

Harris County Drainage District No. 2

~~February~~ Houston, Texas, February 13, 1909

Extract from the Minutes of the organization meeting of the Board of Drainage Commissioners, Harris County Drainage District No. 2.

"Upon motion of Commissioner Parker, duly seconded and carried to that effect, George F. Horton was duly employed as Civil Engineer for the Drainage District, and he is hereby instructed to proceed with the work necessary to be done with all due speed. x x x "

We, the undersigned, the Chairman and Secretary respectively, of the Board of Drainage Commissioners for Harris County Drainage District No. 2, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of our board as to the employment of a Civil Engineer relating to the permanent survey of said District; further certifying that said George F. Horton is at present the official Civil Engineer for said District.

Given under our hands this 25th day of March, A. D. 1909.

John Swengel
Chairman.
A. L. Parker
Secretary.

Harris County, Feb. 4th. 1908.

TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS.

Gentlemen:

The undersigned free hold residents citizens of the Drainage District hereinafter proposed respectfully represents

That there are not within the herein mentioned boundaries of the said proposed District as many as seventy five free hold resident citizens, ~~that there are not within the herein mentioned boundaries of the said proposed District as many as seventy five free hold resident citizens,~~ that the undersigned petitioners represent and comprise at least, one third of all the free hold resident citizen Tax Payers within said Boundaries and that each of the undersigned is a free hold resident citizen tax payer in said proposed District.

That each of the undersigned petitioners desire the establishment in their locality, within the boundaries hereinafter mentioned, of a Drainage district which shall be known as and called "The Alameda Drainage District of Harris County, Texas" and they respectfully represent to the Court that a necessity exists for the establishment of such a District for Sanitary and Agricultural purposes and reasons and that the establishment of the same would be a public utility. That the lands embraced within said District are fertile but poorly drained. That their value for all purposes would be greatly enhanced by proper drainage. That it is feasible and practicable to thoroughly drain said District.

Petitioners say that the Territory comprising said proposed Drainage District is as follows:

All of the land embraced within the following boundaries: Beginning at the Common corner of Brazoria, Fort Bend and Harris Counties;

Thence Eastwardly, on the boundary line between Brazoria and Harris Counties, to such a point on Clear Creek as will afford sufficient good drainage to this District, after crossing the track of the Gulf Colorado and Santa Fe Rail Road; Thence in a Northerly direction, parallel with the said Rail Road track to the summit of the divide between Sims Bayou and Brays Bayou; Thence Westwardly along the

submit of said devide, following the meanders of the same, to the line between Harris and Fort Bend Counties; Thence Southeastwardly along said line, to the beginning. And petitioners say that they herewith present, as is required by law, a deposit of Two Hundred (200) Dollars, in cash which has been made up by subscription among the signers hereto, each subscribing the amount set opposite his name.

WHEREFORE, petitieners ask that the Court set this Petition down for hearing and issue notice thereof as the law directs, and that a surveyor be appointed, an election ordered and such other steps be taken by the Court as the Law directs looking to the establishment of such, Drainage District.

Respectfully submitted,

Pd Nelson Parker 10.00; J.C. Bridges 15.00 pf; pd.J.M. Davidson 5.00
W.G.Sears \$2.50; \$5. pf. Frank Treadwell, J.W. Hicks, \$10.00; \$5.00 A.
Birdsall; Jno.S.Stewart 5.00 paid; Pd G.E.Anderson \$5.00; A.C.Herndon
\$5.00; Pd. E.P. Edmundson 5.00 C.W. Mowery 15/00 Pd; Pd A.L. Parker 5.00
Hyman Levy \$5.00 paid; Pd Pat Johnson \$5.00 J.C. Hooper 5.00 pd. Pd.\$5.00
A.P. Johnson, John Swengel 10.00 pf. Pd M.H. Kerr, 10.00 C.G. Patton 10.00
pd. C.L.Sawin \$2.50 Pd. R.H.gawin \$2.50 Pd; H.J.Sawin \$2.50 pf. C.A.Sawin
\$2.50 Pd; S.Griffin 5.00 J.H. Griffin, F.G. schmidt 2.50 Pd; T.Tokedo
\$10. Paid, S.Otto \$10.00/100 Paid M. Ingersoll , C.W.Hall & Co. 5.00
Paid.

FILED: JUNE 9th.1908.

Geo Jones, Clerk County Court, Harris Co., Texas/
By H.L.Washburn, Deputy

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court in and for Harris County Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Original Petition in the matter of Harris County Drainage District No.2 as the same appears of file in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 18th day of March A.D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court, Harris Co., Texas.

BY Carl Washburn Deputy.

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Harris County Archives
Houston, Texas.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court in and for Harris Court, Texas do hereby certify that the signers of the Petition for Harris County Drainage District No.2 filed June 9th.1908 were free hold resident tax paying Citizens of the said proposed Drainage District at the time of the signing of said petition.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 18th.day of March A.D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court & Ex-officio
Clk of the Commissioners Court, Harris
County, Texas.

BY Carl Daugherty, Deputy.

CAPTION: JUNE TERM 1908.

Monday June 8th. A.D.1908.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HARRIS.

Be it remembered that on this the 8th. day of June
A.D.1908 there was begun and holden in and for said State and
County a Regular quarterly term of the Commissioners Court;

Present: Hon A.E.Amerman, County Judge.
John T.Hare, Commissioner Precinct No.2
Theo Zube, Commissioner Precinct No.4
A.R.Anderson, Sheriff
Geo Jones, County Clerk.

Jules Hirsch, Commissioner Precinct No. 1 and J.W. Hobson,
Commissioner Precinct No.3, failed to appear. When the following
business was transacted and orders made and entered of record
to-wit:

TUESDAY, June 9th. A.D. 1908

Court met pursuant to adjournment: Present
Hon A.E.Amerman, County Judge, Jules Hirsch, Commissioner
Precinct No.1, John T.Hare, Commissioner Precinct No.2, and Theo
Zube, commissioner Precinct No.4, J.W.Hobson, Commissioner
Precinct No. 3 failed to appear. when the following business was
transacted and orders made and entered of record to-wit:

Petn. of 31 residents for drainage
Dist. in Harris Co. "Almeda Drainage
Dist of Harris County, Texas set
for hearing July 17, 1908.

This day June 9th. A.D. 1908 came on to be heard before the Court a petition of 31 resident citizens of a proposed Drainage District for the establishment of a drainage District to be known as "The Almeda Drainage District of Harris County, Texas" and it appearing to the Court that the signers to said petition are taxpayers and that said Petition is in conformity with the law and that the deposit required by law to be made as been made: It is ordered by the Court that the same be set for hearing on Friday July 17th. 1908 before the Commissioners Court of Harris County, in Houston, Texas.

It is further ordered that the Clerk of this Court cause to be posted five certified copies of this petition together with this order, four within the boundaries of the proposed district and one at the Court House door in order that any person residing in the precinct sought to be enclosed may appear before the Court at the time of said hearing and state his objection thereto.

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Harris County Archives
Houston, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS

I, GEO JONES, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court in and for Harris County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Order made by the Commissioner's Court causing the Petition of 31 residents for Drainage District No. 2, Harris County, Texas to be set for hearing on July 17th. 1908 as the same appears of record in my office in Vol. 0, page 409 in the Minutes of said Court.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 15th. day of March A.D. 1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court, & EX-officio Clerk of t
the Commissioners Court in and for Harris
County, Texas.

BY Cecil Dougherty Deputy.

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NOTICE OF HEARING OF PETITION OF
ALMEDA DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

Harris County Feb. 4th. 1908
To the Honorable Commissioners Court, of Harris County, Texas

Gentlemen:

The undersigned free hold resident citizens of the
Drainage District hereinafter proposed respectfully represents.

That there are not, within the herein mentioned
boundaries of the said proposed District as many as seventy five
free hold resident citizens, ~~that there are not within the herein~~
~~mentioned boundaries of the said proposed District as many as~~
~~seventy five free hold resident citizens~~, that the undersigned
petitioners represent and compromise at least, one third of all the
free gold resident citizens Tax payers within said boundaries and
that each of the undersigned is a free hold resident citizen tax
payer in said proposed District. That each of the undersigned pet-
itioners desire the establishment in their locality within the
boundaries hereinafter mentioned, of a drainage district which shall
be known as and called "The Almeda Drainage District of Harris
County, Texas" and they respectfully represent to the Court that a
necessity exists for the establishment of such a District for
sanitary and agricultural purposes and reasons and that the estab-
lishment of the same would be a public utility. That the lands
embraced within said District are fertile but poorly drained.
That their value for all purposes would be greatly enhanced by
proper drainage. That it is feasible and practicable to thoroughly
drain said District: Petitioners say that the Territory comprising
said proposed Drainage District is as follows: All of the land
embraced within the following boundaries; Beginning at the Common
corner of Brazoria Fort Bend and Harris Counties: Thence eastwardly
on the boundary line between Brazoria and Harris Counties to such
a point on Clear Creek as will afford sufficient good drainage

to this District, after crossing the track of the Gulf Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad; thence in a Northerly direction parallel with the said Railroad track to the summit of the divide between Sims Bayou and Brays Bayou, thence westerly along the summit of said divide, following the meanders of the same to the line between Harris and Fort Bend counties; thence Southeasterly along said line to the beginning and petitioners say that they herewith present as is required by law, a deposit of Two Hundred (200) Dollars in cash which has been made up by subscription among the signers hereto each subscribing the amount set opposite his name.

Wherefore petitioners ask that the Court set this Petition down for hearing and issue notice thereof as the law directs and that a Surveyor be appointed and ordered and such other steps be taken by the Court as the law directs looking to the establishment of such drainage District.

Respectfully submitted,

Pd. Nelson Parker 10.00; J.C.Bridges 15.00 pd; pd.J.M.Davison 5.00; W.G.Sears \$2.50; \$5. pd. Frank Treadwell; J.W.Hicks \$10.00; \$5.00 A.Birdsall; Jno.S.Stewart 5.00 paid; Pd G.E. Anderson \$5.00; A.C. Herndon \$5.00; Pd E.P. Edmundson 5.00; C.W. Mowery 15.00 Pd; Pd. A.L.Parker 5.00; Hyman Levy \$5.00 paid; Pd Pat Johnson \$5.00; J.C.Hopper 5.00 pd; Pd \$5.00 A.P.Hohnson, JohnSwengel 10.00 pd; Pd M.H.Kerr, 10.00; C.G. Patton 10.00 pd; C.L.Sawin \$2.50 Pd; R.H. Sawin \$2.50 Pd; H.J.Sawin \$2.50 pd; C.A.Sawin \$2.50 Pd; S.Griffin 5.00; J.H. Griffin; F.G. schmidt 2.50 Pd; T.Tokedo \$10. Paid; S.Otto \$10.00/100 Paid. M.Ingersoll. C.W.Hall & Co. 5.00 Paid

This day June 9th.A.D.1908 came on to be heard before the Court a petition of 31 resident citizens of a proposed Drainage District for the establishment of a drainage District to be known as "The Almeda Drainage District of Harris County, Texas" and it appearing to the Court that the signers to said petition are tax payers and that said petition is in conformity with the law and that the deposit required by law to be made has been made ; It is ordered by the Court that the same be set for hearing on Friday July 17th.1908 before te Commissioners Court of Harris County in Houston, Texas. It is further ordered that the Clerk of this Court cause to be posted five certified copies of this petition together with this

order, four of which the boundaries of the proposed district and one at the Court House door in order that any person residing in the precinct sought to be enclosed may appear before the Court at the time of said hearing and state his objection thereto

State of Texas

County of Harris.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court in and for Harris County Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of petition of 31 resident citizens of a proposed Drainage District for the establishment of a drainage District to be known as "The Almeda Drainage District of Harris County, Texas and of the order of the Commissioners Court passed June 9th 1908 and ordering that notices thereof be posted, as the same appears of file and of record in my office in commissioners Minutes Vol.0 page 280.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court at office in Houston this the 13th. day of March A.D.1908.

Geo Jones, Clerk County court & Ex-officio
Clerk Commissioner Court Harris Co., Texas

"Seal"

By Cecil Naugherty, Deputy

OFFICER'S RETURN.

Came to hand 16th. day of June 1908 and executed by posting five certified copies of the within notice at the following places; One at the Court House door of Harris County, Texas, one at Almeda Post office; one at the school House at Almeda, one at the school house at Erin and one at the depot at Erin. Said last four named places being four public places in the proposed Drainage District from June 16th. 1908, to July 16th. 1908 inclusive as required by law. I certify in posting said notices I travelled 47-1/2 miles. witness my hand at Houston, Texas this 16th. day of July 1908

"Seal"

Geo Jones, Clerk Co. Court Harris County,
Texas By H.L. Washburn, Deputy.

Copied from the
Harris County Archives
Houston, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court in and for Harris County, Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the notive of hearing by the Commissioners Court on the Petition of 31 resident citizens for the establishment of a drainage distict to be called Almeda Drainage District of Harris County Texas as the same appears of record in my office in Vol.0 page 340 Commissioners Minutes.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the
15th. day of March A.D. 1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court, Harris Co., Texas & Ex-
officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court,
Harris County, Texas.

BY Carl Dougherty Deputy.

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Houston, Texas.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared W.L. Washburn, known to me to be Deputy Clerk of the County Court of Harris County, Texas, duly appointed and qualified, who after by me being duly sworn says on oath that he posted a true copy for hearing of original petition for Harris County Drainage District No.2 of said County at the following places one at Alameda Post office, one at Alameda School House, one at Erin School House, one at the depot in Brin and at the Court House door of Harris County, Texas, in Houston, Texas four of which above mentioned notices were posted in the proposed Drainage District and one at Court House door at least thirty days prior to 17th. day of July 1908

H.L. Washburn, Deputy County Clerk Harris County, Texas

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th. day of July A.D.1908.

Geo Jones, County Clerk Harris County, Texas
By Cecil Daugherty, Deputy.

"SEAL"

State of Texas
County of Harris.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court in and for Harris County, Texas, do hereby certify that H.L. Washburn was on all the dates mentioned in the above certificate a duly appointed and qualified Deputy acting for me and in my stead, as Clerk of the County Court in and for Harris County, Texas, and that the said H.L. Washburn was authorized and directed by me to post the notices hereinbefore referred to.

Geo Jones, Clerk County Court, Harris Co., Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court in and for Harris County, Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of affidavit showing the positing of Notices for hearing on Original Petition for a Drainage District to be known as Harris County Drainage District No.2 as the same appears of file in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 18th. day of March A D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court, Harris County, Texas.

BY Cecil Daugherty, Deputy.

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Call for special session July 12, 08.
Thursday July 17^A D. 1908.

Court convened in special session Present Hon A.E.
Amerman, County Judge, Jules Hirsch, Commissioner Precinct No.1
and John T.Hare Commissioner Precinct No.2, J.W.Hobson, Comm-
issioner Precinct No.3 and Theo Zube Commissioner Precinct No.4
failed to appear. When the following business was transacted and
orders made and entered of record to-wit:

On this the 17th. day of July A.D.1908 came on for hearing before the Court the petition of Thirty-one resident citizens of the proposed Drainage District to be known as "Almeda Drainage District of Harris County, Texas, " and it appearing that due notice of said hearing has been posted by the Clerk of this Court for thirty full days preceding as shown by his return on a certified copy of said petition and order of the Court passed June 9th. 1908 and the Court having heard all parties who appeared before it and gave their evidence thereon and being of the opinion that the drainage in such District is feasible and practicable and that it is needed and that said drainage would be conducive to the public health and of benefit to the citizens of said community, on motion of Commissioner Hirsch and seconded by Commissioner Hare the Court so finds and directs that its findings be placed of record.

It is further ordered that Geo F.Horton, a competent Civil Engineer of Harris County be and ~~that~~ he is hereby appointed to proceed immediately upon the premises described in said petition and the land embraced therein and examine the same and locate the necessary canals, drainage ditches etc. and make an estimate of the probable cost to make and complete each of them and designate the streams and bayous necessary to be closed, deepened or straightened and estimate the cost of each and shall also estimate the probable cost of maintaining the same for a year and proceed to make his report thereon to the Court. In locating the canals and ditches the Engineer shall in so far as the same may be practicable follow the lines of the land where it has been sectionized and his report shall be accompanied by a map showing the initial or beginning point as well as the outlets of all canals, ditches, etc as provided by law. It is further ordered that said Geo F.Horton be authorized to employ two assistants if the same shall be found necessary who shall each receive the sum of not more than \$2.00 per day for the time they are actually engaged in the work and said Engineer Geo F.Horton shall not receive more than \$10.00 per day for his services for the time he is actually engaged in the work and he is instructed to make said report as soon as possible.

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Harris County Archives
Houston, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, GEO JONES, Clerk of the County Court in and for Harris County, Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Order granting the petition of residents of Almeda Drainage District and appointing Geo F. Horton, engineer to make the survey as the same appears of record in my office in Vol. 0, page 342.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 15th. day of March A.D. 1909.

G. Jones
Clerk County Court & Ex-officio Clerk of
the Commissioners Court in and for Harris
County, Texas.

BY *Carl Duglenty* Deputy.

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Houston, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court, and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court in and for Harris County, Texas do hereby certify that Geo F.Horton, the engineer appointed by the Commissioners Court in its order dated Jul.17th.1908 to go on the land and make surveys etc. duly qualified as such by filing a bond dated July 23rd 1908 in the sum of \$500.00 with Cleveland Sewall and Chas.S.Fitch as sureties which said bond was duly approved by the County Judge of this County and filed August 3rd.1909 and recorded in Commissioners Minutes Vol. 0 page 447.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 18th.day of March A.D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clk. County Court & Exofficio Clk. of the
Commissioners Court Harris Co., Texas.

BY Carl D. [Signature] Deputy.

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Houston, Texas.

Monday October 26th.A.D.1908.

Court convened pursuant to Special Call; Present
Hon A.E.Amerman, County Judge; Jules Hirsch, Commissioner Precinct
No. 1 and John T.Hare Commissioner Precinct No.2, J.W. Hobson
Commissioner Precinct No.3, and Theo Zube; Commissioner Precinct
No.4 failed to appear. When the following business was transacted
and orders made and entered of record to-wit:

Report of Engr. In Harris Co. Drainage
Dist #2 (Almeda) Laid over till Dec.term.

It appearing to the Court that Geo F.Horton the Civil Engineer heretofore employed by the Court to go upon the premises and land embraced within the Harris County Drainage Distract No.2 (Almeda) and examine the land to be drained and to locate the necessary drains, ditches and canals and make an estimate of the probable cost of making and building each of them and to designate the stream or streams or the Bayous necessary to be cleaned, deepened and straightened and to estimate the cost of each and to estimate the probable cost of maintaining the same er year, the same to be accompanied by a map thereof, has ^{filed} failed his said report accompanied by the map of said proposed drainage district with the Clerk of ths Court it was moved by Commissioner Hirsch and seconded by Commissioner Hare that said report be laid over until the Third Tuesday of the December term of this Court.Which motion was put before the Court and resulted as follows: AYe. Hare, Hirsch, May A merman.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that said report be and the same is laid over untl the Third Tuesday of the Decegber Term of this Court.

Copied from the
Harris County Archives
Houston, Texas.

The State of Texas,
County of Harris.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court and
ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court in and for Harris
County Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is
a true and correct copy of the Order of the Commissioners
Court causing the Report of the County Engineer in the matter
of Almeda Drainage District to be laid over until December
Term of the Commissioners Court as the same appears of record in
Vol.0, page 409 Commissioners Minutes of said Court.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the
15th. day of March A.D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk of the County Court & ex-officio Clk
of the Commissioners Court, Harris Co., Texas

BY Carl Daugherty Deputy.

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WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 30th.A.D.1908.

The Commissioners Court convened in Special session:
Present Hon A.E.Amerman, county Judge, Jules Hirsch, Commissioner
Precinct No.1, John T Hare, Commissioner Precinct No.2 J.W.Hobson,
Commissioner Precinct No.3 and Theo zube Commissioner Precinct No.4
for the purpose of receiving and passing on bids for the the purpose
of ~~making the report~~ receiving and passing on bids for the wrecking
of the present Harris County Court House and removal of the debris and
for the purpose of setting the report of the Engineer on the Almeda
Drainage District and for passing on bills and for receiving and taking
necessary action on the rolls of the County Assessor of Harris County
and for any other business that may legally come before the Court.

Houston, Texas, September 22nd. 1908.

Hon Commissioners Court of Harris County,

Hon A.E. Amerman, County Judge, presiding Houston, Harris
County, Texas,

Gentlemen:

Having been appointed Engineer for the Alameda
Drainage District in Harris County, Texas, and in accordance
with your order dated 17th. day of July 1908 I have surveyed
out the entire basin of Clear Creek and Sims Bayou which lies
in Harris County and have made from the notes taken a complete
typographical map, showing one foot contours and the entire
districts, finding the natural basins and water courses and
locating all original grants and surveys Railroads County
Roads, present Drainage Ditches, Town Sites etc, etc.

The District is located in the Southern part of the
County with Sims Bayou running through the Northern portion of t
the District and Clerk Creek forms the South Boundary. I have
extended the East boundary line to the East line of the G.H.
& H.R.R. which I consider is far enough down the above mentioned
Streams to afford excellent drainage and it takes in a lot of
land, which is badly in need of a drainage system. Nature has
outlined a plan, which I have adhered to in planning my system
Sims Bayou and Clerk Creek will be deepened, widened and
straightened and will form the Main Arteries for the District.

The District contains 81,580 acres of very fine
and fertile land not surpassed by any in this section of the
State, but at present suffers from the want of Drainage. Sims
Bayou & Clear Creek being crooked and filled with trees, brush
and drift of all kinds, hold water out on the prairie for
several days at a time 6" to 18" in depth.

The County is practically level and needs large and
deep ditches at frequent intervals to care for the rainfall.
I have made the depth of all ditches 4' deep which lowers the
ground water and gives good lateral drainage. all ditches
are laid out so as to interfere as little as possible with

present improvements. A complete system of drainage will be a big benefit to the health of the community, it will increase the value of the land more than double, it will give the County a much larger assessable value, it will make good Roads possible and it is an absolute necessity for successful farming and will be the making of this section of our County.

The average assessable value is about \$16.35 per acre for the land and improvement embraced in this district, making a total assessable value of \$1,335,006 The market value of this land is \$25. per acre making a total of \$2,059,500. We have estimated the system of drainage that will give the desired results for \$200,000.00 being only 1/10 part of the actual ~~value~~ value of this district. The construction of the proposed plan will give us a cost of \$2.44 per acre.

The detail cost being as follows:

17 Lateral Ditches 4 feet deep, 4 feet base slopes 1 to 1 43 Drainage Canals 5 feet deep 4 to 10 ft base 1 to 1 slope	126034.37
Cleaning out, deepening, straightening Sims Bayou	20000.00
Cleaning out, deepening, straightening Clerk Creek	27000.00
Culverts R/W etc etc	12500.00
Maintenance 3 years after which the ditches will clean themselves	4500.00
Engineers Commission and help	9965.63
Total Cost	200,000.00

Attached is a map of the District and a copy of the field notes describing the boundary lines and a list giving the length and number of the Cubic Yards in each ditch.

Very respectfully submitted,

Geo F. Horton, Drainage Engineer.

No of Ditch	Length of Ditch	Depth of Ditch	Width of Ditch at base	Cubic Yards to be excavated.
1	17,000 ft	10 ft	5 ft	
1	20,000 "	8 "	5 "	140,340
1	22,000 "	6 "	5 "	
2	13,000 "	6 "	5 "	26,520
3	4,000. "	8 "	5 "	
3	7,500 "	6 "	5 "	24,800
4	12,000 "	8 "	5 "	
4	9,000 "	4 "	4 "	39,540
5	4,000 "	8 "	5 "	
5	12,000 "	6 "	5 "	45,280
5	6,000 "	4 "	4 "	
6	10,000 "	12 "	5 "	
6	8,000 "	10 "	5 "	76,180
6	11,000 "	6 "	5 "	
7	13,500 "	8 "	5 "	
7	13,000 "	6 "	5 "	59,035
8	19,000 "	4 "	4 "	22,420
9	21,000 "	6 "	5 "	83,640
10	13,000 "	6 "	5 "	26,520
11	8,500 "	4 "	4 "	10,030
12	4,500 "	4 "	4 "	5,310
13	7,500 "	6 "	5 "	
13	7,000 "	4 "	4 "	23,560
14	3,500 "	4 "	4 "	4,130
15	7,500 "	4 "	4 "	8,850
16	9,000 "	4 "	4 "	10,620
17	8,000 "	4 "	4 "	9,440
18	8,000 "	4 "	4 "	8,260
19	10,000 "	4 "	4 "	11,800
20	10,000 "	4 "	4 "	11,800
21	11,000 "	4 "	4 "	12,980
22	6,000 "	4 "	4 "	7,080
23	11,000 "	4 "	4 "	12,980
24	12,000 "	4 "	4 "	14,160
25	11,000 "	4 "	4 "	12,980
26	5,000 "	4 "	4 "	5,900
27	8,500 "	4 "	4 "	10,030
28	6,500 "	4 "	4 "	7,670
29	4,500 "	4 "	4 "	5,310
30	1,500 "	4 "	4 "	270
31	10,500 "	4 "	4 "	12,390
32	5,500 "	4 "	4 "	6,490
33	7,000 "	4 "	4 "	8,260
34	7,500 "	4 "	4 "	8,850
35	7,000 "	4 "	4 "	8,260
36	6,000 "	4 "	4 "	7,080
37	11,000 "	4 "	4 "	12,980
38	9,500 "	4 "	4 "	11,210
39	12,000 "	4 "	4 "	14,160
40	10,500 "	4 "	4 "	12,390
41	9,000.00 "	4 "	4 "	10,620
42	6,000 "	4 "	4 "	7,080
43	14,500 "	8 "	4 "	17,110
A	6,500 "	4 "	4 "	7,670
B	6,000 "	4 "	4 "	7,080
C	6,500 "	4 "	4 "	7,670
D	4,000 "	4 "	4 "	4,720
E	5,000 "	4 "	4 "	5,900
F	3,000 "	4 "	4 "	3,540
G	8,500 "	4 "	4 "	10,030
				<u>920,945</u> Cu Yards.
			Brgt over	920,945
H	4,000 ft	4 ft	4 "	4,720
I	4,000 "	4 "	4 "	4,720
J	6,500 "	4 "	4 "	7,670
K	13,500 "	4 "	4 "	15,340
L	3,500 "	4 "	4 "	4,130
M	5,500 "	4 "	4 "	11,220
N	7,000 "	4 "	4 "	8,260
O	11,000 "	4 "	4 "	12,980
P	10,000 "	4 "	4 "	11,800
Q	5,500 "	4 "	4 "	6,490
			TOTAL	<u>1008,275</u>
			TOTAL Earthwork	1008,275 Cu Yrds.

Cleaning Clear Creek
Cleaning Sims Bayou

140,000 feet
87,000 feet

FIELD NOTES OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT No2

Known as the Alameda Drainage District of Harris Co.

Texas

Beginning at Mile Post 28, a common corner of Brazoria Fort Bend and Harris County, Thence N. $61^{\circ} 30'$ West 46,040 feet; Thence East along the South line of Sec. No. 4 H T & B.R.R. survey 4800 feet, thence North along the East line of Sec. 4 to the North line of Sec 3, H T & B.R.R.Co. survey 2600 feet, thence East along the North line of Sec 3 H. T & B.R.R. Co. 2550 feet and continuing to a point on the East line of District No.1 at Station 1654, the distance of 3825 feet in all; thence North $86^{\circ} 45'$ East 14,000 feet a point, the N.W.corner of the Geo Allen survey, thence North $89^{\circ} 30'$ East 8100 feet along the North line of the Geo Allen survey to the S.P. Ry R. of Way fence, thence N. $67^{\circ} 31'$ E 8600 feet, thence North $73^{\circ} 30'$ East 11,900 feet to the Junction of the I & G.N. R.R. and the G.H. & H.R.R. thence along the S. P. right of way fence N. $73^{\circ} 30'$ East 19,600 feet; thence North 56° East 6000 feet to the N.W corner of the Henry B Prentiss survey; thence East 17,650 feet to the fence line of the G. H. & H.R.R. thence south $38^{\circ} 30'$ East 88000 feet to Clerk Creek thence with the meanders of Clear Creek to the point of the beginning, containing 81,584 acres of land.

FILED Sep. 30, 1908 Geo Jones, Clerk County Court Harris Co., Tex
By H.L.Washburn, Deputy.

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Houston, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court,
in and for Harris County, Texas, do hereby certify that the
above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the
Report of the Engineer in the matter of Harris County
Drainage District No.2 as the same appears of record in my office
in Commissioners Minutes Vol. 0, page 457.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this
the 15th. day of March A.D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court, Harris Co., Texas and
Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners
Court.

BY Carl Augustus Deputy.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 30th. A.D.1908.

It appearing to the Court that Geo F.Horton, the Civil engineer heretofore employed by the Court to go upon the premises and land embraced within the Almeda Drainage District and examine the land, to be drained and to locate the necessary drains, ditches, and canals and make ~~the~~ an estimate of the probable cost of making and building each of them and to designate the stream or streams or the bayous necessary to be cleaned deepened and straightened and to estimate the cost of each and to estimate the probable cost of maintaining the same per year, the same to be accompanied by a map thereof, has filed his said report accompanied by the map of said proposed Drainage District with the Clerk of this Court, on motion of Commissioner Zube and seconded by Commissioner Hirsch it is ordered that said report be set down for hearing on Monday October 26, 1908 and the Clerk of this Court will cause to be posted such notices as may be required by law.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the county Court and ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Order made by the Commissioners Court ~~at~~ setting down for hearing on Oct. 26th 1908 the Engineer's report on Harris County Drainage District No. 2 as the same appears of record in my office in Commissioners Minutes Vol. 0, page 397.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the
17th. day of March A.D.1909.

Geo. Jones
Clerk County Court, Harris Co., Texas.

BY Cecil Dougherty, Deputy.

NOTICE.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 30th. A.D.1908.

It appearing to the Court that Geo F. Horton, the Civil Engineer heretofore employed by the Court to go upon the premises and land embraced within the Almeda Drainage District and examine the land, to be drained and to locate the necessary drains, ditches, and canals and make ~~an~~ an estimate of the probable cost of making and building each of them and to designate the stream or streams or the bayous necessary to be cleaned deepened and straightened and to estimate the cost of each and to estimate the probable cost of maintaining the same per year, the same to be accompanied by a map thereof, has filed his said report accompanied by the map of said proposed Drainage District with the Clerk of this Court, on motion of Commissioner Zube and seconded by Commissioner Hirsch it is ordered that said report be set down for hearing on Monday October 26, 1908 and the Clerk of this Court will cause to be posted such notices as may be required by law.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court in and for Harris County, Texas, hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the ~~Notice~~ an order made by the Commissioners Court setting down for hearing on Oct. 26th. 1908 the Engineer's report on Harris County Drainage District No. 2 as the same appears of record in my office in Commissioners Minutes Vol. 0 page 397.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the
30th. day of March 1908. Geo Jones, Clerk County Court, Harris Co., Tex
S "Seal" By H.L. Washburn, Deputy.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS. I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Notice posted in the matter of the Drainage District No. 2 as the same appears of file in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the
18th. day of March A.D. 1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court & Ex-officio Clk. of the
Commissioners Court Harris Co., Texas.

BY Cecil Dougherty Deputy.

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STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

Before me the undersigned authority on this day personally appeared H.J.Lahrssen known to me to be Deputy Clerk of the County Court of Harris County, Texas duly appointed and qualified who after by me being duly sworn says on oath that he posted a true copy for hearing of Engineer's first report filed Sept. 30, 1908 for Harris County Drainage District No. Two of said county at the following places one at Almeda Post Office, one at Almeda School House, One at Erin School House one at the depot at Erin and one at the Court House door of Harris County, Texas in Houston, Texas four of which above mentioned notices were posted in the proposed Drainage District ~~at least~~ and one at Court House door at least twenty days prior to Monday Oct. 25th. 1908

H.J.Lahrssen, Deputy County Clerk Harris Co., Texas.

sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th. day
of Oct. 1908

"Seal"

H.L. Washburn, ~~Notary~~ Notary Public
Harris County, Texas.

State of Texas,
County of Harris,

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County court in and for Harris County, Texa, do hereby certify that H.J.Lahrssen was on all the dates mentioned in the above certificate a duly appointed and qualified Deputy acting for me and in my stead, a Clerk of the County Court, in and for Harris County, Texas, and that the said H.J. Lahrssen was authorized and directed by me to post the notices hereinbefore referred to.

Geo Jones, Clerk County Court,
Harris Co., Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the affidavit relating to the posting of notices for hearing of Engineers first report for Harris County Drainage District No. 2 as the same appears of file in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the
18th. day of March A. D. 1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court, Harris Co., Texas, Ex

BY Cecil [Signature] Deputy.

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Monday, December 14th. A.D.1908.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

Be it remembered that on this the 14th. day of
December A:D.1908 Court convened in Regular Monthly session; Present
Hon A.F.Amerna, County Judge, Geo Kuhlman Commissioner Precinct No.1
J.W.Hall Commissioner Precinct No.3 and Theo Zube Commissioner Precinct
No.4 Absent John T.Hare, Commissioner Precinct No.2, when the following
business was transacted and orders made and entered of record to-wit:

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Tuesday, December 15th. A. D. 1908

Court met pursuant to adjournment. All members present. When the following business was transacted and orders made and entered of record, to-wit:

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Houston, Texas.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 15th. A.D.1908.

On this the 15th. day of December 1908 came on to be heard the report of Geo F.Horton heretofore appointed as Engineer for Harris County Drainage District No.2 known as the Almeda Drainage District of Harris County, Texas, and it appearing to the Court that no objection thereto has been made on motion of Commissioner Kuhlman seconded by Commissioner Hare duly put and carried, it is ordered by the Court that the report of Geo F.Horton Engineer be and the same is hereby in all things approved and confirmed and that the same be recorded in the Minutes of this Court.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court & Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Order approving the Report of the County Engineer in the matter of Harris County Drainage District No.2 as the same appears of record in Vol.0 page 460 Commissioners Minutes.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 15th.day of March A.D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court & Ex-officio Clerk of
the Commissioners Court, Harris Co., Texas.

BY Cecil Doughty Deputy.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15th. 1908.

COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS.

November Term A.D. 1908.

In the matter of the petition of Nelson Parker and 30 others praying for the establishment of a drainage District in said petition fully described and designated by the name of "Harris County Drainage District No.2"

On motion of Commissioner Kuhlman and seconded by Commissioner Hare, duly put and carried, it is ordered by the court that an election be held on Monday January 25th. 1909 in the proposed drainage district to be known as "Harris County Drainage District No.2" described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at Mile Post 28, a common corner of Brazoria Fort Bend and Harris County; thence N. 61° 30' West 46,000 feet; thence East along the South line of Sec. No. 4 H T & B R R Survey 4800 feet thence North along the East line of sec. 4 to the North line of sec 3 H T & B R R Co survey 2600 feet thence East along the North line of Sec. 3 H. T & B R R Co 2550 feet and continuing to a point on the East line of District No. 1 at Section 1654 the distance of 3825 feet in all; thence North 86° 45' East 14,000 feet to a point, the N.W. corner of the Geo Allen survey; Thence North 89° 30' East 8100 feet along the North line of the Geo Allen Survey to the S. P Ry R of Way fence; Thence N 67° 30' E 8600 feet; thence North 73° 30' East 11,900 feet to the junction of the I & G N. R.R. and the G.H. & H.R.R. thence along the S.P right of way fence N 73° 30' East 19,600 feet, thence North 56 deg. East 6000 feet to the N.W. corner of the Henry B. Prentiss survey; thence East 17,650 feet to the east fence line of the G.H. & H.R.R. thence South 38° 30' East 88000 feet to Clear Creek; Thence with the meanders of Clear Creek to the point of the beginning containing 81,584 acres of land, at which time there shall be submitted the following propositions and none other "For the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and levy of tax in payment therefor". "Against the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and levy of Tax in payment therefor"

It is further ordered that the following shall constitute the voting boxes in and for said proposed Drainage District to-wit: Voting Precinct No.11 Harrisburg voting Precinct No.12, Pierce Junction; Voting Precinct No.13, Webster; Voting Precinct No.37 Brays Bayou; voting Precinct No.43 Genoa; voting Precinct No.44 Almeda and voting Precinct No. 48 Yates; and that the following parties be and they are hereby appointed Judge of said election to hold the same in conformity with law; Precinct No.11 Harrisburg ^{M.}Sam Allen, Presiding officer J.H.Sutton and J.S. Deady, Judges, Precinct No.12 Pierce Junction, E.R. Taylor Presiding officer and John McIver Judge, Precinct No.13, Webster J.W. Thompson Presiding officer and W. H.Plumley, Judge, Precinct No.37 Brays Bayou, N.Tuffly Presiding officer and Joe Schwander Judge; Precinct No.43 Genoa M.H. Olson Presiding officer and Levi Arnold Judge, Precinct No.44 Almeda, J.C. Parker, Presiding officer and G.Dagg Judge, Precinct No.48 Yates, L.S.Stiles Presiding officer and H.S. Schmitz, Judge

It is further ordered that the Clerk of this Court give notice of such election and the time and place of holding the same in five public places in said proposed Drainage District one at the Court House door of Harris County as provided by law and the officers holding said election shall make returns thereof as provided by law.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an order made by the Commissioners Court ordering an election to be held in Harris County Drainage District No.2 to determine whether or not Bonds shall issue as the same appears of record in my office in Vol. 0 page 460 Commissioners Minutes.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 16th. day of March A.D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk of the County Court & Ex-officio Clk.
Commissioners Court Harris County, Texas.

BY Cecil Duggan Deputy.

N O T I C E.

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TUESDAY DECEMBER 15th.1908.

COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS.

November Term A.D.1908.

In the matter of the petition of Nelson Parker and 30 others praying for the establishment of a drainage District in said petition fully described and designated by the name of "Harris County Drainage District No. 2"

On motion of Commissioner Kuhlman and seconded by Commissioner Hare, duly put and carried, it is ordered by the court that an election be held on Monday January 25th.1909 in the proposed drainage district to be known as "Harris County Drainage District No.2" described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at Mile Post 28, a common corner of Brazoria Fort Bend and Harris County, thence N.61° 30 West 46,040 feet; thence East along the south line of Sec. No. 4 H. T & B.R.R. survey 4800 feet thence North along the East line of Sec.4, to the North line of Sec. 3 H T & B.R.R. Co. Survey 2600 feet thence East along the North line of sec. 3 H.T. & B.R.R.Co. 2550 feet and continuing to a point on the East line of District No.1 at Section 1654 the distance of 3825 feet in all, thence North 86° 45' East 14,000 feet to a point, the N.W. corner of the Geo. Allen survey thence North 89° 30' East 8100 feet along the North line of the Geo Allen survey to the S.P. Ry R of way fence; Thence N. 67° 30' E 8600 feet, thence North 73° 30' East 11,900 feet to the junction of the I & G.N. R.R and the G.H. & H.R.R. thence along the S.P. right of way fence N.73° 30' East 19m600 feet, thence North 56 deg. East 6000 feet to the N. corner of the Henry B.Prentiss survey thence East 17,650 feet to the East fence line of the G.H. & H.R.R thence south 38° 30' East 88000 feet to Clear Creek, thence with the meanders of Clear Creek to the point of the beginning containing 81,584 acres of land, at which time there shall be submitted the following propositions and none other "For the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and levy of tax in payment therefor" "Against the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and levy of Tax in payment therefor "

It is further ordered that the following shall constitute the voting boxes in and for said proposed Drainage District to-wit Voting Precinct No.11 Harrisburg voting Precinct No.12, Pierce Junction voting Precinct No.13, Webster, Voting Precinct No.37 Brays Bayou, voting Precinct No.43 Genoa; voting Precinct No.44 Almeda and voting Precinct No.48 Yates; and that the following parties be and they are hereby appointed Judge of said election to hold the same in conformity with law; Precinct No.11 Harrisburg Sam M.Allen, Presiding officer J.H. gutton and JS. Deady Judges, Precinct No.12, Pierce Junction, E.R. Taylor Presiding officer and John McIver Judge Precinct No.13, Webster J.W. Thompson, Presiding officer and W. H.Plumley, Judge, Precinct No. 37 Brays Bayou, N.Tuffly officer and Joe Schwander Judge, Precinct No.43 Genoa M.H.Olson Presiding officer and Levi Arnold Judge, Precinct No.44 Almeda, J.C.Parker, Presiding officer and G.Dagg Judge, Precinct No.48 Yates L.S.Stuiles Presiding officer and H.S. Schmitz, Judge.

