

## DRAFT APPENDIX G SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICTS

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## POLICY CONCERNING CREATION OF CONSERVATION AND RECLAMATION DISTRICTS

In order to facilitate desirable development within the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction that is generally consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan, the City of Fort Worth has adopted a policy to govern the approval of political subdivisions that are created pursuant to the Texas Constitution and that are authorized by law to provide water, wastewater, drainage, and other services ("districts").

Prior to considering whether to consent to or support the creation of a special district in the ETJ, the City will consider whether the City is able to provide water and wastewater service to the area proposed to be included in the district, and whether the City wishes to annex such area in the foreseeable future.

The objectives of the City's special districts policy include the following:

- Allow the City to enforce reasonable land use and development regulations;
- Provide for construction of appropriate cost-effective infrastructure;
- Provide notice that the City may annex the district in the future;
- Provide for extension of water and wastewater lines that will serve future growth in the City and its extraterritorial jurisdiction consistent with the City's regional utility planning;
- Establish guidelines for reasonable conditions to be placed on:
  - Issuance of bonds by the district; and
  - The City's consent to creation of the district, including conditions consistent with the City's water and sewer bond ordinances regarding creation of districts that might otherwise detrimentally compete with the City's utility systems; and
- Establish guidelines for other mutually beneficial agreements by the City and the district.

## POTENTIAL SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICTS

