to a halt. The COVID-19 pandemic reshaped daily life, and local government became a critical lifeline for residents navigating uncertainty. As a Council Member, she worked with nonprofits, local leaders, and community organizations to support those most in need. As an expectant mother at the height of the pandemic, Council Member Kamin used her platform to enact change and support other women and mothers facing similar challenges, including getting the COVID-19 vaccine and sharing her story with the community.



The COVID-19 response from Council Member Kamin, and the City as a whole, was an example for cities across the country in bringing Houstonians together in times of need:

- Spearheaded the creation of Fund&Feed with CrowdSource Rescue to support local businesses and bring meals to seniors who were homebound or couldn’t leave due to health vulnerability.
- Worked with nonprofits to provide hotel vouchers for victims of domestic violence when shelters were at capacity.
- Launched #NoCOVIDAbuse campaign with Mayor Turner, and Domestic Violence prevention and response partners, like Houston Area Women’s Center, and even the Houston Dash, raising awareness and informing survivors of domestic violence how to seek help when they are trapped at home.
- Worked with the Mayor’s Office of New Americans and Immigrant Communities to talk about COVID response, and address the challenges undocumented residents faced, from seeking medical assistance to accessing critical resources.
- Spoke out against racist and xenophobic language in the aftermath of COVID-19 in partnership with the Anti-Defamation League and other civil rights organizations.

In the years since the pandemic, our responsibility as a city to serve as a lifeline has only grown. Houston has experienced 11 federally declared disasters in 9 years (6 during Council Member Kamin’s time in office, including 3 in 2024 alone), spanning from floods, droughts, derechos, and dangerous freezes. In Hurricane Harvey alone, climate change increased rainfall significantly and resulted in over \$125 billion in damages.

As severe weather in Houston becomes more prevalent, District C has remained focused on preparedness, rapid response, and long-term resilience. Throughout each weather event during her time on council, Council Member Kamin and District C staff activated for response and deployment, serving residents impacted by the storms. Council Member Kamin has approached resiliency with a clear understanding: protecting residents requires both immediate action in moments of crisis and sustained investment to prepare for what comes next.



## Strengthening Partnerships and Preparedness

Council Member Kamin and the District C office gained critical knowledge following firsthand experiences through winter storms, floods, hurricanes, and droughts, which has been invaluable in developing infrastructure and planning. We know another storm is coming, and we need to be prepared.

- Established a \$47,000 partnership with Houston ToolBank and District C, enabling the office to deploy disaster response equipment and tools ahead of storms throughout the district should a need arise.
- Funded over \$30,000 in disaster response equipment and tools, including generators, muck-and-gut supplies, portable A/C units, and more to directly assist and serve District C residents.
- Worked with OEM to identify five District C disaster hubs to serve as points of distribution and recovery centers in each part of the district (including ISKCON of Houston in the North, Rice University, the Ismaili Center, and Lakewood Church in the center, and the Evelyn Rubenstein JCC in the South).
- Coordinated ahead of the January 2025 winter storm with HPD, METRO PD, HPARD, and partners to fully staff and secure warming centers, creating a framework for coordination ahead of future storms.

Disaster response is an all-hands-on-deck effort. It requires coordination, trust, and strong partnerships across the city, and across sectors. Council Member Kamin has worked to build a network of organizations, agencies, and community leaders to ensure residents receive support quickly and effectively.

- Pioneered a first-of-its-kind agreement with the Evelyn Rubenstein JCC in Meyerland and the City’s Office of Emergency Management (OEM) to establish the JCC as a disaster recovery hub, allowing for more efficient deployment and center stand-up after disaster.
- Established relationships with our labor partners, including the Gulf Coast AFL-CIO and their Apprenticeship Advantage Program, to get boots on the ground and connect skilled laborers to families in need.
- Connected with multiple organizations to coordinate efforts ahead of storm season, including the Houston Food Bank, CrowdSource Rescue, Interfaith Ministries, Volunteer Organizations in Active Disaster, SEWA, West Houston Area Ministries, and more.
- Stayed in consistent contact with neighborhood leaders and clubs to disseminate information quickly before, during, and after storms.



## On-the-Ground Efforts

Pre-storm preparation helped ensure District C was immediately ready for disaster response. For each storm, Council Member Kamin remained laser-focused on ensuring District C residents were informed, and that our office was ready to activate.

- Delivered daily alerts and real-time updates ahead of major storms, ensuring residents were informed and had access to critical resources before conditions worsened.
- Staff members monitored inbound calls/emails to the District C office 7 days a week until power was restored to all.
- Activated district rapid response efforts during emergencies including COVID-19, Winter Storm Uri, the Derecho, Hurricane Beryl, multiple winter freezes, and other emergencies.
  - o Personally facilitated rapid re-housing for individuals and families with young children experiencing homelessness following the Derecho and Hurricane Beryl.
  - o Brought attention to inhabitable classrooms, from heaters breaking during freezing temperatures to AC units failing in Houston’s heat, as well as the inexcusable repair delays to schools damaged in the Derecho and Hurricane Beryl.
  - o Secured temporary housing solutions for vulnerable residents, including individuals with disabilities.

- o Secured meal storage refrigerator trailers for Interfaith Ministries to ensure Meals-on-Wheels programs continue in the midst of unprecedented power outages/grid-failures and other disasters.
- o Stood up cooling centers for senior homes and complexes without power or working generators to power fans/AC units (we also contacted several senior centers across the district and made in-person checks, ensuring any outstanding needs were met).
- o Provided cooling equipment to the West Gray Multi-Service Center for vulnerable residents seeking shelter.
- o Created a dedicated and more private sleeping space for families with children at the West Gray Multi-Service Center warming shelter.
- o Provided tarps and supplies for senior housing in Freedmen's Town to stop water from a damaged roof during a storm.
- o Delivered cases of water to veterans housing complexes, senior centers, apartment complexes with vulnerable populations, and West Gray Multi-Service Center.
- o Provided food and water to houses of worship for distribution to underserved communities without power.
- o Recruited volunteers to deploy in district neighborhoods hardest hit to help clear debris from homes, in partnership with Career and Recovery Resources.
- o Supported Interfaith Ministries recovery efforts after Winter Storm Uri, volunteering to sort pet food and distribute water to those in need.
- o Worked with HFD Wildland Division and Public Works to clear streets blocked by downed trees, and joined residents to hand out water and snacks to line-workers.
- o Escalated critical community and social service centers without power, advocating with OEM and CenterPoint to re-establish power to facilities in need.
- o Coordinated with civic associations and neighborhood leaders to make sure volunteers and partners were there to assist with distributions and debris removal in the hardest-hit neighborhoods.
- o Provided essential supplies like food, water, tarps, generators, and cooling and heating support to vulnerable residents through distributions.
- o Worked with Plumbers Local 68, Mayor Turner, and Council Member Alcorn to distribute water to 150 seniors at Historic Oaks of Allen Pkwy after Winter Storm Uri.
- o The District C Office maintained around-the-clock communication with residents experiencing power outages and other issues until recovery efforts were fully underway.



Emergency responses don't just occur during weather disasters or severe storms. In the face of plant explosions, apartment fires, and other emergencies, Council Member Kamin has stood up and ensured all of our residents had access to assistance.

- Fought for better protections in the aftermath of the Watson Grinding and Manufacturing Plant explosion, including proposing tighter thresholds for reporting chemicals, securing funding for an additional Hazmat Unit which was critical for life safety, and requiring more inspections.
- Activated for response following critical apartment fire at Life at Jackson Square, where alarms hadn't gone off and dozens of families and children were displaced or lost their homes in the middle of cold winter temperatures.
  - Assisted at the temporary shelter, distributing resources and checking in on families to make sure they had what they needed.
  - Brought stuffed animals, coloring books, and other toys for the children displaced by the fire.
  - Advocated for mothers and infants displaced, ensuring access to diapers, formula, and other critical supplies.
  - Worked with Houston Fire Department to help bring toys to the shelter for kids staying at the shelter right before the holidays, giving out over a hundred toys to help the parents have a joyful holiday season.
- Collaborated with the Office of Emergency Management, WHAM, Lakewood Church, SEWA, the Houston Health Department, BakerRipley, Grace Bible Church, and more to step up when Life at Jackson Square in District C was without heat or hot water during the 2026 freeze.
  - Distributed thousands of blankets, socks, sleeping bags, hand warmers, and resources to residents across hundreds of units without heat, hosting mass distribution and going door-to-door to apartments without heat.
  - Called for investigations that uncovered neglected issues with heat just days prior to the life-threatening cold temperatures reaching Houston.
  - Advocated in the aftermath for accountability of property owners and resources for residents living in deplorable conditions.



## Advocacy in the Aftermath

When the storm subsides, the power is restored, and residents return to their routines, it's incumbent upon local leadership to secure protections before the next storm comes. In the aftermath of these storms, Council Member Kamin advocated tirelessly for our residents, both locally at Council and nationally.

Winter Storm Uri exposed just how fragile the Texas grid system is. Council Member Kamin has continued to explore options to bolster resilience and grid strengthening efforts at every level of government to make sure Houstonians are not left in the dark. She joined the Texas Delegation with the Consul General of Denmark to visit their country, studying global energy transition strategies and gaining insight into the economic opportunities of energy transition technology.

- At the National League of Cities, Council Member Kamin was featured on a panel related to grid resiliency, taking this opportunity to raise awareness on the critical vulnerabilities of our power grid and the state's malfeasance when it comes to utility oversight.
- Introduced budget amendment alongside Council Member Peck ensuring Houston Fire Department Wildland's Division is reimbursed for their response efforts (FY 26)
- Fought for stronger and more resilient infrastructure for planned local infrastructure projects (including Montrose Boulevard), such as burying power lines to reduce the impact on Houstonians during a storm.
- Consistently voted against utility rate hikes and publicly called for refunds for residents impacted by outages.
- Hosted "Tree Care and Maintenance" town halls with Trees for Houston and community partners, helping residents do their part and maintain their trees to reduce risk of downed power lines.
- Advocated for Houston's fair share of flood dollars, including reversing the Texas General Land Office's previous refusal to give Houston and Harris County a single dollar of 4 billion federal Harvey recovery dollars intended for areas hardest hit.
- Submitted letters of support and worked with local, state, and federal officials to secure critical funding and resources.
- Coordinated debris removal, power restoration, and service deployment to accelerate recovery timelines.
- Advocated with the AARP to fight for better protections for our seniors during storms, including elevator access, evacuation plans, and more.
- Supported funding for debris removal, lifting up issues of blocked drainage and illegal dumping from storm debris that remained for months.
- Coordinated with the Office of Emergency Management to pre-screen disaster recovery and response locations, recapping best practices and lessons learned following previous activations.

# Flooding and Infrastructure



Council Member Kamin represents some of the most repetitively flooded regions in the city, and likely the state. Houston has faced flooding challenges since its founding, but that does not mean we must accept that for our future. Council Member Kamin has prioritized both large-scale infrastructure investments and targeted neighborhood improvements to reduce risk and improve quality of life.

Following Harvey, Council Member Kamin advocated for Houston’s fair share of flood dollars, including reversing the Texas General Land Office’s previous refusal to give Houston and Harris County a single dollar of 4 billion federal Harvey recovery dollars intended for areas hardest hit.

- Advocated for hundreds of flood victims in District C who were left out of critical Harvey assistance through no fault of their own when the Texas GLO took over the City’s Homeowner Assistance Program.
- Supported agreement with GLO in 2021 to allow the City to continue administering Harvey homeowner assistance, including \$10M for reimbursement applications to ensure District C residents were not left out of the process.
- Worked with the administration to clarify rules allowing city employees to access some city assistance programs after Harvey, emphasizing that many of our city workers had homes flood alongside residents, and the need for equal access to help.
- Fought against the diversion of critical relief dollars from Houston and Harris County following Hurricane Harvey, testifying at a Congressional hearing regarding these dollars.
- Passed a budget amendment with Council Member Peck to create district “Ditch Teams” to address basic rehab needs for residents. Council Member Kamin has allocated \$100,000 each FY to addressing ditches.
- During her tenure, Council also passed a new ordinance that brought ditch maintenance back under the responsibility of the city. That program is already underway to bring relief to Houstonians throughout the city.
- She continues to sound the alarm when it comes to needs for flood recovery and mitigation dollars and disaster assistance.



### *Major investments and system improvements*

With a city our size, it's not easy to secure funding for major projects, even when the need is great. Working with city departments and neighbors, Council Member Kamin fought to secure hundreds of millions of dollars in drainage, stormwater, and street improvement projects across District C.

- Secured over \$16.9 million for the Turkey Gully Paving & Drainage Project, a long-awaited project that will reduce flooding for up to 238 homes and businesses in Shady Acres. It is currently in the design phase, and is slated for contract approval in Fall 2026, pending collaboration with utilities and required public hearings.
- Advocated for the \$10 million Meyergrove Detention Basin in partnership with Congresswoman Lizzie Fletcher & Precinct 1 Commissioner Rodney Ellis, storing up to 27 million gallons of stormwater during rain events to prevent overflow (even before completion, the basin held water during Hurricane Beryl, helping prevent severe flooding). Phase II is on the way right down the street!
- Supported Project Brays, a 40-year, \$480 million endeavor to substantially reduce flooding risks along Brays Bayou in the Southwestern portion of the district (along with other critical channel improvements leading from the Houston Ship Channel to Fondren Road).
- Spearheaded collaboration on a \$5.6 million drainage and street improvement project for the Maplewood North neighborhood, securing \$40,000 drainage study through the Southwest TIRZ that later informed decisions and investments through Houston Public Works and District C for a neighborhood experiencing repetitive flooding.
- Secured additional flood mitigation projects in the district, including new detention basins along N Braeswood Blvd, holding up to 2.6 million gallons of stormwater.
- Leveraged advanced mapping tools and comprehensive stormwater assessment to estimate drainage conditions and needs across Brays, Buffalo, and White Oak bayous.
- Conducted site visits with Houston Public Works and City Engineering teams to address recurring flooding issues.

## City Investments

Following Harvey, Houston established Stormwater Action Teams (SWAT) to reduce localized drainage problems that were not directly related to river/bayou overflow. SWAT projects include upgrades to existing drainage systems, storm sewer replacements, upsizing of storm inlets, ditch clearing and regrading, and so much more. Council Member Kamin was dedicated to using these funds wisely in District C, getting the most out of every dollar while addressing our neighborhoods most in-need, ultimately delivering over \$17.3 million in SWAT funding.

*SWAT projects completed during her time on Council include:*

- \$460,000 stormwater drainage system improvements for Vermont St (from McDuffie to Morse).
- \$450,000 stormwater drainage system improvements for Birdwood Road (from Hillcroft to Birdwood Court).
- \$269,000 open roadside ditch rehabilitation project Crooms St (from Asbury to Deterling).
- \$540,000 open roadside ditch rehabilitation project for Blossom, Roy, and Reinerman (from Lester to Sandman).
- \$2.04 million roadside ditch rehabilitation project in Shady Acres on W 22<sup>nd</sup> and W 24<sup>th</sup> (from Durham to Bevis).
- \$525,000 open roadside ditch rehabilitation and driveway culvert replacement project in Cottage Grove.
- \$1.4 million storm sewer relocation and upgrade project along Beechnut.
- \$1.79 million open roadside ditch and stormwater drainage system improvement project in the Woodcrest neighborhood.

*Projects still in progress:*

- \$950,000 open roadside ditch rehabilitation and culvert/inlet upsizing project at E 8th and Oxford – In Design.
- \$1.9 million open roadside ditch regrading and culvert replacement project in Ella Lee Forest neighborhood -- In Design.
- \$739,000 stormwater drainage system and inlet upsizing project along Greenbriar (from Maroneal to Main) - In Design.
- \$847,000 stormwater system and inlet upsizing project in Kingston Terrace, along Braesmont from Jackwood to Ariel – In Design.
- \$445,000 open roadside ditch rehabilitation and driveway culvert upsizing project at Milwee and Zoch – Funded.
- \$829,000 storm sewer system and inlet improvement project at Woodhead and Portsmouth – Funded.
- \$270,000 design study to inform future stormwater investments for W 31st and Yale – Funded.

## Capital Projects and Long-Term Infrastructure

Each year, City Council adopts the 5-year Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Plan, updated annually that address major infrastructure and facility needs throughout Houston. Council Member Kamin has advocated for Capital Improvement Projects throughout the district, not only pushing for their creation, but also following through to ensure timely investment and avoiding costly repairs following deferred maintenance.

Additionally, Council Member Kamin has successfully advocated for and parlayed partnerships on critical large-scale investments for District C infrastructure. Council Member Kamin fought for funding for the \$115 million Shepherd-Durham Reconstruction Project, a project that completely revitalizes this corridor to improve pedestrian safety, rehabilitate roadways, and create lasting infrastructure for businesses throughout the area. Following a temporary pause on the project by the Administration, Council Member Kamin successfully pushed for project movement, citing concerns of possible federal funding losses. This project has entered Phase 2, with completion slated for Fall 2028.

Today, several CIP projects have been successfully complete, including investments totaling \$91.5 million in major projects and supporting over \$36.6 million in water line projects.

- \$12 million: Heights, Brashear, Memorial Heights Paving & Drainage CIP - Construction Complete
- \$21 million: Garden Oaks & Shepherd Park West Paving & Drainage CIP - Construction Complete
- \$1.5 million: Cottage Grove East Phase 1 - Construction Complete
- \$25.7 million: Cottage Grove East Phase 2 - Design Complete
- \$15 million: Chateau Forest Area Paving & Drainage - Design Complete
- \$10 million: Roseland Area Paving & Drainage CIP - Design Complete
- \$42 million: 72-in Waterline from Crawford to Mt. Vernon - Construction Complete

### *Projects In-design:*

- Turkey Gully Paving & Drainage Project
- North Canal High Flow Diversion Channel
- University Boulevard Paving & Drainage Project: Kirby to Morningside
- Dunlavy Paving & Drainage Project: West Dallas to Peden
- Antoine Paving & Drainage: Acorn to US 290 & Acorn to Cole Creek (Segment II)
- Bissonnet Corridor Safe Streets Project: Dairy Ashford to Hillcroft
- Gray and Taft Area Paving and Drainage Project
- Pedestrian Bridge Replacement over Poor Farm Ditch on Sewanee St
- Westchester and Westpark Safety Improvement Package
- Freedmen's Town Brick Street Improvement Project

## Neighborhood-level drainage solutions



Our district not only has some of the oldest infrastructure in the city, it has likely experienced the most repetitive flooding in the entire region. Residents of District C know firsthand the importance of local drainage, with many seeing structural flooding or impassable roads after a typical Houston rain. Our constituents have been vital partners throughout this process, helping identify areas of need and bringing attention to issues affecting their neighborhoods.

Many of our construction projects were shaped and finalized through collaboration with neighborhood leaders, community organizations, and countless others, all working together to achieve the best possible outcomes for our residents.

Some highlights:

- Haddon St Drainage Project -- District C met with residents on-site near Haddon and Driscoll regarding ongoing major street flooding on Haddon St (from Morse to McDuffie) during average rain events. Following District C's escalation, the location was taken on by HPW's Local Drainage Program, with a project being completed in 2025
- Taft St Drainage Project – we escalated the need for drainage improvements along Taft St for multiple years and was accepted into HPW's Local Drainage Program. Construction began on the drainage project in March 2026, and anticipated for completion by early Summer 2026.
- Beechnut – Council Member Kamin was relentless in pushing for drainage to bring relief along Beechnut (from 610 to Newcastle) where roads were impassable in a basic rain event. Sending HPW crews out multiple times until the issues were identified and the project could take shape. She allocated nearly \$1.5M. This, in conjunction with the Meyer Grove Detention Basins and the new partnership with City of Bellaire for the Beechnut detention basins as part of the Cypress Ditch project Cypress Ditch is transforming flood resiliency for the area.
- District C Ditch Team Survey - Thanks to residents who flagged problem areas and submitted photos, Council Member Kamin's Ditch Team survey helped secure more than 8 miles of ditch rehabilitation totaling over \$438K (\$125K in District C service funds) across the Magnolia Grove, Rice Military, and Woodcrest neighborhoods in Spring 2025.

## Policy and long-term systems change

- Created the City’s first Green Stormwater Infrastructure Tax Abatement Program, incentivizing responsible green infrastructure for commercial development.
- Partnered with Rice University, Walter P. Moore, and HPW to develop and adopt new green stormwater infrastructure standards (bioswales, permeable systems, and other sustainable solutions) to the City’s Infrastructure Design Manual to support drainage and clean air. This was included in the 2026 IDM, Ch. 9
- Launched Brazos Bridge Beautification project with Courtland Place Residents to improve landscaping, while also providing additional tree canopy to reduce urban heat effect and help retain stormwater.
- Supported Mayor Turner’s ditch re-establishment program to transfer responsibility for ditch maintenance back to the city, resulting in \$40 million allocation for regrading, cleaning, and addressing ditches in need and established a maintenance schedule.
- Supported FEMA Home Elevation Program and federal flood recovery funding efforts.
- Invested in repairs to aging water infrastructure.

## Streets and Sidewalks



The unfortunate reality is that Houston has some of the most dangerous streets in the country. In recent years, traffic-related fatalities have continued to rise, reinforcing the need to treat roadway safety as a true public safety issue. Since 2024, traffic deaths have outnumbered homicides within the City of Houston (this trend has continued through March 2026). Council Member Kamin has approached streets, sidewalks, and mobility improvements with that urgency, recognizing that the way we design our infrastructure directly impacts the safety and quality of life of our residents.

In her first term, Council Member Kamin worked with Mayor Turner, neighborhood associations, and countless residents to complete the \$2.3 million 11<sup>th</sup> Street Safety Improvement Project, installing safe sidewalks, bike lanes, improved crosswalks, and so much more to improve pedestrian visibility. In 2025, Council Member Castillo and Council Member Kamin hosted an 11<sup>th</sup> Street Listening Session, hearing from hundreds of residents in oral and

written comments, including students attending nearby schools, local businesses, families, and neighborhood leader, and creating space for residents to share feedback directly and inform future decisions.

Following the removal of the raised crosswalk connecting the Montrose Collective, the Montrose Library, and other local businesses, Council Member Kamin advocated for improved safety investments (and requesting the crosswalk be put back). As many residents spoke out about the dangerous intersection, Council Member Kamin honored a local volunteer who had dedicated hours each week to stand as a crossing guard at the intersection. She continues to lift up concerns regarding the need for safe infrastructure.

Council Member Kamin has been laser focused on improving safety for students and families, particularly in areas lacking safe crossings, as well as high-traffic areas with many families and seniors. Whether it's advocating for raised crosswalks, investing in flashing beacons, or supporting our crossing guards on the ground, the work hasn't stopped for our youngest Houstonians. Council Member Kamin has strategically allocated District Service Funds to deliver targeted, high-impact improvements, with an emphasis on fiscal responsibility and getting the most out of every dollar.



A few project highlights:

- Flashing Beacon at 13th & Yale – \$40,000
- Intersection Improvements at 13th & Columbia – \$13,000
  - Installation of ADA-compliant ramps, restriping of crossings, and reconfiguration of signage to promote safer crossing for students traveling to Heights High School
- TC Jester & White Oak Bayou Crossing – Intersection Safety – \$70,000
  - Pedestrian refuges created from existing medians as well as the installation of rapid flashing beacons, signage, and crossing paint, as well as ADA-compliant ramps
- Atwell & Queensloch Crosswalk & Intersection Safety (in partnership with ERJCC) – \$65,000
  - Installation of crossing paint, ADA-compliant ramps and sidewalk, and signage for safe crossing at Atwell and Queensloch leading to the new pedestrian gate at the ERJCC
- MKT Trail and Waverly Crossing Safety Upgrades (partnership with Memorial Heights TIRZ) – \$25,000

- Pershing Middle School, Mark Twain Elementary School, McGovern Library Crossing Package (includes Stella Link Crossings and Rabbi Karff Bridge) -- \$337,000
  - Safe crossing package to bring safe crossings with pedestrian medians, ADA-compliant ramps, signage, crossing paint, and flashing beacons to five locations heavily used by students and families of Mark Twain ES, Pershing MS, and the McGovern Library.
  - 4 Locations along Stella Link, and one on N Braeswood near the Rabbi Karff Bridge
- TC Jester Crossings Package -- \$100,000
  - Improved crosswalks to improve connection between the neighborhood and the White Oak Bayou trail, and TC Jester Park. Improvements include pedestrian refuges at the intersections of TC Jester and Lamonte, Du Barry, and Saxon; TC Jester and Saxon also included a flashing beacon due to high traffic.
- Timbergrove Park and School Crossing Package - \$136,000
  - Improved Sinclair Elementary Crossing at Ella and Grovewood - partnered with Harris County Precinct 4 to support investment in sidewalk ramps and crossing paint. District dollars have been allocated for flashing beacons to be installed following ramp installation, to improve visibility for families crossing.
  - Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve crossing improvements in partnership with Memorial Heights TIRZ, including crosswalk paint, pedestrian refuges, and new crosswalk ramps for 11<sup>th</sup> and Shirkmere and 11<sup>th</sup> and Shelterwood, improving access to the park and greenspace.
- Baker Montessori Yupon Street Sidewalk Improvements
  - Worked with Houston Public Works to incorporate sidewalk improvements and a fresh crosswalk leading up to Baker Montessori in Montrose, in coordination with a drainage project along the street.
  - Assisted in connecting the PTO with HPW leadership to coordinate construction around school hours and summer break.



Expanding sidewalk access has been critical to improving walkability and accessibility across the district. Council Member Kamin has been vocal on the need for the city to take back responsibility for maintaining sidewalks, while recognizing the cost and pushing for further action on this initiative. In the meantime, Council Member Kamin has advocated for funding and invested district dollars to expand and improve sidewalk access, while also looking at holistic approaches.

- Central Northwest Sidewalk Package (Woodcrest Dr. to Nina Lee Ln) – \$100,000
  - Reconstruction of sidewalk and ramps on the east side of TC Jester from Nina Lee Lane to Woodcrest Dr
- Heights Sidewalk Package (near Harvard Elementary School) – \$100,000
  - Installation of ADA-compliant ramps and sidewalk sections near Harvard Elementary School
- 20<sup>th</sup> St Sidewalk Package (near senior living complexes)
  - Improvement of sidewalks and crossing ramps to specifically improve accessibility for seniors and people with disabilities in high-traffic intersections leading to grocery stores, pharmacies, and more.

Council Member Kamin spearheaded an initiative with Houston Public Works for an innovative Sidewalk Shaving Pilot which would allow crews to address hazardous sidewalks for significantly lowers costs. Council Member Kamin secured \$100,000 for the pilot, which is slated to tackle the Boulevard Oaks area first. Houston Public Works is currently working through the contracting process.

### Lane Mile Program + Drainage Integration

Recognizing the importance of pairing roadway work with drainage improvements, Council Member Kamin has prioritized integrated infrastructure upgrades that ensure coordinated efforts, to avoid ripping up new streets when drainage is later needed. She also advocated for drainage-first approaches to ensure long-term durability of roadway investments.

- S Rice Paving and Drainage Project (N Braeswood to Beechnut)
  - CM Kamin used Lane Mile funding to address critical street and drainage needs
  - Houston Public Works upgraded and repaired drainage components along the corridor
  - Project currently under construction
- Chimney Rock Paving & Drainage Project (N Braeswood to Beechnut)
  - CM Kamin used Lane Mile funding to improve street conditions and upsize inlets
  - Construction to begin after S Rice project is completed to minimize neighborhood disruption.
- Maplewood North Street Rehabilitation and Drainage Upgrades (Pontiac from N Braeswood to Kuldell) -- \$5.6 million
  - CM Kamin identified critical drainage needs for the Maplewood North neighborhood, securing a \$40,000 drainage study through the Southwest TIRZ that later informed decisions and investments through Houston Public Works and District C dollars.
  - Includes drainage improvements, street rehabilitation, and critical infrastructure for a neighborhood experiencing repetitive flooding.

### Community-Driven Improvements

Residents of District C are a partner in all of this, helping us identify locations of need and lifting up on-the-ground issues. Many of our construction projects were finalized with the help of neighborhood leaders, community organizations, and countless others to help inform the best outcomes for our residents.

- 20th Street Rehabilitation
  - Neighborhood leaders and residents worked with District C to escalate concerns of degrading pavement resulting in hazardous conditions.

- Project was taken on by METRO, resulting in new pavement to allow for more accessible crosswalks to align with new sidewalk ramps (mentioned above) and improve driver safety.
- Greenbriar from W Holcombe to Main Street Rehabilitation
  - District C escalated neighborhood concerns regarding the poor street condition on Greenbriar from W Holcombe to Main.
  - HPW will be addressing the concerns with a street rehabilitation project on Greenbriar from Holcombe to Main.
  - Project will begin following the completion of the Blue Bonnet Stormwater Drainage project.
- W Holcombe Street Rehabilitation
  - District C escalated concerns to HPW regarding the street condition on Holcombe going from West U into the City of Houston
  - METRO is currently conducting a street rehabilitation project on Holcombe from Fannin to Mercer that is anticipated to be completed in May 2025.
- Ongoing coordination with civic clubs and super neighborhoods to identify priority needs.

### Vision Zero + Walkable Places Policies

- Support for Vision Zero Houston’s goal to eliminate traffic fatalities by 2030.
- Advancement of Walkable Places and Transit-Oriented Development policies.
- Support for programs like Fee-in-Lieu of Sidewalks to improve infrastructure planning.

## Environment and Sustainability



Climate change is real and Council Member Kamin has never wavered in her advocacy for future generations on our planet. Our city has experienced multiple “500 year flood events” in just a few years, coinciding with Hurricane Harvey, one of the largest rain events in North American history. Houston consistently ranks among the worst areas for air quality and pollution. We are seeing more and more natural disasters and weather events each year, and Council Member Kamin has been sounding the alarm for resilient infrastructure, investments in sustainable programs and practices, and more. She has reiterated that we are on borrowed time and we need to do much more to protect Houstonians.

In 2020, Council Member Kamin voted to adopt the City of Houston's Climate Action Plan, which outlined evidence-based tactics to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and preventative measures to address the negative outcomes of climate change. That was followed by the Resilient Houston Plan. Since then, she has been unrelenting in her commitment to supporting greener initiatives, whether that's investments in her district, addressing items at Council, or working with partners to support green programming.

- Supported purchases for hundreds of hybrid vehicles for the City's fleet vehicles across departments, including Houston Public Works and Houston Police Department, as Houston sets out to be carbon-neutral by 2050.
- Funded 10 air quality monitors in public parks and greenspaces across District C, with publicly accessible real-time data to help families and residents prioritize their health
- Spoke up when non-hybrid vehicles were purchased (when hybrid options were feasible and available), ensuring we are saving city dollars, and adhering to the Climate Action Plan.
- Supported the "Zero Emissions Public Transit Strategy" greenhouse gas emission reduction program in partnership with METRO.
- Supported improved water conservation technology for City parks and public facilities.
- Uplifted CERA Week, one of the most premier energy conferences held each year, featuring the latest technologies, panels on energy security and markets, and critical energy transition.
- Approved first-ever Nature Preserve Ordinance to protect land within two parks, including Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve. Preserves help mitigate flooding and reduce urban heat and improve air quality.
- Funded the first electric vehicle charging stations on public property in over a decade.

As part of the City's Climate Action Plan, Houston made a commitment to expanding access to recycling within the city, specifically for commercial and multi-family properties. Council Member Kamin introduced a budget amendment to establish a mandatory multi-family recycling program by 2024 with a timeline for community input, passing Council in FY22. In preparation for this, the Solid Waste Department developed a free multi-family recycling pilot program, funded by grant dollars, in partnership with The Recycling Partnership and the Alliance to End Plastic Waste. Allowing apartments to participate in free recycling service for one year, this pilot collects valuable data to inform future ordinances. Multi-family recycling would save taxpayers millions by extending the life of Houston's landfills. Since launching the pilot, nearly 1,800 multi-family households across 7 properties have joined.



At National League of Cities, an organization comprised of city leaders across the nation, Council Member Kamin was elected the Vice-Chair for the Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Committee. In this role, she joined national panels to share Houston's position in the climate crisis, emphasizing the need for both long-term investments and short-term programs. She also testified before the EPA regarding the proposed repeal of the Endangerment Finding, which eliminated regulations on vehicle emissions and greenhouse gases – she raised concerns of the impact to Houstonians' health, the loss of national revenue in response to increasing disasters, and lives lost to air quality alone.

Alternative energy is the future, and Council Member Kamin has been vocal on the urgency: as the energy capital of the world, Houston must be the energy transition capital of the world. Council Member Kamin is doing her part, and in partnership with the Downtown Houston+ and Buffalo Bayou Partnership, she delivered the first public-facing EV charging stations on City property at Buffalo Bayou Park, funded with \$100,000 in District C dollars. These chargers give one of Houston's busiest parks modern, affordable EV infrastructure. With District C leading the city in EV use, this project jump-starts Houston's broader transition to clean transportation after more than a decade without new city-installed public chargers.



Council Member Kamin has been working to improve resiliency and support eco-friendly programs at the city.

- Championed the first Green Stormwater Tax Abatement Program and new language for city manuals to include drainage alternatives that incorporate green stormwater infrastructure as options in development.
- Planted thousands of trees throughout the district in partnership with sponsors and outside organizations.
- Sponsored annual rain barrel sales for district residents, subsidizing the cost for residents (only \$10 when they would usually residents cost over \$100), helping Houstonians conserve and re-use water for lawn care, save on water bills, and reduce the strain on local stormwater systems. Through this program, Council Member Kamin sponsored over 750 rain barrels for residents.
- Hosted annual E-Recycling events with the Solid Waste Department, offering accessible opportunities to divert tons (literally) of electronics from the landfills and into recycled material.
- Personally delivered trash and recycling bins to residents with broken/missing bins in the face of departmental backlogs for bin replacements that was taking months, ensuring every bit of recyclable materials can be diverted from landfills.
- Supported Council grant application for \$400,000 composting pilot through the U.S. Department of Agriculture, expanding the City's composting services.
- Spoke with the Citizens' Environmental Coalition at their 2025 Environmental Summit, sharing Houston's progress on climate action and the urgent need to protect our city from climate change.

- Pushed for new regulations and standards for shade structures at parks and playgrounds, and funded many throughout the district.
- Advocated for innovative tools and strategies to address urban heat island effect, air quality, and more.

As Houston continues to grow in population, and development is at an all-time high, Council Member Kamin worked with several partners to promote sustainable practices. Council Member Kamin created Houston’s first-ever tax abatement program to incentivize green stormwater infrastructure—features like green roofs, rain gardens, and permeable pavement that improve drainage, cool streets, clean the air, and boost quality of life. The revamped program has now approved its first incentives, launching Houston into the top tier of Texas cities leading on climate-ready design. With up to 10 years of tax relief available for qualifying projects, Houston is officially opening the door for developers to build smarter, greener, and stronger than ever.

To keep the momentum going, Council Member Kamin partnered with local engineers and Rice University to fund breakthrough research on green-roof drainage, which has now officially been integrated into Houston’s Infrastructure Design Manual (a lengthy document that establishes basic criteria for engineers to design infrastructure within the city). This means that green stormwater design can be utilized for drainage requirements, bringing a multi-faceted benefit for residents and more tools in the toolbox for developers.

## Working Families and Labor



Without organized labor, many of the workplace standards today would not be in place – the 40-hour work week, minimum wage, paid time off, workplace safety regulations, employer-sponsored health insurance, and so much more. From paid parental leave, to standing with workers on the picket line, Council Member Kamin has been a champion for organized labor here in Houston.

### Labor Committee – Chair, 2024-2026

As the chair of the Labor Committee, Council Member Kamin has remained unwavering in her commitment to uplifting and protecting our working-class Houstonians.

- Secured health care coverage for contracted security employees when city contractor was out of compliance.
- Hosted Texas Gulf Coast AFL-CIO to detail their expansive apprenticeship programs that are bringing new jobs to Houston.
- Worked with SEIU Texas to demonstrate critical benefit gaps and disparities, particularly among women and minorities in the workplace.

- Gave teachers and parents a voice when they have been shut out of the process throughout the state takeover of HISD, giving them a platform to share about the conditions both teachers and students endure daily, and provide data on the impact of the takeover.
- Lifted up Derecho and Hurricane Beryl Disaster Relief Program, a partnership between NEW Houston and the Gulf Coast AFL-CIO.
- Spotlit the SEIU Texas local “wins,” including wage increases, vacation time, and protected health benefits.
- City of Houston HR presentations to ensure city employees had access to critical benefits information.
- Provided opportunities for the public to learn about the city’s agreements and contracts, including the most recent City of Houston Municipal Employees HOPE AFSCME 123 union and the Houston Police Officers Union contracts.
- Hosted building trades to share about their apprenticeship programs, specifically including state-of-the-art technology funded in part by ARPA funding, to support comprehensive training for Houstonians entering the workforce.