It is further ordered that the Clerk of this Court give notice of such election and the time and place of holding the same in five public places in said proposed Drainage District one at the Court House door of Harris County as provided by law and the officers holding said election shall make returns thereof as provided by law

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an order made by the Commissioner's Court ordering an election to be held in Harris County Drainage District No.2 to determine whether or not Bonds shall issue as the same appears of record in my office in Vol.0 page 460 Commissioners Minutes/

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 15th. day of December A.D.1908.

Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court,
Harris County, Texas.
By H.L.Washburn, Deputy.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court in and for Harris County, Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Notice posted in the matter of the Harris County Drainage District No.2 as the same appears of file in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 18th. day of March A.D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clk. County Court & Ex-officio Clk. of
Commissioners Court, Harris Co., Texas.
BY Cecil Daugherty Deputy.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

Before me, the undersigned authority on this day personally appeared H.J.Lahrssen, known to me to be Deputy Clerk of the County Court of Harris County, Texas, duly appointed ~~Deputy~~ and qualified, who after by me being sworn says on oath that he posted a true copy ~~of~~ for election to determine whether or not bonds shall issue for Harris County Drainage District No. two, of said County at the following places one at the school House door at Erin one near depot at Erin one at the Post office at Almeda one at the depot at Almeda one at the school House at Almeda and at the Court House door of Harris County, Texas in Houston, Texas, five of which above mentioned notices were posted in the proposed Drainage District and one at the Court House Door at least thirty days prior to the 25th. day of January 1909.

H.J.Lahrssen, Deputy County Clerk
Harris Co., Texas

sworn to and subscribed before me this 25 day of
Jany A.D. 1909.
"Seal"

H.L. Washburn, Notary Public Harris
County, Texas.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court in and for Harris County, Texas do hereby certify that H.J.Lahrssen, was on all the dates mentioned in the above certificate a duly appointed and qualified Deputy acting for me and in my stead, a Clerk of the County Court in and for Harris County, Texas, and that the said H.J.Lahrssen was authorized and directed by me to post the notices hereinbefore referred to.

Geo Jones, Clerk County Court, Harris Co.,
Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court in and for Harris County Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the affidavit relating to the posting of notices for election to determine whether or not bonds shall issue in the matter of the Harris County Drainage District No. 2 as the same appears of file in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 18th. day
of March A.D. 1909.

Geo Jones, Clerk County Court
& Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners
Court in and for Harris Co., Texas.

BY Carl Dugger Deputy.

To the County Commissioners' Court of Harris County, Texas:

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Jan'y 1909

We, the undersigned officer, held an election on the ~~25~~ day of ~~October, 1908,~~
² in Drainage District No. ~~1~~ of Harris County, Texas, at Almeda, a polling
² place in said district, to determine if Drainage District No. ~~1~~ of Harris County, Texas, shall
be established and issue bonds and levy a tax in payment therefor, hereby certify that at said
election there were 22 votes cast at said box, of which number there were cast "For
the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and Levy of Taxes in Payment Therefor,"
19 votes; "Against the Drainage District and the Issuance of Bonds and Levying of
a Tax in Payment Therefor," 3 votes.

Majority ^{for} ~~against~~ the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and Levying a Tax
in Payment Therefor, 16 votes. We herewith enclose poll list and tally sheets of
said election.

We also further certify that at said election every voter voting at the same, when he
offered to vote had administered to him by the presiding judge, the following oath: "I do
solemnly swear that I am a qualified voter of Harris County, and that I am a resident property
tax payer of the proposed Drainage District, and I have not voted before at this election."

Witness our hands this the 25 day of January 1909

<u>P.C. Parker</u>	Presiding Officer
<u>Garrett Dagg</u>	Judge
_____	Judge
<u>W.H. Parker,</u>	Clerk
_____	Clerk

To the County Commissioners' Court of Harris County, Texas:

We, the undersigned officer, held an election on the ²⁵ ~~8~~th day of ^{June, 1909} ~~October, 1908~~,
in Drainage District No. ~~2~~ ² of Harris County, Texas, at Ganona, a polling
place in said district, to determine if Drainage District No. ~~2~~ ² of Harris County, Texas, shall
be established and issue bonds and levy a tax in payment therefor, hereby certify that at said
election there were 17 votes cast at said box, of which number there were cast "For
the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and Levy of Taxes in Payment Therefor,"
17 votes; "Against the Drainage District and the Issuance of Bonds and Levying of
a Tax in Payment Therefor," _____ votes.

Majority ^{for} ~~against~~ the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and Levying a Tax
in Payment Therefor, 17 votes. We herewith enclose poll list and tally sheets of
said election.

We also further certify that at said election every voter voting at the same, when he
offered to vote had administered to him by the presiding judge, the following oath: "I do
solemnly swear that I am a qualified voter of Harris County, and that I am a resident property
tax payer of the proposed Drainage District, and I have not voted before at this election."

Witness our hands this the 25 day of Jun. 1909

<u>M. H. Olson</u>	Presiding Officer
<u>L. Peterson</u>	Judge
_____	Judge
<u>T. H. Olin</u>	Clerk
<u>P. A. Jones</u>	Clerk

To the County Commissioners' Court of Harris County, Texas:

We, the undersigned officer, held an election on the ^{25th} ~~8th~~ day of ^{July} ~~October~~, 190⁹ ~~8~~,
in Drainage District No. ~~8~~ of Harris County, Texas, at Webster, a polling
place in said district, to determine if Drainage District No. ~~2~~ of Harris County, Texas, shall
be established and issue bonds and levy a tax in payment therefor, hereby certify that at said
election there were 13 votes cast at said box, of which number there were cast "For
the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and Levy of Taxes in Payment Therefor,"
8 votes; "Against the Drainage District and the Issuance of Bonds and Levying of
a Tax in Payment Therefor," 5 votes.

Majority ^{for} ~~against~~ the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and Levying a Tax
in Payment Therefor, 8 votes. We herewith enclose poll list and tally sheets of
said election.

We also further certify that at said election every voter voting at the same, when he
offered to vote had administered to him by the presiding judge, the following oath: "I do
solemnly swear that I am a qualified voter of Harris County, and that I am a resident property
tax payer of the proposed Drainage District, and I have not voted before at this election."

Witness our hands this the 25 day of July 1909

J. W. Thompson Presiding Officer

H. W. Bonten, Clerk
_____ Clerk

To the County Commissioners' Court of Harris County, Texas:

We, the undersigned officer, held an election on the ²⁵~~8th~~ day of ^{January}~~October~~ 190⁴~~8~~ in Drainage District No. ²~~1~~ of Harris County, Texas, at ~~Pierce Junction~~, a polling place in said district, to determine if Drainage District No. ~~1~~ of Harris County, Texas, shall be established and issue bonds and levy a tax in payment therefor, hereby certify that at said election there were ~~one~~ votes cast at said box, of which number there were cast "For the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and Levy of Taxes in Payment Therefor," _____ votes; "Against the Drainage District and the Issuance of Bonds and Levying of a Tax in Payment Therefor," ~~one~~ votes.

Majority ^{for}~~against~~ the Drainage District and Issuance of Bonds and Levying a Tax in Payment Therefor, _____ votes. We herewith enclose poll list and tally sheets of said election.

We also further certify that at said election every voter voting at the same, when he offered to vote had administered to him by the presiding judge, the following oath: "I do solemnly swear that I am a qualified voter of Harris County, and that I am a resident property tax payer of the proposed Drainage District, and I have not voted before at this election."

Witness our hands this the ~~25th~~ day of ~~January~~ 190 ~~8~~

~~E. R. Taylor~~ Presiding Officer

Judge

Judge

~~E. R. Taylor~~ Clerk

~~J. H. Meyer,~~ Clerk

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court in and for Harris County, Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing five pages constitute a true and correct copies of the certificates of Election officers in the respective polling places to which the same relate which accompanied the returns of an election held January 25th. 1909 in said Harris County Drainage District No. 2 for the purpose of determining whether or not bonds should be issues in said Drainage District as the same appears of file in my office and in the papers of the Commissioners Court of this County.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the
18th. day of March A.D. 1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court, Harris County, Texas
BY Paul D. [Signature] Deputy.

Saturday January 23rd. A.D.1909.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

Under and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law I hereby call a special meeting of the Commissioners Court in and for Harris County, Texas, to be held at Houston, Texas, at the Court House thereof on Saturday Jan. 23rd. 1909 for the purpose of considering the feasibility of the petition to establish Harris County Drainage District No. 3; for the purpose of taking action in connection with the contracts for the paving of Hardy St. Road and the West Montgomery Road; for the purpose of appointing S.A. Starkey inspector and discontinuing all other inspections and for the further purpose of taking action looking to the cancellation or extension of time on the following contracts, W.S.Hipp for the paving of the Houston & Crosby Road North of Houston, Houston & Crosby Road South of Crosby, Houston & Pierce Junction County Road, Leeland Ave Road and the Main Street County Road. A.N. Fitzgerald for the building of Horse Pen Bayou bridge, Langhams Bayou Bridge, south Mayd Bayou Bridge, White Oak Bridge, M.M.Craven for the paving of Pasadena Allen & Genoa County Road and for any other business that may legally come before the Court.

A.E.Amerman, Judge.

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Court met pursuant to special call. All members Present, when the following business was transacted and orders made and entered of record. to-wit:

Saturday January 23rd. A.D.1909.

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Court met pursuant to special call. All members Present, when the following business was transacted and orders made and entered of record. to-wit:

Saturday, January 23rd., 1909.

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Harris County Archives
Houston, Texas.

On this the 10th. day of February A.D.1909 came on to be canvassed the returns of an election held in the proposed Drainage District to be known as "Harris County Drainage District No.2" on the 25th. day of January A.D.1909 for the purpose of determining whether or not Bonds shall be issued and a tax levied within said District for drainage purposes and the said returns having been canvassed in open

court, the court finds that the following votes were cast to-wit:

Webster	8 for	5 Against
Genoa	17 for	0 against
Pierce Junction	0 for	1 against
Almeda	19 for	3 against
Yates	8 for	0 against
Total	52 for	9 against

The Court therefore declares said election carried by the required two-thirds majority and therefore on motion of Commissioner Kuhlman and seconded by Commissioner Zube it is ordered by the Court that said election be declared carried and that said district be known as "Harris County Drainage District No.2." and that the Clerk record said returns in the Book of Election Returns.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court, in and for Harris County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Returns of election held in Harris County Drainage District No.2 on Jan.25th. 1909 canvassed as the same appear of record in my office in Vol. 0, page 499

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 19th. day of March A.D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court, Harris Co, Texas.

BY Paul D. [Signature] Deputy.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23rd.1909.

Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas.

In the Matter of the petition of NelsonmParker and 30 others praying for the establishment of a drainage District in said petition fully described and designated by the name of "Harris County Drainage District No.2"

Be it known that an election called for that purpose in said district held on the 25th. day of January A.D.1909 the two thirds majority of the voters thereat voted in favor of the creation of said Drainage istrict and the issuance of bonds and the levy of a drainage tax.

No w therefore it is considered and ordered by the Court that said Drainage pistrict be and the same is hereby established by the name of Harris County Drainage District No.2 within the following metes and bounds to-wit:

Beginning at Mile Post 28, a common corner of Brazoria, Fort Bend and Harris County, thence N.61° 30' West 46040 feet, thence East along the outh line of Section No.4 H. T & B.R.R. survey 4800 feet, thence North along the east line of Sec. 4 to the North line of Sec. 3 H.T. & B.R.R. Co.survey 2600 feet, thence East along the North line of Sec. 3 H. T & B.R.R. Co.2550 feet and continuing to a point on the east line of District No.1, at Station 1654 the distance of 3825 feet in all thence North 86° 45' East 1400 feet to a point, the N.W. corner of the Geo Allen survey, thence North 89° 30' East 8100 feet along the North line of the Geo Allen survey to the S.P.Ry R of Way fence, thence N.67° 30' East 8600 feet; thence North 73° 30' East 11900 feet to the Junction of the I & G. N.R.R. and the G.H. & N.R.R. thence along the S.P. right of way fence N.73° 30' East 19600 feet; thence North 56° East 6000 feet to the N.W.corner of the Henry B. Presntiss survey thence East 17650 feet to the East fence line of the G.H. & H R.R. thence outh 30° 30' East 88000 feet to Clear Creek, thence with the meanders of Clear Creek po the point of the beginning containing 81,584 acres of land.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS

I, Geo Jones, Clerk County Court, Harris County, Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an order made by the Commissioners Court establishing Harris County Drainage District No.2as the same appears of record in my office in Vol. 0 page 499 in the Minutes of said Court.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 19th.day of March A.D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court, Harris Col, Texas.

BY Carl Dougherty
Deputy.

Whereas there has been established "Harris County Drainage District No. 2 by vote of the resident tax paying citizens of said district and by an order of the commissioners court heretofore entered, and whereas it is provided by law that three drainage commissioners shall be appointed in said district and the voters of said district having certified to this court their selection and the court deeming such election wise and to the benefit of said district.

Therefore on motion of commissioner Kuhlman and seconded by Commissioner Gube duly put and carried it is ordered that Frank Peck, John Swingle and A.L. Parker be and they are hereby appointed Drainage Commissioners of Harris County Drainage District No. 2, to hold office for the term of two years and until their successors shall have qualified, unless sooner removed by majority vote of this Court, for the performance of all those acts and things required of them under and by virtue of the acts of the Legislature of 1907 creating such drainage district and it is further ordered that said Drainage Commissioners before entering upon their duties shall make and enter unto a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$1000.00 payable to the County Judge for the use and benefit of said Drainage District conditioned for the faithful performance of their duties and shall take and subscribe before the County Judge an oath to so faithfully discharge and perform the same.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court in and for Harris County, Texas hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the order appointing Drainage District commissioners for Harris County Drainage District No. 2 and I also further certify that said drainage Commissioners qualified as such on Feb. 13th. 1909 by giving bond and taking oaths as prescribed by law which said bonds ~~and oaths~~ were approved by the County Judge on February 13th. 1909 and filed and recorded in Commissioners Minutes Vol. 0 pages 500 and 511 witness my hand and seal of office on this the 18th. day of March A. D. 1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court, Harris Co., Texas

BY Carl Dugger Deputy

Commissioners qualified 17.1

Whereas there has been established "Harris County Drainage District No.2 by vote of the resident tax paying citizens of said district and by an order of the commissioners court heretofore entered, and whereas it is provided by law that three drainage commissioners shall be appointed in said district and the voters of said district having certified to this court their selection and the court deeming such election wise and to the benefit of said district.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

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Commissioners qualified 17.

Geo Jones

Clerk County Court, Harris Co., Texas
BY *Carl Dugoberty* Deputy

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Houston, Texas.

MONDAY MARCH 8th.A.D.1909.

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HARRIS. Be it remembered that on this the 8th.day of
march A.D.1909 the Commissioners Court convened in regular Monthly
Session: Present Hon A.E.Amermana, county Judge, Geo Kuhlman, Commissioner
Precinct No.1, John T.Hare commissioner Precinct No.2, J.W.Hall comm-
issioner Precinct No.3, Absent Theo zube commissioner Precinct No. 4,
When the following business was transacted and orders made and entered
of record to-wit:

Wednesday March 10th.A.D.1909.

Court met pursuant to adjournment. present Hon A.E.
Amerman, County Judge, Geo Kuhlman Commissioner Precinct No.1 John T.Hare
Commissioner Precinct No.2 J.W.Hall, commissioner Precinct No.3, End Theo
Zube commissioner Precinct No.4 When the following business was
transacted and orders made and entered of record to-wit:

Hon Commissioners Court of Harris County

Hon A.E.Amerman, County Judge Presiding, Houston,
Harris County, Texas Gentlemen:

Having been appointed Engineer for the second
Drainage District of Harris County, Texas known as Harris
County Drainage District as No.2 in accordance with section
20, Chapter 40 of the General Laws of Texas, I hereby beg to
submit my report and map.

I made a complete topographical map showing
contours of the ground of every foot of the entire District and
define the natural basins and water courses. The District
District is located in the southern part of the County with
Sims Bayou through the Northern District and Clerk Creek forms
the South Boundary.

The District contains 81580 acres a very fine and
fertile land not surpassed by any other section of the State
but at present suffers from a want of drainage.

The country is practically level and needs large
and deep ditches at frequent intervals to care for the rail-
fall. I have ^{made} the depth of all the ditches at least 4 feet deep
which lowers the ground water and gives good lateral drainage
all ditches are laid out so as to interfere as little as
possible with present improvements.

I have estimated a system of Drainage that will give
the desired results for \$200,000.00 being less than 1/6 part
of the assessed value of this District which is \$1,336,006.00
The construction of the proposed plan will give us a cost
of \$2.44 per acre. The detail cost being as follows

17 Lateral Ditches 4 ft. deep 4 ft. slope 1 to 1	
43 Drainage Canal 4 to 5 ft. deep 4 to 10 ft at base 1 to 1 slope	\$123,000.00
Cleaning out, deepening straightening Sims Bayou	20,000.00
Cleaning out, deepening straightening Clear Creek	27,000.00
Culverts R/W etc	10,000.00
Maintenance 3 years after which the ditches will clear themselves	5,000.00
Engineers, attorney/Commissioners Contingencies, etc	15,000.00
Total Cost	\$200,000.00

Attached is a map of the District and a copy of the

Field Notes describing the boundary lines and a list of the Ditches.

Very respectfully submitted,
 Geo F. Horton, Drainage Engineer

No. of Ditch Length of Ditch Width of Base Depth of ditch.

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1	17,000 ft	10 ft	5
1	20,000 "	8 "	5
1	22,000 "	6 "	5
2	13,000 "	6 "	5
3	4,000 "	8 "	5
3	7,500 "	6 "	5
4	12,000 "	18 "	5
4	9,000 "	4 "	4
4	4,000 "	8 "	5
5	12,000 "	6 "	5
5	10,000 "	4 "	4
5	10,000 "	12 "	5
6	8,000 "	10 "	5
6	11,000 "	6 "	5
7	13,500 "	8 "	5
7	13,000 "	6 "	4
8	19,000 "	4 "	5
9	21,000 "	6 "	5
10	13,000 "	6 "	4
11	8,500 "	4 "	4
12	4,500 "	4 "	4
13	7,500 "	6 "	5
13	7,000 "	4 "	4
14	3,500 "	4 "	4
15	7,500 "	4 "	4
16	9,000 "	4 "	4
17	8,000 "	4 "	4
18	7,000 "	4 "	4
19	10,000 "	4 "	4
20	10,000 "	4 "	4
21	12,000 "	4 "	4
22	6,000 "	4 "	4
23	11,000 "	4 "	4
24	12,000 "	4 "	4
25	11,000 "	4 "	4
26	5,000 "	4 "	4
27	8,500 "	4 "	4
28	6,500 "	4 "	4
29	4,500 "	4 "	4
30	1,500 "	4 "	4
31	10,500 "	4 "	4
32	3,500 "	4 "	4
33	7,000 "	4 "	4
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37	11,000 "	4 "	4
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39	12,000 "	4 "	4
40	10,500 "	4 "	4
41	9,000 "	4 "	4
42	6,000 "	4 "	4
43	14,500 "	4 "	4
A	6,500 "	4 "	4
B	6,000 "	4 "	4
C	6,500 "	4 "	4
D	4,000 "	4 "	4
E	5,000 "	4 "	4
F	3,000 "	4 "	4
G	8,500 "	4 "	4
H	4,000 "	4 "	4
I	4,000 "	4 "	4
J	6,500 "	4 "	4
K	13,000 "	4 "	4
L	3,500 "	4 "	4
	5,500 "	4 "	4

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M	5,500	ft	4	ft	4	ft
N	7,000	"	4	"	4	"
O	11,000	"	4	"	4	"
P	10,000	"	4	"	4	"
G	5,500	"	4	"	4	"

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Cleaning Clear Creek 140,000 ft
 Cleaning Sims Bayou 87,000 feet.