### Championing Working Families

As the first Council Member to be pregnant and give birth while in-office, Council Member Kamin gained unique insight into the everyday challenges many new parents face. In working with the City’s HOPE AFSCME Local 123 union leadership and members, Council Member Kamin introduced and passed the city’s first comprehensive paid parental leave policy, securing 12 weeks of paid parental leave for new parents, as well as 160 hours for prenatal wellness appointments and 40 hours of infant wellness leave for the child’s first-year health appointments. This critical policy ensured City employees didn’t have to choose between work and the health of themselves, or their baby. Council Member Kamin was honored by the Texas Gulf Coast AFL-CIO with the “Working Families Award” in recognition of this monumental policy change.



Supporting our city employees didn’t stop there – Council Member Kamin identified another need, this time with our 911 call takers. An often thankless and taxing job, these call takers had no designated space to decompress or take mental health breaks when needed; the space originally designated as a “Quiet Room” at the Houston Emergency Center was instead being used for storage. Council Member Kamin immediately allocated \$8,000 and got to work to create these desperately needed spaces. Union members got to design the rooms themselves, including furniture (couches, tables, bookshelves), artwork, wellness items such as stress balls, and more.

Council Member Kamin’s advocacy for working families never faltered, whether at Council or behind-the-scenes. Since taking office, Council Member Kamin has prioritized strengthening Houston’s workforce, supporting working families, advancing labor protections, and ensuring employees across the city are treated with dignity.

- Worked to pass multiple pay raises for all city employees supporting those on the frontlines of our city. Expanded the city’s pay increases to include airport workers and contracted janitorial and security personnel staff, including those employed through Houston First.
- Supported HOPE 123’s new contract, securing critical protections for our hard-working city employees, including mandatory rest periods for those working long hours and pay increases that will make the biggest difference for some of the lowest paid.
- Funded a 311 call taker “Quiet Room,” creating a calm decompression space for city employees on the frontlines every day.
- Advocated for better conditions for Airport employees, including dress code changes to allow for jackets during cold temperatures, improved breakroom conditions, and more.

### Strengthening Labor Partnerships

Our unions are a voice for working families and make our city stronger. Council Member Kamin worked with SEIU Texas to help advocate for better working conditions and protections for custodial staff throughout her time on Council.

She stood with UNITE HERE Local 23 at the picket line during the first hotel workers’ strike in Texas history, supporting the need for better pay and working conditions while working to bring critical partners to the table. We are thrilled to say they secured a historic pay raise above \$20!



Council Member Kamin has remained committed to strengthening our labor partnerships. During disasters, we often rely on our unions to help get Houston back on its feet. As Houston grows and develops, labor is there ensuring workplace safety standards and helping build a city we can all be proud of.

- Brought outside contractors into compliance to ensure security workers at City Hall had healthcare coverage.
- Fought for safety measures and protections for workers during the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- Advocated alongside our teacher’s unions and parents throughout the state takeover of HISD.

- Lifted up union apprenticeship programs through public education programs and initiatives.
- Celebrated the first evening public session at City Hall to increase accessibility for working residents with a proclamation alongside over 40 union members from Houston Locals to honor the work they've done for nearly two centuries.
- Partnered with unions for district initiatives including rain barrel distribution & E-Recycling Drive.
- Participated in AFL-CIO Working Families events and Worker's Memorial Day.

## Faith and Community Partnerships



Our district is home to a myriad of faith communities, and many have worked with our office in countless ways. Through strong partnerships with faith communities and local organizations, Council Member Kamin has expanded access to resources, supported families, and strengthened community ties. From hosting annual e-recycling events with one of our local churches to working with a synagogue and other partners to address dangerous intersections, to funding additional security needs for vulnerable locations, Council Member Kamin is grateful for the lasting partnerships and friendships that have made our city a more welcoming place for all.

She has led meaningful partnerships, security initiatives, and provided financial support for many of our faith and interfaith institutions, including alongside Interfaith Ministries of Greater Houston and the Rothko Chapel.

Representing the heart of Houston's Jewish Community, Council Member Kamin ensured all faith institutions and schools had the support they needed for security and safety. From funding additional security needs to ensuring building permits moved swiftly, and more, she has stood firmly and vocally against the rising tide of hate and anti-Semitism.

After years of coordination, advocacy, and collaboration, the Ismaili Center opened its doors in the heart of District C. A once-in-a-generation partnership, the Ismaili Center is the first of its kind in the nation (and only the seventh center worldwide), featuring breathtaking architecture and flourishing greenspace it is a welcoming space for all. Council Member Kamin has also partnered with the Ismaili Center to confirm the center as a disaster resource center/distribution hub in the case of weather disaster.

During disasters, Council Member Kamin partnered with our faith communities to help those in need.

- Stood-up temporary cooling rooms in senior living facilities managed by interfaith partners, deploying generators and portable A/C units to create cool spaces for residents.
- Supported the COVID-19 vaccine clinic hosted by Rose of Sharon MBC in Freedmen’s Town.
- Provided tarps and supplies for senior housing in Freedmen’s Town with our faith leaders to stop a leaking roof during a storm.
- Worked with CenterPoint to urge power restoration for the Jewish Community Center, a major resource in the community serving residents in need during recovery.
- Checked in on senior living centers and faith communities to ensure power was on and any unmet needs escalated.
- Responded directly to urgent constituent needs, including A/C outages at senior housing facilities.
- Coordinated emergency supply distribution for residents without heat or power.

Macedonia Baptist Church, a longstanding institution in Freedmen’s Town, experienced an unexpected and critical roof collapse in 2025. Built nearly a century ago in 1928, this church is recognized by the Texas Historical Commission. Council Member Kamin immediately mobilized her office: staff dropped off tarps and other supplies assist with immediate needs, and the Council Member connected the church leadership with labor partners, including roofers and the Gulf-Coast AFL-CIO leaders, to help determine the extent of the damage/removal process. In the aftermath, Council Member Kamin helped secure significant donations for the church to fund the reconstruction costs.

Back-to-school is an exciting time for our students; it can also be a difficult time financially for some district families. Every year, Council Member Kamin distributed thousands of backpacks full of school supplies with the help of many of our local congregations and communities:

- Freedmen’s Town Conservancy and St. James
- Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church
- Community of Faith Church
- Rose of Sharon Church
- Bibleway Church
- Mt. Horeb Church
- Brown Chapel AME Church
- Antioch Missionary Baptist Church
- The Houston Public Library system at the Love Community Center
- and more!



Council Member Kamin has also partnered with multiple faith institutions to distribute free zoo tickets in partnership with the Houston Zoo. Damascus Missionary Baptist Church, located in the heart of District C, organizing an annual outing for children in their congregation through this partnership!

As some seek to whitewash our nation's history, and silence the voices of marginalized communities, Council Member Kamin has stood with our faith leaders to commemorate and recognize those who came before us, fighting for equality and building communities, standing unified in the face of adversity.

- Advocated for honorary sign markers, commemorating the lives and legacies of several faith leaders:
  - Dr. F. L. Chaney, Sr., a former educator and trail-blazing pastor at Damascus Missionary Baptist Church. Dr. Chaney served the community for over five decades, appointing the first female minister in the church's history, creating youth Scout troops and basketball teams, organizing food and clothing pantries, and so much more.
  - Dr. S. J. Gilbert, Sr., a titan in the community, served the Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church community for 36 years. He created the Houston Metropolitan Baptist Ministers Conference, bringing together pastoral leadership from across the region to connect and grow. His legacy lives on in the spirit of hundreds of pastors, congregants, and community members.
- Commemorated major anniversaries and milestones across faith institutions, including:
  - The 150<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary of Community of Faith Church
  - The 160<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary of Antioch Downtown Missionary Baptist Church
  - The 80<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary of Mt. Horeb Missionary Baptist Church
  - The 102<sup>nd</sup> Church Anniversary of Antioch Missionary Baptist Church (Acres Homes)
  - The Centennial Anniversary of Messiah Houston Church
  - The 126<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary of Mt. Sinai Baptist Church
  - The 60<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary of Bibleway Missionary Baptist Church
  - The 44<sup>th</sup> Pastor Anniversary of Bishop James Dixon II, Community of Faith Church
  - The 41<sup>st</sup> Pastoral Anniversary of Pastor Elmo Johnson, Rose of Sharon MBC
  - The 61<sup>st</sup> Pastoral Anniversary of Reverend Sam Smith, Mt. Horeb MBC

In partnership with Daikin, Council Member Kamin worked with St. John’s Downtown and Bread of Life to distribute free air purifiers to residents, especially seniors, and those who often may not have access to these opportunities if not for their faith community. As Houston’s air quality continues to rank among the worst nationally, we are deeply grateful to our partners for making sure clean air is not a privilege, but an option for everyone.



Each holiday season we spread joy to those most in need throughout our district. Each Thanksgiving, Council Member Kamin partners with Sysco and H-E-B to donate turkeys and hams for Thanksgiving meal distributions at Mt. Horeb Missionary Baptist Church and to families at the Gregory School in Freedmen’s Town in partnership with Antioch Downtown.

Council Member Kamin also hosted a Thanksgiving Storytime event in Freedmen’s Town to get families connect to the new BookLINK library vending machine, improving access to children’s literature. Each year, Council Member Kamin and her team also volunteer at the Rose of Sharon toy drive, giving out zoo tickets and helping spread joy.

## Fiscal Responsibility and Affordability

Affordability is a top issue for many Houstonians: grocery costs, gas prices, housing rates are all reaching unprecedented levels. Council Member Kamin has been vocal on addressing affordability – District C has some of the highest eviction rates in the city and Council Member Kamin has taken actions, both within District C and citywide, to help residents save. Every dollar counts!

Each year, Council must pass the annual City Budget, funding all city departments and services, introducing amendments to identify funding for critical needs, and ensuring Houstonians’ dollars are wisely spent. Through each budget cycle, Council Member Kamin stays focused on the bottom line. The Council Member has voted to prevent tax increases every year she has served.

Passing a balanced budget is critical, not only for the City’s financial stability, but for everyday city services. In FY25, the Council Member sounded the alarm on the City entering the fiscal year with a lower projected fund balance and reserve funding at risk of depletion in coming years. And in FY26, while recognizing that no budget is ever perfect, Council Member Kamin made the difficult decision (for the first time in her tenure on City Council) to

vote no to the FY26 budget due to the City’s failure to account and budget for disaster response, which is necessary to protect our long-term financial future. She continues to shine a light on fiscally irresponsible spending while pushing for improved service delivery.



Disasters don’t wait. No-notice storms are becoming more and more frequent. Following the severe storm season in 2024, Council Member Kamin introduced a budget amendment, which is now included in the city’s Financial Policies, regarding the “Budget Stabilization Fund,” aka “Rainy Day Fund,” increasing the minimum amount of the fund to \$25 million (an increase of \$5 million) and requiring the City to replenish its disaster funding within 1 fiscal year following the storm (as opposed to 2 years). Today, FEMA reimbursements are unfortunately insufficient and inconsistent, and Council Member Kamin has not stopped sounding the alarm on the need for the city to be more prepared for disaster during our budgeting process.

Council Member Kamin introduced a budget amendment in 2022 to partner with the Rice University Kinder Institute and fund a tax disparity study, providing critical information on if City of Houston taxpayers subsidize services provided by Harris County outside of the city limits. This initiative helped ensure transparency around where our county dollars are being spent. <https://kinder.rice.edu/research/property-tax-equity-harris-county>

The savings didn’t stop there:

- Approved an ordinance that increases the property tax exemption from \$160,000 to \$260,000 for city seniors and people with disabilities
- No tax rate increases (the Council Member has voted to prevent tax increases every year she has served).
- Passed a 100% tax credit for critical childcare facilities, bringing relief thanks to a state constitutional amendment passed by Texas voters.
- Voted against \$30 million for demolitions of blighted buildings when the allocated funds were taken from stormwater mitigation funds, citing legal concerns and past court rulings involving flood mitigation funds.
- Voiced concerns on litigation regarding drainage spending in the City of Houston, elevating the lack of public input/review of the settlement agreement prior to Council vote.
- Voted against utility rate hikes, helping homeowners save hundreds of dollars and escalating the need for better utility infrastructure in preparation for disaster.
- Addressed period poverty by securing a pilot program that provides free period products in all City health facilities.