Field Notes of Drainage District No. 2.

Known as the Alameda Drainage District of Harris
 County, Tex.

Beginning at Mile post 28, a common corner of Brazoria Fort Bend, and Harris County, Thence N. 61° 30' West 46,040 feet thence East along the south line of Sec. No. 4 H T & B.R.R. Survey 4800 feet, thence North along the East line of Sec. 4 ~~to~~ to the North line of Sec 3 H T & B R R Co survey 2500 feet, thence East along the North line of Sec. 3 H. T & B.R.R. Co. 2550 feet and continuing to a point on the East line of District No.1, at Station 1654 the distance of 3825 feet in all, thence North 86° 45' East 14000 feet to a point, the N.W. corner of the Geo Allen survey thence North 89° 30' East 8100 feet along the North line og the Geo Allen survey to the S.P.Ry R of Way fence, thence N. 67° 30' E.8600 feetm thence North 73° 30' East 11, 900 feet to the junction of the I G N. R R and the G H.H.R.R. thence along the S.P. Right of Way Fence N.73° 30' East 19,600 feet, thence North 56° East 6000 feet to the N.W.corner of the Henry B. Prentiss survey, thence East 17,000 feet to the east fence line of the G.H. & H.R.R. thence south 38° 30' East 88000 feet to Clear Creek, thence with the meanders of Clear Creek to the point of the beginning containing 81,584 acres of land.

FILED Mar 8, 1909 Geo Jones, Clrk County Court, Harris Co., Texas.

By H.L. Washburn, Deputy.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS

I, Geo Jones, Clerk County Court and ex-officio
Clerk of the Commissioners Court in and for Harris County, Texas, do hereby
certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of
the Report of the Engineer, Geo F. Horton in the matter of the Almeda
Drainage District No. 2 as the same appears of record in Vol. 0 page
523. Commissioners Minutes.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the
16th. day of March A.D. 1909.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court & Ex-officio Clerk of
the Commissioners Court in and for Harris
County, Texas.

BY Cecil Dougherty Deputy.

MONDAY MARCH 8th A.D.1909.

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HARRIS.

Be it remembered that on this the 8th day of March A.D.1909 the Commissioner's Court convened in Regular Monthly Session; Present Hon A.E. Amerman County Judge, Geo Kuhlman, Commissioner Precinct No.1; John T Hare Commissioner Precinct Precinct No.2 J.W.Hall Commissioner Precinct No.3 Absent Theo Zybe, Commissioner Precinct No.4, when the following business was transacted and orders made and entered of record to-wit:

Wednesday March 10th. A.D.1909.

Court met pursuant to adjournment, Present A.E. Amerman County Judge, Geo Kuhlman, Commissioner Precinct No.1 John T.Hare, Commissioner Precinct No. 2 J.W Hall, Commissioner Precinct No.3, and Theo zube Commissioner Precinct No.4 when the following business was transacted and orders made and entered of record, to-wit:

AN ORDER:

IT IS HEREBY ordered by the County Commissioner's Court of Harris County, Texas;

Sec.1 That the reports of the Drainage Engineer for Harris County Drainage District No.2, George F.Horton, together with the map and profile filed with the Clerk of this Court as to the drainage improvements for said District be, and the same are hereby approved.

Sec. 2: That the bonds of Harris County Drainage District No.2, in the amount of \$200,000. be ~~ax~~ issued in accordance with Chapter 40 of the General Laws of the State of Texas passed by the 30th.Legislature and approved March23rd. 1907, and the Amendments thereto.

Sec. 3; That said bonds shall bear dates____1909 shall be of the denomination of \$1,000 and numbered from 1 to 200 inclusive and shall bear interest at the rate of 5% per annum payable semi annually on the ____ days of ____ and ____ of each year until the principal sum shall be paid. Said bonds shall become due and payable thirty years from date, and shall be redeemable at the option of said District after twenty years Or, said bonds shall become due and payable as follows: \$40,000 ten years from date, \$40,000 fifteen years from date \$40,000 twenty years from date, \$40,000 twenty five years from date and \$40,000 thirty years from date. The principal and interest shall be payable at the Hanover National Bank, City and State of New York.

Sec.4 That said bonds shall be in form and shall contain recitals substantially as follows: subject to changes prior to the issuance and approval thereof, and their registration by the Comptroller.

"No.____ UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. \$1,000.00
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS
DRAINAGE DISTRICT BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT HARRIS COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT no. 2 in the State of Texas, is indebted to, and promises to pay the bearer the sum of One Thousand Dollars, lawful money of the United states of America on the __ day of ____ A.D.190__ with interest thereon at the rate of five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually on the __ day of ____ and ____ of each year upon the presentation and delivery of the proper coupons hereunto annexed, signed by the fac-simile signatures of the County Judge and County Clerk of Harris County, Texas.

Both principal and interest of this bond are payable at the Hanover National Bank, City and State of New York, and all the real and personal property of said Harris County Drainage District No.2 are hereby irrevocably pledged for the prompt payment of this bond and the interest thereon as the same mature.

Harris County Drainage District No.2 reserves the right to redeem this series of bonds at any time after twenty years from date in their numerical order commencing with Bond No.1, at any interest paying time by giving six month's written notice of its intention so to do by registered mail to the said Hanover National Bank, City and State of New York, and should this bond when so called in for redemption be not presented for payment, it shall then and thereafter cease to bear interest from such date.

This bond is one of a series of bond of like date, and tenor, issued for the purpose of paying the cost and expenses of the construction of certain improvements in Harris County Drainage District No.2, and by authority of Chapter 40 of the General Laws of the State of Texas passed by the 30th. Legislature of the State of Texas entitled "An Act to authorize the Commissioners Court of the several counties of Texas to create and establish Drainage Districts, to construct canals, drains and ditches, to make levees, improve ~~xxx~~ streams and water courses, and make other improvements for the purpose of drainage, to order and hold elections for the purpose of voting on drainage propositions, and authorize the issuance of bonds and levy of tax and to issue bonds in payment for such drainage improvements and the maintenance thereof, and to levy and collect taxes for the payment of such bonds, to appoint drainage commissioners and all other necessary officers of such drainage Districts for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this Act, granting the right to eminent domain to such drainage Districts and authorizing the Drainage Commissioners to acquire by purchase, gift, or grant, for such district, title to any right of way and other property, and generally authorizing the County Commissioner's Court and the Drainage Commissioners to do all things necessary for the establishment and maintenance of such Districts, according to the provisions of this Act.

repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency" and also such act or acts amendatory thereto and thereof; and also in strict conformity to the constitution and laws of the state of Texas. Also by authority of more than a two thirds vote of the qualified tax paying voters living within said Drainage District, and in pursuance of an order passed by the said County Commissioner's ~~County~~ Court of Harris County, Texas on the ___ day of ___ 1909. And it is hereby declared and certified that all acts, conditions and things required to be done and to exist precedent to and in the making of, said improvements and levying of said tax and issuing of this bond have been properly done, happened and performed, and do exist in regular and due form as required by the constitution and laws of Texas, and that the total amount of bonds issued on account of said improvements does not exceed any statutory or Constitutional limitation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said County Commissioner's Court of Harris County, Texas, has caused the seal of the County Commissioner's Court to be hereunto affixed, and this bond to be signed by the County Judge, and attested by the County Clerk of said County and the coupons hereunto annexed, signed with the fac-simile signatures of the County Judge and the County Clerk as of the ___ day of _____ 1909.

Attest _____
County Judge of Harris County, Texas.

GEO JONES
Clerk of County Court, Harris County, Texas.

NO _____ COUPON. _____ 190 _____
On the - day of - 19 -
HARRIS COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 2:

will pay the bearer at Hanover National Bank, City and State of New York, the sum of _____ Dollars lawful money of the United States being the semi annual interest due on its Drainage District bond, dated _____ 1909.

_____ County Judge
_____ County Clerk

Sec.5. It is further ordered by said County Commissioner's Court that to pay the interest on said bonds as the same accrues and falls due and to create an additional amount to be annually placed in a sinking fund sufficient to discharge and redeem said bonds at their maturity, improvement~~s~~ taxes of \$1.35 on the One Hundred dollar valuation upon all property within said Harris County Drainage District No.2, whether real, personal mixed or otherwise, be and the same is hereby levied for the year 1909, and shall be assessed and collected for said year, and sufficient taxes for such purposes for each succeeding year hereafter while said bonds are outstanding and unpaid, shall be annually levied, assessed and collected and such taxes, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, shall be applied to the purposes herein named.

Sec.6. IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, and the County Judge and the Clerk are hereby authorized to procure for the use of the Assessor and Collector of Taxes of Harris County, Texas all necessary additional books for their use in the assessing and collecting of said improvement taxes hereby levied and to be hereafter levied in and for said Drainage District and the Clerk of this Court is hereby directed to officially notify the Assessor of Harris County by furnishing to him a certified copy of this Order and which shall be his authority for making the assessment herein ordered.

Sec.7 The taxes herein levied shall be, and become due and payable at the same time as the State and County Taxes are due and payable

Sec.8 The County Judge is hereby directed to have said bonds prepared according to the terms of this Order and he and the County Clerk to properly execute same by signing and affixing the Seal thereto, and the County Judge is authorized and directed to take charge of said bonds upon their registration by the State Comptroller, and to proceed to negotiate their sale, receiving the money in payment therefor as the Agent of Harris County Drainage District No.2, and the proceeds thereof shall be turned over to the Treasurer or said District and placed to the credit of said Harris County Drainage District No.2 All as provided

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OFFICE OF
STATE AND COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR
HARRIS COUNTY

A. R. MILLER, ASSESSOR
J. M. HEISER, CHIEF CLERK

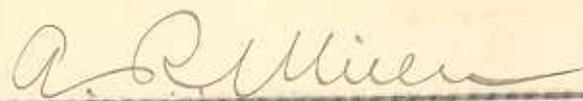
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HOUSTON, TEXAS, _____ 190__

I the undersigned, Tax Assessor in and for Harris county, Texas, hereby certify that the assessed valuations of the assessable property within Harris County Drainage District No.2, (known as the Alameda District) for the year 1908 is and was \$1,336,006.00 of which amount \$13,360.00 is upon personal property, and \$1,312,646.00 is upon real property.