- Approved the creation of the Houston Food Insecurity Board, helping assist those experiencing food insecurity or hunger to get better access to resources.

## Protecting Our Rights

### Supporting our LGBTQIA+ Community

Council Member Kamin remains a steadfast ally within the LGBTQIA+ community, emphasizing Houston’s spirit of inclusivity, diversity, and love.

Since early on in her first term, Council Member Kamin has partnered with the Greater Houston LGBTQ+ Chamber of Commerce and the Mayor’s Office of Special Events to host Families with Pride, a family-friendly celebration for LGBTQ+ families, allies, and neighbors. Originally hosted during Pride in June, and now held in October for LGBTQ+ History Month, this festival has offered a safe and exciting space where families and kids can enjoy games, water features, magicians, and so much more for over 4 years.



Council Member Kamin worked firsthand with countless organizations, both in District C and citywide, advancing and uplifting our LGBTQIA+ community:

- Helped secure \$15,000 grant for Montrose Center.
- Supported implementation of city certifications for LGBTQIA+ minority businesses in the Office of Business Opportunity with the “LGBT Business Enterprises” program by the National LGBT Chamber of Commerce.
- Partnering with organizations like Montrose Center and Pride Pantry for pandemic relief efforts.
- Funded public art, including a mini-mural commemorating Monica Roberts, a pioneering transgender activist and journalist from Houston
- Joined Tony’s Place for their “Back to School with Pride” event at the Montrose Center, giving out backpacks and free gun safes with resources for families on how to safely secure their firearm.
- Helped launch the Greater Houston LGBTQ+ Chamber of Commerce and IKE Smart Cities’ showcase of the “Show Your Pride” project, a photo campaign encouraging LGBTQIA+ individuals and allies to express themselves, across the city. We hosted the photoshoot at City Hall in 2024, empowering City Council and the Mayor to show their pride!



- Pushed back against discrimination of LGBTQIA+ families at the state legislature.
- Joined Equality Texas for their “Effective Advocacy” workshop, empowering LGBTQIA+ community members and allies to advocate and share their voice at every level of government.
- Ensured diverse representation on boards and commissions, securing appointments that reflect the diversity of our city.
- Facilitated meetings between local law enforcement and members of the LGBTQIA+ community

During her second term, Governor Abbott directed the removal of “non-standard” street markings, targeting rainbow crosswalks and similar symbolism across Texas. District C’s own rainbow crosswalk at Westheimer and Taft (which Council Member Kamin helped secure the repainting of after road reconstruction), was the target of this removal order. Council Member Kamin never wavered when supporting our LGBTQIA+ community, holding a press conference with countless elected officials, neighborhood leaders, and community organizations to stand up to Abbott’s authoritarian-style actions that diminish local control.

She’s also working with Pride Houston 365 and neighborhood leaders to revitalize the Westheimer Banner District. Council Member has requested \$10,000 of Council District Service Funds to support the fabrication and installation of the banners, and the application for the banners is currently under review by Houston Public Works and the City Administration.

Council Member Kamin has also brought several LGBTQIA+ organizations to City Council to uplift their efforts and spotlight the critical work being done every day in District C:

- Declare Pride Month in the City of Houston each year:
  - Houston LGBTQ+ Political Caucus
  - Pride Houston 365
  - Greater Houston LGBTQ+ Chamber of Commerce
  - The Montrose Center
  - Pride Pantry
- Declared Transgender Visibility Day with Equality Texas and worked with the organization to combat discriminatory legislation.
- Commemorated Tony’s Place for the critical work they do for LGBTQIA+ youth.
- Honored the Pride 365 2025 Grand Marshals (Council Member Kamin was honored to be named the Pride 365 Ally Grand Marshal in 2021).

## Criminal Justice and Racial Equity

In 2020, the world witnessed the senseless murder of Houston's son, George Floyd. This movement sparked a global call in the pursuit of justice. Council Member Kamin stood in support of the Black Lives Matter movement, adding her voice to countless residents and leaders emphasizing the need for reform. As Chair of the Public Safety Committee, she pushed for creation of a Police Reform Task Force, which later led to the development of the Office of Police Reform and Accountability, a resource still used today. Council Member Kamin also supported policy changes, including body camera footage release protocols.

The fight for equity and justice requires attention to detail. Early in her first term, a seemingly routine contract came before council for tire retreading for city vehicles. A vendor was slated to receive the contract after putting forward an extremely low bid (\$750,000 lower than the next lowest) because the bidder, Texas Department of Criminal Justice, planned to utilize unpaid labor from incarcerated individuals. Working with Council Member Evans-Shabazz, Council Member Kamin referred the contract back to the Administration, with a new bidder selected later on. This also led to Council adopting policy that prohibits them from utilizing contractors who use unpaid prison labor for city contracts.

Council Member Kamin has been a steadfast supporter in the fight against environmental injustices, where black and brown communities are disproportionately impacted by pollution, illegal dumping, and more.



- Worked with Descendants of Olivewood to honor the centuries-old cemetery in the heart of District C, long neglected and subject to dangerous erosion.
  - Hosted volunteer clean-ups, including multiple in the aftermath of the Derecho and Hurricane Beryl, helping remove downed limbs and trees.
  - Submitted letters of support for grant funding and historical recognition.
  - Voiced concerns to TxDOT of erosion and other impacts the Inner Katy I-10 project would cause to Olivewood Cemetery.
  - Commemorated the cemetery's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, as Houston's first incorporated African American cemetery founded in 1875.
- Supported over \$5 million for relocation of residents from Fifth Ward and Kashmere Gardens located within the cancer cluster.
- Voted to approve \$20 million grant for solar farms in Kashmere Gardens and Fifth Ward, providing neighbors with another way to power their homes during extreme weather events and reducing emissions from traditional power sources, minimizing the area's carbon footprint.

- Supported investments and the initial lease agreement for the Sunnyside Solar Farm, revitalizing a former landfill and bringing renewable energy, jobs, and community resources into Sunnyside.

Council Member Kamin worked with our libraries to remove artwork that glorified the confederacy, and instead, providing historical contexts and lessons for generations to come about the evils of slavery and the Civil War. She also worked closely with legal experts, including South Texas College of Law, Buffalo Soldiers Museum, Memorial Park Conservancy, NAACP, and many other organizations to support the efforts of the descendants of the members of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion of the 24<sup>th</sup> Infantry, to seek the clemency of all soldiers involved in the “riot.” In 2023, in the largest effort of its kind in our nation’s history, the U.S. military granted full clemency and honorable discharges.

Council Member Kamin remains committed to lifting up our diversity, as Houston remains one of the most ethnically and culturally diverse cities in the country. District C has long been home to the historic LULAC Council 60 Clubhouse, a special part of local Hispanic heritage and Civil Rights history. Council Member Kamin was proud to support its revitalization, through letters of support and \$10,000 in funds for security needs of the new facility during renovation. This commitment has spread throughout District C, from commemorating the 24<sup>th</sup> Infantry at Memorial Park’s Memorial Groves exhibit, to her support of the Freedmen’s Town’s Heritage District designation (a first in the city).



### Supporting Our Immigrant Community

Council Member Kamin has never backed down when it comes to defending our immigrant communities. Nearly one in four Houstonians is foreign-born. Immediately prior to her time on Council, she was one of the only attorneys allowed into local detention centers during the first child separation crisis – since then, her experience has guided her advocacy, fighting for those who far too often cannot speak up.



While in office, Council Member Kamin had worked with local law enforcement early on in President Trump's second term to ensure they were not sharing certain types of sensitive data that could be used by ICE inappropriately. She has also raised concerns regarding the impact this is having on domestic violence survivors and other victims of crimes who are forced back into the shadows, hesitant to come forward and contact law enforcement.

She has been outspoken in supporting *all* Houstonians:

- Spoke up alongside State Representative Christina Morales and LULAC, calling on citizens to help protect and support neighbors who may not be able to safely speak out for themselves.
- Connected faith leaders with local legal resources to help members of their congregation when family had been unrightfully detained.
- Proposing a clarifying and corrective ordinance to ensure the rights of *all* Houstonians are protected in accordance with the Constitution of the United States.

Council Member Kamin joined Council Member Alejandra Salinas and Council Member Ed Pollard to issue a proposal under Proposition A to clarify HPD policy when interacting with ICE. Originally, the proposal sought to clarify civil administrative warrants versus criminal warrants and give HPD discretion of when to call ICE, as well as ensuring officers cannot detain people after the lawful purpose of a traffic stop concludes, and to require a semiannual report be compiled by HPD on ICE interactions and provided to Council.

Following a lawfulness review by the City Attorney, which blocked the provision allowing officers discretion but deemed the rest of the ordinance lawful and within the bounds of SB 4, Council passed the ordinance. Later, Governor Greg Abbott threatened to defund local law enforcement funding unless the Council repealed the ordinance. Council Member Kamin was outspoken in her opposition to this, citing concerns of violations of Constitutional protections, a lack of authority by the Governor to attack local control, the waste of already-strained city public safety resources, and the impact on our immigrant community and families.

# Supporting Neighborhoods



Our neighborhoods are at the heart of everything we do. District C is proud to be home to the most civic clubs in the city (well over 50!), most super neighborhoods, highest voter turnout, and hundreds of thousands of neighbors, community leaders, and organizations—not to mention the best restaurants in town!

We cannot thank our neighborhood organizations enough for their hard work and partnership. Our District has a lot to be proud of, including the fact that we have the most 311 reports, and the most engaged residents -- and that's how it should be.

That's why we work hard every day to support our neighborhoods. Here's just a few examples:

- Supported resident-driven, Special Minimum Lot Size and Building Line applications.
- Approved an enabling ordinance to allow property owners in pilot neighborhoods to explore potential Conservation District designation.
- Approval of city's first Alcohol-Free Zone for a child care center in the Heights.
- Spearheaded, with other council members, improvements to Noise Ordinance to help neighborhoods plagued by bad-actor bars and noise.
- Regulating BYOB establishments and strengthening the noise ordinance to combat nuisances for our residents.
- Approved residential development changes to incentivize second dwelling units, multi-use residential, courtyard style, and narrow lots.
- Passed an enabling ordinance for future establishment of a citywide commercial truck route plan.
- Supported water bill ordinance reforms to help residents resolve high water bill issues.
- Strengthened the Residential Buffering Ordinance, regulating lighting, garage screening, and building line distances.

It has remained a privilege to serve our residents, not only in troubleshooting day-to-day city services, but working together to invest in our neighborhoods' futures, improve the district's quality of life, and embark on countless projects to ensure future generations of District C residents have a safe and welcoming place to live, work, and grow.

## Braeswood/Greater Meyerland Area

- Secured millions in flood mitigation and prevention projects.
- Celebrated the re-opening of the Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center in the heart of Meyerland, a community space that has partnered in times of disaster, to supporting children with disabilities, to hosting meals-on-wheels programs, and so much more.
  - Secured a first-of-its-kind contract with the JCC and the City's Office of Emergency Management to ensure efficient deployment of resources and tools to the space as a disaster resource center.
  - Coordinated with the JCC and several city departments ahead of the 2024 Maccabi Games, an annual Olympic-style sports competition event hosted around the globe, to lift up security efforts and ensure the safety of all participants.
  - Supported the JCC's "The Woods Project" after school programming through \$18,500 of district service dollars.
- Sponsored mini mural, designed by the Marilyn Estates neighborhood, celebrating our local wildlife and natural bayou ecosystem along S Braeswood.
- Collaborated with the Mayor of Bellaire, officials at the state and federal level, HPW, and countless organizations to secure the critical Cypress Ditch Flood Mitigation Project, emphasizing the need for efforts across all levels of government to bring critical flood relief to our neighborhoods.
- Collaborated with Congresswoman Lizzie Fletcher and Commissioner Rodney Ellis to secure the \$19 million Meyergrove Detention Basin, holding 72 million gallons of stormwater and prevent flooding of nearby neighborhoods in response to Hurricane Harvey.
- Advocated for FEMA home elevation funding for District C neighborhoods, including Meyerland, in the wake of Hurricane Harvey (funding over 60 homes in the district, the most of any city district).
- Fought against negligent property managers at dangerous apartment complexes, working with city departments to file litigation and keep neighborhoods informed of ongoing developments.
  - Advocated for accountability following critical apartment fire, displacing over 20 families – funded toys for the children and partnered with HFD to bring parents toys to give to their kids for the holidays, allowing them to be the heroes we know they are.
  - Hosted a blanket distribution for residents without heat or hot water at the complex days before freezing temperatures and rain arrived to Houston.
  - Funded \$10,000 of district dollars to support Houston Health Department overtime needs for additional inspections, with this property in mind.
- Funded \$5,000 beautification project at S Braeswood and Hillcroft, including vegetation and irrigation system installation along the esplanade.
- Broke ground on the Dr. Shannon Walker Neighborhood Library on Chimney Rock, which officially opened in 2024!
- Provided funding for the summer enrichment program at Godwin Community Center.
- Funded HPD Southwest Division overtime since 2022 to address hot-spot areas and support neighborhood safety.
- Celebrated the opening of Family Place Library at the McGovern-Stella Link Public Library, supporting a national model aimed at transforming libraries into vital places for early childhood development and family engagement.

- Funded tennis court resurfacing, including the addition of pickleball lines, for several parks across the district, including Karl Young Park.
- Sponsored DON Matching Grants for Braeswood Super Neighborhood to fund beautification improvements along the Stella Link corridor.
- Provided constituent service support, including water leak repairs, park fencing and improvements, and escalated solid waste pickups.
- Advanced capital improvement project to replace pedestrian bridges over Harris County Flood Control District channels in Braeswood.

#### *Completed Construction Projects*

- Bayou Bridge between Glenfield Court and Braewick Sidewalks - \$11,300
  - Fund: HPW CDSF
- Meyerland Section 8 West Sidewalks - \$35,000
  - Fund: HPW CDSF
- S Braeswood from S Rice to 610 road resurfacing
  - Fund: Lane Mile Selection Program
- Beechnut (from 610 to Newcastle) Stormwater Drainage - \$1,451,223
  - Fund: SWAT
- B-Cycle location at Braeswood and Atwell - \$31,000
  - Fund: CDSF Operating
- Beechnut Panel Replacements completed in tandem with Beechnut SWAT from 610 to just past RR tracks (where Beechnut becomes N Braeswood) - \$150,000
  - Fund: HPW CDSF
- Braeswood East to 610 Panel Replacements - \$60,060
  - Fund: HPW CDSF
- Birdwood Rd from Hillcroft to Birdwood Ct Storm Sewer Improvements - \$451,821
  - Fund: SWAT
- S Braeswood from S Rice to Chimney Rock Road Improvements
  - Fund: Lane Mile Selection Program
- Atwell @ Queensloch Safe Crossing near the ERJCC - \$65,000
  - Fund: HPW CDSF

#### *In-Progress Construction Projects*

- S Rice from Beechnut to N Braeswood Street Rehabilitation and Drainage
  - Fund: Lane Mile Selection Program, Status: In-construction.
- Chimney Rock from Beechnut to N Braeswood Street Rehabilitation
  - Fund: Lane Mile Selection Program, Status: Construction to begin following completion of S Rice.
- Kingston Terrace Stormwater Drainage - \$847,137
  - Fund: SWAT, Status: Pending construction, anticipated start Summer 2026.

- Chimney Rock and Cheena Safe Crossing near Meyerland Middle School - \$25,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Funding finalized in Spring 2026, currently in design phase.
- Maplewood North Drainage Project along Pontiac and Side Streets - \$5.6 million
  - Funds: HPW Partnership, District C HPW CDSF, and Lane Mile Selection Program, Status: District C funding finalized in Spring 2026.
- Stella Link Corridor Safe Crossings near Mark Twain ES, Pershing MS, and McGovern Library at Aberdeen, Underwood, Blue Bonnet, and Bellefontaine - \$277,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Funding finalized in Spring 2026, currently in design phase.
- Braes Blvd and N Braeswood Blvd Safe Crossing Project near the Rabbi Karff Bridge - \$60,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Funding finalized in Spring 2026, currently in design phase.
- Sewanee/Poor Farm Ditch Pedestrian Bridge Project - \$2,955,442
  - Fund: HPW CIP, Status: Currently in design phase, HPW coordinating with HCFCD.
- Renwick Trail Feasibility Study (in partnership with Neighborhoods to Trails Southwest and Harris County Precinct 4) - \$10,000
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: ILA approved by City Council, In-Progress with HPW
- Friedman Park/Meyergrove Detention Basin Beautification and Amenities - \$10,000
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: In-Progress with the Houston Parks Department
- Neighborhood Mini Murals - \$9,000
  - Locations:
    - Hillcroft/S Braeswood reflecting nature (done in partnership with the Maplewood South North Civic Club).
    - N Braeswood/S Braeswood as a tribute to former Mayor Turner and his contributions to our city.
    - Kirby/N Braeswood as a tribute to Women who have served on Council, spotlighting important moments of women’s history in our local government.
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: Designs pending approval by Mayor’s Office of Arts.

### Central Northwest (Garden Oaks & Oak Forrest)

- Successfully fought for and secured the replacement of the playground at Mangum Manor Park following the playground’s unexpected removal, ensuring consistent communication from departments to the neighborhood and pushing for expedited timelines.
- Reduced the risk of structural flooding and improved street conveyance through the \$23 million Garden Oaks and Shepherd Park West CIP. We worked with residents to secure the addition of an area along Wakefield that was flooding!
- Funded new pool furniture for the Oak Forest Aquatic Center, improving amenities and access to our public pool facilities.

- Secured district dollars in support of Let's Play Houston, supporting American Legion Park's phase II playground improvements, and advocating for additional shade structures too.
- Hosted community meeting to provide residents information on development and permitting requirements, and consistently pushing back against developments that lack proper permits.
- Supported the Garden Oaks Civic Club through DON Matching Grant to fund new neighborhood signage through the area.
- Kept the need for a 34th St Quiet Zone on the City's radar as we go after grant dollars.
- Advocated for critical drainage improvements and tennis court needs at Graham Park, working with HPARD to secure a drainage study to inform future funding.
- Supported SPARK Park improvements at Stephens Elementary.
- Established partnership with ISKCON to serve as a neighborhood disaster hub during emergencies.
- Worked with Waltrip High School PTO and SPARK Park to fund tennis court improvements.
- Supported Garden Oaks Montessori for their annual Pancake Festivals and other school events, giving out free gun safes and locks, providing rain barrels for parent auctions, and more.
- Funded sidewalk improvements on Sue Barnett for students and families walking to Garden Oaks Montessori.
- Successfully advocated alongside Oak Forest neighbors to see a utility tower application along 43rd withdrawn.
- Worked with Oak Forest Deeds for Change to advocate at the state level to remove racially discriminatory language from deed restrictions.
- Funded new fences at American Legion Park to prevent children away from train tracks.
- Supported after school and summer programming at Candlelight Community Center, working with HPARD to repair the A/C and ensure safe spaces for our kids.
- Hosted firearm storage seminars at Waltrip High School PTO and Waltrip's annual Ram Rally, encouraging safe storage practices and giving out free gun safes.
- Funded tennis court resurfacing, including the addition of pickleball lines for parks across the district, including Graham Park.
- Secured funding for a safe crossing signal at W 43rd & Curtain to improve pedestrian safety between Frank Black Middle and Oak Forest Elementary Schools.
- Completed site visits and action with City Departments and Shepherd Park Civic Club to address an unpermitted development that has been brought to court several times, keeping pressure on City Departments to hold the property accountable.
- Installed air quality monitors at several public parks, including at TC Jester Park, to allow live-tracking of air quality for families visiting parks.

#### *Completed Construction Projects*

- TC Jester Sidewalks and Ramps Package from Nina Lee Lane to Woodcrest - \$100,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- Stevens Elementary Safe Crossing at Rosslyn and Lamonte - \$2,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF

### *In-Progress Construction Projects*

- Waltrip High School Safe Crossing at 1900 W 34<sup>th</sup> - \$70,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Design Complete, pending construction
- TC Jester Safe Crossings Package at Du Barry, Lamonte, and Saxon - \$102,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Funding finalized in Spring 2026, in design phase
- Ella Lee Forest Roadside Ditch Stormwater Drainage Project - \$1,925,000
  - Fund: District C SWAT, Status: In-Design and expected to begin construction in Summer 2026
- Milwee and Zoch Roadside Ditch Stormwater Drainage Project - \$445,500
  - Fund: District C SWAT, Status: Funding finalized Fall 2025, in design phase
- W 31<sup>st</sup> and Yale Stormwater Design Concept - \$270,000
  - Fund: District C SWAT, Status: Funding finalized Fall 2025, in design phase
- Mangum Manor Park Playground
  - Fund: Houston Parks Department, Status: Council approved funding, in progress with GSD.
- American Legion Park Playground
  - Fund: Houston Parks Board, Status: Phase II Playground, pending engagement.

### **Fourth Ward/Freedmen's Town**

- Hosted the first in the city HPW Community Canvass to share information on free lead and copper pipe testing for homeowners, improving access to health and safety programs.



- Halted the removal of historic bricks, including literally stopping in-progress construction when crews refused to stop after neighborhood leaders raised concerns; ensured safe preservation efforts as bricks were logged and transported to Public Works facility.
- Met with Gregory Lincoln Education Center school leaders on-site to discuss pedestrian safety needs, later working to restripe critical crosswalks connecting community to the school.
- Supported ongoing preservation efforts and the legacy at the African American History Research Center at the historic Gregory School, opened in 2009 to improve access to African American history and legacies in our city:
  - Funded design for a new fire suppression system at the library, utilizing technology for suppressing fires while protecting the historic materials housed at the library.
  - Funded a Houston Public Library “BookLINK,” book vending-machine to improve book access for youth in the neighborhood.
  - Funded \$40,000 for ADA accessible doors at the AAHRC.

- Tackling food deserts head on by partnering with Urban Harvest to enhance the Community Garden at the Gregory Lincoln Education Center.
- Held mask distribution at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic at the Gregory Lincoln Education Center, while also providing supplies to Freedmen’s Town Association for long-term distribution.
- Distributed 1k hot meals and water to families at Historic Oaks of Allen Parkway during winter storm grid failures.
- Coordinated with local faith leaders to assist seniors living at Crawford W. Kimble Senior Living, including providing generators and mobile AC units to stand up cooling centers in their lobbies when without power, and bringing tarps for roof damage.
- Helped the historic Macedonia Church following sudden roof collapse, connecting them with local union organizations to help with roofing estimates, and helped them apply for grant funding (that they later were awarded!) to repair the roof of the historical space.
- Funded the “Keith Wade” mini mural, paying tribute to a giant in the community who had long served Freedmen’s Town and the city as a whole.
- Sponsored annual Summer Youth Programs with the Freedmen’s Town Conservancy, including a STEM Robotics Program in honor of Keith Wade with Antioch Downtown, and “Reading with a Rapper” to support literacy programming.
- Volunteered throughout the community, including at the Yates Museum and coordinating Greater Houston Builders Association volunteer crews to preserve and renovate historic homes.
- Supported the Freedmen’s Town Farmers Market grant applications, and other efforts related to the location.
- Assisted in fundraising for Gregory Lincoln Education Center uniforms, while also donating school supplies.
- Worked with UNESCO to secure Heritage Designation for Fourth Ward/Freedmen’s Town.
- Worked with Mayor Turner to designate Freedmen’s Town as the City’s first “Cultural Heritage District,” providing the foundation for future funding and support.
- Funded air quality monitor at Wiley Park, investing in resources for public monitoring of air quality to better protect our youngest residents.
- Supported Wiley Park CIP, hosting site visits with the Parks Department and advocating for investments in overlooked areas.

#### *Completed Construction Projects*

- Ruthven and Genesee Crosswalk Improvements
  - Fund: HPW
- African American History Research Center ADA Buttons – \$44,000
  - Fund: District C CDSF
- Gregory School Row Houses Renovation - \$1,442,340
  - Fund: GSD
- Community Garden Improvements at Gregory Lincoln – \$10,000

### *In-Progress Construction Projects*

- Freedmen’s Town Andrews and Wilson DCR
  - Fund: HPW, Status: In design phase  
*Council Member Kamin and the District C office have offered significant support for the CIP project, including attending public meetings on the Andrews and Wilson Brick Preservation to fight for historic preservation efforts*
- Fire Suppression Design Study at AAHRC - \$16,000
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: In progress with the General Services Department
- Fourth Ward Street Reconstruction Project - \$19,000,000
  - Fund: Fourth Ward TIRZ, Status: In Construction
- Wiley Park CIP - \$50,000
  - Fund: HPW CIP, Status: In design phase  
*Council Member Kamin has brought this project up publicly at Council, voicing the need for improvements and bringing department leadership on-site to address issues.*

### **Greater Heights**

- Worked with Memorial Heights TIRZ, HPARD, and neighborhoods to complete the Little Thicket Park revitalization, a \$1.5 million project that brought improved equipment, trails, sidewalks, and critical connections to neighboring families.
- Helped secured first-of-it's kind in the city \$40 million grant for Shepherd-Durham drainage and revitalization reconstruction, a vital project to improvement the entire corridor (and fought to save the project when federal funding was at risk following mayor’s administration directive).
- Escalated chronic noise and safety concerns, supported HPD enforcement efforts, and attended noise permit revocation hearings for problem locations in Shady Acres.
- Hosted “Coffee with the Council Member” at Love Park in partnership with the Houston Parks Department and Houston Heights Association, bringing more accessibility to local government and sharing updates on critical improvements in the area.
- Provided grant funding for the planting of 200+ trees along the MKT Trail, improving shade cover and enhancing the corridor, through the DON Matching Grant Program with A Tale of Two Bridges.
- Funded new pool furniture for Love Park Aquatic Center, home to swim programs for hundreds of kids.
- Supported Council Member Alcorn’s composting pilot at the Historic Heights Fire Station.
- Hosted annual Electronics Recycling Drives at All Saints Church, helping residents keep literally tons of recyclable materials out of our landfills.
- Pushed for missing links to trails, including the MKT Connector, and safer crossings at the Columbia trail at White Oak Dr.
- Took action with city departments to address drainage and ponding hot-spots.
- Supported tennis court resurfacing, including the addition of pickleball lines, for several parks across the district, including Halbert Park.
- Funded the “Love Park Summer Enrichment Program” backpack giveaway just in time for back-to-school, hosted for children in need in partnership with the Houston Public Library.

- Visited the Field Elementary Open House to distribute gun safes and share resources on safe storage conversations with children and other parents.
- Supported summer enrichment programs at Love Community Center.
- Funded beautification murals at the Houston Junior Forum.
- Advocated for needed replacement to the basketball court flooring at Love Park, working with HPARD to ensure the neighborhood and local teams could use the facility.
- Funded the remediation of the Malala Yousafzai mini mural along TC Jester following its vandalism, supporting the beautification project and emphasizing the need for more tributes to women's rights.
- Allocated funding for localized beautification projects, including sponsoring the Sunset Heights Civic Club's proposed mini mural as a tribute to the neighborhood, located at Yale/W 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Funded SPARK Parks Helms Elementary, Field Elementary, and Harvard Elementary, working with school leadership and SPARK to deliver meaningful improvements.
- Fulfilled commitment to address and bring forward an improved crossing at 11th and Nicholson
- Partnering with parents and district TIRZ to bring safer crossings for students and parents at Wharton Elementary.
- Supported the completion of MKT Bridge repairs in 2022 and the long-await MKT spur connector to close the gap between trails and provide stormwater drainage. Lifted up constituent concerns following the destruction of the MKT bridge in 2025 after equipment damaged the structure from nearby construction.
- Advocated for improvements for missing sidewalks, including allocating over \$100,000 for sidewalk rehabilitation around Harvard Elementary School.
- Secured district dollars in support of Let's Play Houston, supporting Lawrence Park's phase I playground improvements in coordination with neighborhood leadership.
- Critical repairs and improvements to the Historic Heights Library.
- Hosted annual e-recycling events at a local church.
- Working with families to secure permits for Little League Parades, bike-to-school days, and more!

#### *Completed Construction Projects*

- 11<sup>th</sup> Street Safety Improvement Project - \$2,300,000
  - Fund: HPW
- Shady Acres Roadside Ditch Rehabilitation on W 22<sup>nd</sup> and W 24<sup>th</sup> between Durham and Bevis - \$2,047,022
  - Fund: District C SWAT
- W 19<sup>th</sup> St Improvements Contribution to the Memorial Heights TIRZ - \$25,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- 13<sup>th</sup> and Yale Safe Crossing - \$40,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- Heights Sidewalk and Ramp Package near Harvard Elementary School at 9<sup>th</sup> and Rutland, 9<sup>th</sup> and Arlington, 8<sup>th</sup> and Arlington, 10<sup>th</sup> and Arlington, 9<sup>th</sup> and Oxford - \$109,825
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- 20<sup>th</sup> Street (from Yale to Studewood) Rehabilitation
  - Fund: METRO

- Heights ADA Sidewalk and Sidewalk Ramp Improvements
  - Fund: HPW/MOPD Pedestrian Accessibility Review Program
- Nicholson Four-Way Stop Signs (8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup>) and Crosswalk Restriping (18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>)
  - Fund: HPW
- Funded the remediation of the Malala Yousafzai mini mural along TC Jester following its vandalism.

### *In-Progress Construction Projects*

- Turkey Gully Paving and Drainage Project - \$16,990,000
  - Fund: HPW CIP, Status: In-Design, construction anticipated to begin November 2026
- Shepherd and Durham Reconstruction Phase II - \$115,300,000
  - Fund: Memorial Heights TIRZ, Status: In construction, anticipated to be completed Fall 2028
- TC Jester and Bevis Safe Crossing Partnership Project with the City Park TIRZ - \$70,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Interlocal Agreement between COH and TIRZ in progress
- MKT Trail and Waverly Safe Crossing Partnership with the Memorial Heights TIRZ - \$25,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Pending construction through collaboration with TIRZ
- Heights High School Safe Crossing at 13<sup>th</sup> and Columbia - \$13,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Design complete, pending Notice to Proceed for construction
- Little Thicket Park Crossings Package at Ella and W 22<sup>nd</sup> and W 23<sup>rd</sup> - \$220,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Pending interlocal agreement between COH and TIRZ
- E 8<sup>th</sup> and Oxford Roadside Ditch Stormwater Drainage Project - \$950,000
  - Fund: District C SWAT, Status: In-Design, design expected to be completed November 2026
- Neighborhood Mini Mural at Yale/W 22<sup>nd</sup> in partnership with Sunset Heights Civic Club - \$3,000
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: Pending design approval by Mayor’s Office of Arts
- Lawrence Park Revitalization (Let’s Play Houston)
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Houston Parks Department, and Houston Parks Board, Status: In design phase with Houston Parks Board
- Funding for Houston Heights Association revitalization of Donovan Park- \$5,000
  - Council Member Kamin committed \$5,000 to support immediate needs but the Houston Parks Department declined to be the sponsoring department at this time (a required step in the process to move the project forward). The District C Office will need identify a sponsoring department to continue the effort.

### **Lazybrook/Timbergrove**

- Successfully expanded City Park TIRZ to increase size and expand scopes of critical flood mitigation projects.
- Partnered with civic clubs for large-scale community cleanups of Turkey Gully.
- Funded DON Matching Grant to support Lazybrook Civic Club’s esplanade improvement along TC Jester, including new trees and an irrigation system to keep the trees watered.
- Supported re-SPARK of Sinclair Elementary School’s SPARK Park, funding nearly \$6,000 of improvements to the playground – also funded the creation of a tile mosaic mural as a tribute to the neighborhood, with over 700 children contributing to the piece.
- Supported tennis court resurfacing, including the addition of pickleball lines, for several parks across the district, including at Jaycee Park.

- Connected neighborhoods to leadership in Houston Public Works to address and mitigate ongoing odor issues near lift stations at TC Jester and 11<sup>th</sup> St.
- Allocated funding for localized beautification projects, including a mini mural at Jaycee Park in partnership with the Timbergrove Manor Civic Club, to showcase native plants and wildlife in Houston.
- Funded shade structures at Sinclair Elementary SPARK Park, addressing rising temperatures and ensuring families have safe spaces to play and enjoy.

#### *Completed Construction Projects*

- W 18<sup>th</sup> St from Seamist to Ella Concrete Panel Replacements - \$26,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- Jaycee Park Tennis Court Resurfacing - \$11,551
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF
- TC Jester and White Oak Bayou Trail Connection/Safe Crossing - \$70,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- Esplanade Improvement Project -\$10,000
  - Fund: CDSF Operating, Lazybrook Civic Club
- Hurst St Street and Drainage Improvements Near Hurst and Palisades PK DR
  - Fund: HPW
- Super Neighborhood 14 Community Project - \$5,000,000
  - Fund: Effort funded by Harris County Precinct 4 in partnership with Council Member Kamin and City for street rehabilitation, sidewalk repairs, and ADA ramps throughout Lazybrook/Timbergrove

#### *In-Progress Construction Projects*

- Lorraine Cherry and Sinclair Elementary Safe Crossings Partnership Project with the Memorial Heights TIRZ at 11<sup>th</sup> and Shelterwood + Sinclair - \$76,771
  - Fund: HPW CDSF, Status: Pending construction anticipated in 2027
- Lorraine Cherry Nature Preserve/White Oak Bayou Connectivity Project on W 11<sup>th</sup> from Ella to Nashua - \$1,237,000
  - Fund: Memorial Heights TIRZ, Status: Pending construction
- Sinclair Elementary Safe Crossing Partnership Project with Harris County Precinct 4 at Ella and Grovewood - \$60,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: In construction
- Neighborhood Mini Mural at Jaycee Park - \$3,000
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: pending design approval by Mayor's Office of Arts
- Shade Structures at Sinclair Elementary SPARK Park - \$10,000
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: in progress with Houston Parks Department
- Seamist Drive from 11<sup>th</sup> to Kury Drainage and Mobility Improvements
  - Fund: City Park TIRZ, Status: In preliminary design

- Large Diameter Water Line Improvement Project on W 18<sup>th</sup> St between Mangum and Bevis (part of city-wide waterline package) - \$25,625,931
  - Fund: HPW CIP, Status: Pending construction start date, projected expected to begin shortly and complete by Fall 2027

## Neartown/Montrose

- Saved the historic River Oaks Theatre, working with community leaders and organizations, businesses, and others to secure the funding necessary to revitalize the theatre.
- Fought for the restoration of rainbow crosswalks at Westheimer and Taft, bringing together elected officials, community organizations, and LGBTQIA+ leaders to stand against Governor Abbott's directive and support our LGBTQIA+ community.
- Allocated funding for the revitalization of the Lower Westheimer/Montrose Banner District, as a tribute to the LGBTQIA+ history of the neighborhood and ensuring their visibility following the removal of rainbow crosswalks on Westheimer.
- Partnered with Downtown+ District and CenterPoint and funded \$100,000 for public charging stations at Buffalo Bayou Park, the first stations opened on public property in over a decade.
- Funded the remediation of the iconic "VOTE" mini mural on West Gray just across from the Multi-Service Center, the largest voting center in Harris County, as voters headed to the polls in 2026.
- Supported summer enrichment programs at Cherryhurst Community Center.
- Funded B-Cycle station at Westheimer and Dunlavy, improving eco-friendly transportation.
- Installed air quality monitors at public parks, including Ervan Chew and Avondale Promenade, to allow live-tracking of air quality for families.
- Funded the Monica Roberts mini mural, lifting up her legacy of advocacy and equality for the Trans community and supporting local LGBTQIA+ artists.
- Worked with Montrose Center and Pride Pantry to support community needs during the pandemic.
- Funded \$100,000 for the first public EV-charging stations installed on city land in over a decade, in a public city park at Buffalo Bayou Park, in partnership with Downtown District and CenterPoint.
- Hosted firearm storage seminars at Baker Montessori alongside their Principal for their PTO, Wharton Academy, and Carnegie Vanguard HS, encouraging safe storage practices and giving out free gun safes.
- Celebrating Neartown Little League.
- Funding tennis court resurfacing, including the addition of pickleball lines, for several parks across the district, including Cherryhurst Park and at the West Gray Multi-Service Center.
- Funded SPARK Park improvements for Baker Montessori and Arabic Immersion Magnet School, supporting accessibility to public park spaces and investing back in our community.
- Worked with business owners on Fairview to incorporate and fund street reconstruction from Montrose to Genesee.
- Funded improved sidewalks near the West Gray Multi Service Center to ensure accessibility to the facility for all who use it.
- Allocating \$25,000 for partnerships with the local TIRZ and the PTO at Wharton Elementary for safer intersections.

### Completed Construction Projects

- Vermont Street from McDuffie to Morse Stormwater Drainage Project - \$460,384
  - Fund: SWAT
- Colquitt Sidewalk - \$5,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- Avondale and Taft Sidewalks - \$25,200
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- 500 Block W Saulnier Sidewalks - \$73,500
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- Westheimer/Elgin/Bagby Intersection Modification - \$11,410
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- 72 Inch Water Line Along Kipling and Branard from Mt. Vernon to Richmond - \$36,695,200
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- Haddon St Local Drainage Project
  - Fund: HPW Local Drainage Program (LDP)
- Fairview from Montrose to Genesee Street Rehabilitation Project
  - Fund: HPW

### In-Progress Construction Projects

- North Montrose Safe Routes to School Contribution to the Montrose TIRZ - \$25,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: In-Design, construction anticipated to begin Summer 2026  
*This is part of a larger \$9.4 million project to improve connectivity and sidewalks to North Montrose's three schools, including Wharton Academy, Gregory Lincoln, and Carnegie Vanguard.*
- Woodhead and Portsmouth/Bonnie Brae and Dunlavy Stormwater Drainage Project - \$829,620
  - Fund: District C SWAT, Status: Funding finalized Fall 2025, currently in design phase
- Gray and Taft Area Improvements - \$8,000,000
  - Fund: HPW CIP, Status: In-Design, construction anticipated to begin Fall 2027
- Watermain Replacement in Mandell Place, Montrose, Westmoreland, and Courtland Place Subdivisions - \$11,239,461
  - Fund: HPW CIP, Status: currently In Construction, estimated completion Summer 2026
- Watermain Replacement in Midtown Area and Winlow Place, Dearborn Place, Montlew Place, and Lancaster Subdivisions - \$48,000,000
  - Fund: HPW CIP, Status: In Construction, estimated completion Fall 2026
- Roseland Area Paving and Drainage - \$9,000,000
  - Fund: HPW CIP, Status: Design Complete, Pending construction estimated to begin Spring 2026
- Taft Street Local Drainage Project
  - Fund: HPW LDP, Status: Currently in construction
- Montrose Blvd Improvement Project - \$17,900,000

- Fund: Montrose TIRZ, Status: Currently in construction  
*Council Member Kamin had secured an agreement with the City and TIRZ that Centerpoint would elevate utilities above tree line for Phase I section. This has not taken place.*
- Wharton SPARK Park Equipment Improvements - \$5,000
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: Pending approval from the Legal Department.
- Lower Westheimer Banner District (in partnership with Pride Houston and Neartown) - \$7,000
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: Pending approval from the Mayor's Administration

### University Place/Old Braeswood/Upper Kirby

- Worked with Civic organizations, Congregation Emanu EL, First Christian Church of Houston, Bike Houston, and Rice University to address dangerous intersection at Rice and Sunset, bringing everyone to the table to develop intersection modification and safety improvements, funded by our office.
- Hosted firearm storage seminars at Lovett Elementary School and at their Spring Festival, encouraging safe storage practices and giving out free gun safes.
- Voiced concerns regarding the delay of the \$6.5 million shovel-ready University Blvd CIP, an investment in critical infrastructure to better protect pedestrians and improve local drainage systems.
- Supported Rice University students and faculty, from funding research projects to help inform City infrastructure design standards, to hosting our annual Rain Barrel Sale at the campus for residents to visit.
- Funded critical repairs and building improvements, including ventilation systems for fire stations, including Station 3 on W. Alabama.
- Completed \$14 million West Alabama Paving & Drainage project to improve paving and drainage, and improve sidewalks, lighting, and more.
- Worked with residents to prevent unnecessary cell poles in neighborhoods.
- Escalated loud noise issues at bad-actor bars nearby senior living complexes, working with HPD to request additional patrols in the area.
- Sidewalk improvements around Old Braeswood Park

### Completed Construction Projects

- Westheimer from Wesleyan to Edloe Street Rehabilitation Project
  - Fund: Lane Mile Selection Program
- Timmons and Saint St. Street Rehabilitation Project
  - Fund: HPW
- Kipling and Joanel Street Rehabilitation Project
  - Fund: Lane Mile Selection Program
- Traffic Diverter at the intersection of Addison and Travis - \$15,096
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- Sunset and Rice Intersection Modification - \$28,098
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- Bissonnet from Mandell to Montrose Street Rehabilitation Project

- Fund: Lane Mile Selection Program
- Kelvin from Bissonnet to Quenby Street Rehabilitation Project - \$195,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- Bissonnet and Montrose Sidewalks - \$37,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF
- Holcombe Resurfacing Project
  - Fund: Metro

#### *In-Progress Construction Projects*

- Bissonnet and Academy Intersection Safety Improvements Partnership Project with the Upper Kirby TIRZ - \$50,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Funding finalized in Spring 2026, currently in design phase with TIRZ engineers.
- Newcastle from Westpark to Pin Oak Park Street Rehabilitation Project
  - Fund: Lane Mile Selection Program, Status: Submitted to HPW for evaluation and design phase.
- Roberts Elementary at Greenbriar and Swift Safe Crossing - \$60,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Pending Notice to Proceed for Construction
- Blue Bonnet Stormwater Drainage Project - \$739,240
  - Fund: District C SWAT, Status: In-Design, anticipated construction Summer 2026
- University Blvd Reconstruction - \$7,200,000
  - Fund: HPW CIP, Status: In-Design, anticipated construction Winter 2027
- Sidewalk Shaving Pilot in Boulevard Oaks - \$100,000
  - Fund: HPW/ Fund 4515, Status: HPW is working through the contracting process
- Neighborhood Mini Murals - \$3,000
  - Locations: Bissonnet/Mandell, in partnership with the Boulevard Oaks Civic Association, as a tribute to our local Houston musicians featuring over a dozen local musicians who left a lasting impact on Houston.
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: Pending design approval by Mayor's Office of the Arts
- Neighborhood Mini Mural - \$3,000
  - Location: River Oaks/Westheimer, near St. John's as a tribute to Houston's son, Wes Anderson, and his film Rushmore filmed at this alma matter.
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: Pending design approval by Mayor's Office of the Arts

#### **Washington Ave/Memorial Park**

- Supported Memorial Park: Houston's largest greenspace, a historical landmark, and a neighborhood staple for families and residents in the area.

- Supported the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, Memorial Park Conservancy, and city departments in historic investments that have been transformative to Memorial Park, a historic and expansive greenspace in the heart of District C (one of the largest urban park in the nation).
- Funded the installation of three security cameras in Memorial Park – HPD donated the cameras, with installation sponsored by Council Member Kamin, to aid in deterring and investigating car break-in's and other concerns.
- Celebrated the opening of the Memorial Park Kinder Land Bridge and Cyvia and Melvyn Wolff Prairies, exciting and award-winning additions to our district.
- Worked with HPD and Memorial Park Conservancy to address dangerous car meet-ups occurring in the park's parking lots, providing temporary barricades and regular HPD patrols until the park could install permanent fixtures.
- Supported community engagement efforts around Memorial Groves, a \$42 million investment in Memorial Park to commemorate and honor the legacy of Camp Logan in the heart of District C.
- Secured funding for a commemorative statue honoring the 24<sup>th</sup> Infantry in Memorial Groves, establishing a reflection point to remember their sacrifice and the historic clemency effort.
- Collaborated with HPARD and the Houston Pickleball Association to bring the first ever national Pickleball tournament to Memorial Park, and with it an influx of economic investments for our city.
- Funded new pool furniture for the Memorial Aquatic Center, improving amenities and access to our public pool facilities.
- Funding and efforts to support the improvements and maintenance of the Memorial Park Golf Course, one of the only public PGA courses, and home to the Astros Foundation's "Houston Open" on the PGA Tour – each year, we worked with residents to implement important parking protections for residential neighborhoods throughout major events.
- Funded new Polaris Ranger vehicle for Memorial Park, to aide HPD in patrolling the park by allowing access to trails and improving safety of visitors.
- Allocated funding for a local beautification project, specifically a mini mural on the utility box at the entrance of Memorial Park at Memorial Dr and Crestwood, as a tribute to the park's history, amenities, and community.
- Lifted up the significant contributions of Cyvia and Melvyn Wolff Landbridge, an expansive green space that protects the local wildlife and ecosystems while also maintaining connectivity to the various amenities the park hosts, and the new running center.
- Led clean-up along of Washington Ave to highlight the area and attended neighborhood greenspace clean-up events.
- Delivered long-needed improvements to the Washington-Westcott roundabout, utilizing district funds and working with HPW to complete the project and improve both pedestrian and driver safety.
- Supporting improvements to our parks, including a shade sail at Nellie Keyes, a public air monitor at West End Park, sidewalk connectivity at Cottage Grove Park, and more.
- Supported Super Neighborhood 22 and AARP's Washington Ave sidewalk audit, informing future improvements.
- Supported re-SPARK of Memorial Elementary School's SPARK Park, funding over \$6,000 of improvements to the playground.
- Funded critical infrastructure repairs for Fire Station 6 on Washington Ave.
- Supported tennis court resurfacing, including the addition of pickleball lines, for several parks across the district, including Cleveland Park.

- Mitigated speeding to protect Cottage Grove Park and bring improvements to the playground.
- Allocated funding for localized beautification projects, including a mini mural at Yale/Koehler done in partnership with the West End Civic Club as a tribute to the walkability of the neighborhood.
- Supported residents grappling with erosion along their properties from floods along Buffalo Bayou.

#### *Completed Construction Projects*

- Washington Westcott (WOW) Roundabout Improvement - \$100,000
  - Funds: District C HPW CDSF, Lane Mile Selection Program
- Woodcrest Subdivision Drainage Analysis - \$51,800
  - Fund: District C SWAT
- Woodcrest Subdivision Stormwater Drainage Roadside Ditch Rehabilitation project at Allen, Birdsall, Malone, and Asbury - \$1,790,800
  - Fund: District C SWAT
- Woodcrest Regional Drainage Analysis - \$72,000
  - Fund: District C SWAT. While the study is complete, funding is needed for the design and construction.
- Crooms St from Asbury to Deterling Stormwater Drainage Roadside Ditch Rehabilitation - \$269,388
  - Fund: District C SWAT
- Blossom, Roy, and Reinerman from Lester to Sandman Stormwater Drainage Roadside Ditch Rehabilitation - \$540,580
  - Fund: District C SWAT
- Blossom and Westcott Intersection Safety Improvements - \$45,000
  - Fund: District C SWAT
- Cottage Grove Stormwater Drainage Roadside Ditch Rehabilitation - \$525,024
  - Fund: District C SWAT
- Cottage Grove East Subproject 1
  - Fund: HPW CIP

#### *In-Progress Construction Projects*

- Memorial and Shepherd Intersection Reconfiguration and Pedestrian Safety Improvements Partnership with the Memorial Heights TIRZ - \$50,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Interlocal Agreement with COH and TIRZ 5 in progress
- Kansas St from TC Jester to Maxroy Sidewalks -\$158,000
  - Fund: District C HPW CDSF, Status: Design complete, pending Notice to Proceed on Construction
- Memorial and Shepherd Ramps (to Dickson) Street Rehabilitation Project
  - Fund: Lane Mile Selection Program, Status: Interlocal Agreement with COH and TIRZ 5 in progress
- Cottage Grove East Subproject 2 - \$25,700,000
  - Fund: HPW CIP, Status: Anticipated construction to begin Summer 2026
- North Canal Project - \$27,000,000
  - Fund: HPW CIP, Status: Anticipated construction to begin Summer 2027
- Patterson Street Bikeway

- Fund: HPW, Status: under review by City Administration
- Neighborhood Mini Mural - \$6,000
  - Locations:
    - Yale/Koehler - done in partnership with the West End Civic Club as a tribute to the walkability of the neighborhood.
    - Entrance of Memorial Park at Memorial Dr and Crestwood – a tribute to the park’s history, amenities, and community.
  - Fund: District C Operating CDSF, Status: Pending design approval by Mayor’s Office of the Arts
- Washington Ave Corridor Safety and Economic Development Project - \$700,000
  - Study: Completed by HGAC. Based on public and steering committee feedback, the project team has developed two final recommendations for the corridor.