Tax Assessor Harris County, Tex.

State of Texas,

Harris County.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

75th day of March 1909.

"Seal"


Notary Public, Harris County, Texas.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, GEO JONES, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court in and for Harris County, Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Order made and passed ^{on Feb 10 1909} by the Hon. Commissioners Court in the matter of Drainage District No. 2 ^{and authorizing issuance of bonds therefor} as the same appears of file in my office ^{and record in H.C. pages 526-7-8-}

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the
17th. day of March A.D. 1909.

GEO JONES
Clerk County Court & Ex-officio Clerk of
Commissioners Court, Harris County, Texas.
BY *Cecil Dougherty* Deputy.

STATE OF TEXAS
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We A.R. Amerman, County Judge of Harris County and
presiding officer of the Commissioners Court thereof and Geo Jones,
Clrk of the County Court and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court
do hereby certify that the issue of bonds to-wit: \$200,000.00
Dollars referred to by order embraced in the Transcript of the record
of Harris County Drainage District No. Two the copy of which
order was written and embraced in said transcript prior to this date
and more particularly referred to as being an order recorded in Vol. 0
pages 54 & 55 of Commissioners Minutes of Harris County, Texas is the
sole and only issue of Bonds that has been made on account of
aforesaid Drainage District up to and inclusive of the date of this
certificate.

Witness our hands and seal of office on this the
26th. day of March A.D. 1909.

J. E. Amerman
County Judge of Harris County, Texas.

Geo Jones
Clerk County Court in and for Harris
County, Texas & Ex-officio Clerk of
the Commissioners Court.

AN ORDER.

Order amending the order entered by this Court on the 10th. day of March 1909 providing for the issuance of \$200,000.00 of bonds of Harris County Drainage District No.2, prescribing the form of said bonds and providing for the levy and collection of a tax to pay the interest on said bonds and create a sinking fund to discharge and redeem the principal thereof at maturity.

It is ordered by the County Commissioner's Court of Harris County, Texas as follows:

Section 1. That the issue of \$200,000.00 of bonds of the Harris County Drainage District No.2 provided for by the order of this Court made and entered on March 10, 1909 shall become due and payable as follows:

Bonds numbered No.1 to No. 40 inclusive \$40,000.00 shall become due and payable in ten years from their date bonds numbered No.41 to No.80 inclusive, \$40,000.00 shall become due and payable fifteen years from their date; bonds numbered No.81 to No. 120 \$40,000. shall become due and payable twenty years from their date, bonds numbered No.121 to No.160 inclusive \$40,000.00 shall become due and payable twenty five years from their date, bonds numbered No.161 to No. 200 inclusive, \$40,000.00 shall become due and payable thirty years from their date.

Section 2. That said bonds shall be in the form and shall contain recitals substantially as follows:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS
No. _____ DRAINAGE DISTRICT BOND: \$1,000.00

~~KNOW~~ ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that Harris County Drainage District No.2 in the State of Texas, is indebted to, and promises to pay the bearer the sum of One Thousand Dollars, lawful money of the United States of America on the ___ day of _____ A D.19____ with interest thereon at the rate of five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually on the _____ day of _____ and _____ of each year until the principal sum shall be paid, upon the presentation and surrender of the proper coupons hereto annexed, signed by the fac-simile signatures of the County Judge and County Clerk of Harris County, Texas. Both principal and interest of this bond are payable at the Hanover National Bank, City and State of New York, and all the taxable real and personal

property in said District is hereby irrevocably pledged for the prompt payment of this bond and the interest thereon as the same matures.

This bond is one of a series of bonds of like ^{date} and tenor issued for the purpose of paying the cost and expense of the construction of certain drainage improvements in said Harris County Drainage District No.2, by authority of Chapter 40 of the General Laws of the State of Texas passed by the 30th. Legislature of said State entitled "An Act to authorize the Commissioners Courts of the several counties of Texas to create and establish Drainage Districts, to construct canals, drains and ditches to make levees, improve streams and water courses, and make other improvements for the purpose of drainage to order and hold elections for the purpose of voting on drainage propositions ~~for the purpose of voting on drainage~~ and authorize the issuance of bonds and levy of tax and to issue bonds in payment for such drainage improvements and the maintenance thereof, and to levy and collect taxes for the payment of such bonds, to appoint drainage commissioners and all other necessary officers of such drainage Districts for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this Act; granting the right of eminent domain to such drainage Districts and authorizing the Drainage Commissioners to acquire by purchase, gift or grant, for such District, title to any right of way and other property and generally authorizing the County Commissioner's Court and the Drainage ~~District~~ Commissioners to do all things necessary for the establishing and maintenance of such Districts, according to the provisions of this Act, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency" and amendments thereof, and in strict conformity to the provisions of the constitution and laws of the State of Texas. Also by authority of more than two thirds vote of the qualified resident tax paying voters of said Drainage District and in pursuance of orders duly made and entered by the said County Commissioners Court. And it is hereby declared and certified that provision has been made by said County Commissioners Court for the levy and collection of taxes annually, sufficient to pay the interest upon this bond and to provide a sinking fund to discharge and redeem the

principal thereof at maturity, as required by the constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and that all other acts, conditions and things required to be done and to exist precedent to and in the making of said improvements and the levying of said taxes and the issuance of this bond and others of the same series have been properly done, happened and performed and do exist in regular and due form, time and manners as required by the constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and that the total amount of bonds issued or other indebtedness incurred on account of said improvements does not exceed any statutory or constitutional limitation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said County Commissioner's Court of Harris County, Texas has caused the seal of the County Commissioners Court to be hereunto affixed, and this bond to be signed by the County Judge and attested by the County Clerk of said County and the coupons hereunto annexed, signed with the fac-simile signatures of the County Judge and the County Clerk, as of the 1st. day of May 1909.
ATTEST.

County Judge of Harris County, Texas.

Clerk of County Court, Harris County, Texas.

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HARRIS COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO 2.

will pay the bearer at Hanover National Bank, City and State of New York, the sum of Dollars lawful money of the United States, being the interest due on its Drainage District bond dated _____ 1909.

EO _____

County Judge

County Clerk.

Section 3. It is further ordered by said County Commissioners Court that to pay the interest on said bonds as the same accrues, and to create an additional amount to be annually placed in a sinking fund sufficient to discharge and redeem said bonds at their maturity, there shall be levied and assessed against all of the taxable property real, personal, mixed or otherwise within said drainage District for each of the years 1909 to 1938 inclusive improvement taxes sufficient to produce in each of said several years the amounts respectively following, to-wit: In each of the years 1909 to 1918 inclusive the sum of \$14,000.00

In each of the years 1919 to 1923 inclusive, the sum of \$16,000.00

In each of the years 1924 to 1928, inclusive the sum of \$14,000.00

In each of the years 1929 to 1933 inclusive the sum of \$12,000.00

In each of the years 1934 to 1938 inclusive the sum of \$10,000.

And said taxes are hereby levied for the year 1909 and for each year thereafter to and including the year 1938. The said levy heretofore made by order of this Court on the 10th day of March 1909 of one Dollar and thirty five cents on the One Hundred Dollars assessed valuation is hereby amended and made to be one Dollar and ten cents on the One Hundred Dollars assessed valuation, as assessed for the year 1908 upon all property in said District, and said taxes shall be assessed and collected as provided by law and shall be preserved as a separate fund for the payment of said interest and the redemption of the principal of said bonds and for no other purpose until the said interest and principal shall be fully provided for.

Section No. 4. The County Judge is hereby directed to have said bonds prepared according to the terms of this order and the County Clerk to properly execute the same by signing and affixing the seal of the Court thereto and that ~~before~~ before said bonds are negotiated the County Clerk shall make a proper record thereof, as provided by law, and shall endorse upon each bond his certificate of such record and said bonds shall also be submitted to the Attorney General of the State of Texas with the necessary transcripts and certificates for his approval, and upon his approval of said bonds they shall be registered by the State Comptroller who shall endorse thereon his certificate, as required by law, and said bonds when so registered, approved and certified, shall be delivered to the purchaser ~~by~~ thereof by the

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County judges as provided by law, on payment for same by said purchasers to said County Judge of Harris County.

Section No.5 That the provisions of said order of March 10 1909, in so far as the same are in conflict with the provisions of this order be and the same are hereby rescinded; that all orders and proceedings heretofore had in connection with the issuance of said bonds, except where the same are in conflict herewith shall be and remain in full force and effect.

Witness my hands on this April 12th. A.D. 1909.

A.E. Amerman County Judge

Geo Kuhlman, Commissioner Precinct #1

J.T. Hare Commissioner Precinct No. 2

J.W. Hall Commissioner Precinct No. 3

Theo Zube, Commissioner Precinct No. 4

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HARRIS.

Be it rememberes that on this the 12th. day of April A.D.1909 the Commissioners Court convened in regular Session Present; A.E.Amermna, County Judge, Geo Kuhlman, Commissioner Precinct No.1, John T.Hare Commissioner Precinct No.2, J.W.Hall, Commissioner Precinct No.3, and theo Zube, Commissioner Precinct No.4 for the purpose of prescribing a form of Bond for Harris County Drainage District No.1 and levy of tax to provide for interest and sinking Fund and such other orders in connection therewith as may be necessary and for the purpose of prescribing a form of Bond for Harris County Drainage District No.2 ad levy of Tax to provide for interest and sinking Fund and such other orders in connection therewith as may be necessary and for such other business as customarily comes before the court at its regular monthly session.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HARRIS.

I, Geo Jones, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court in and for Harris County, Texas do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an order made by the Commissioners Court at a special session called for that purpose, all members being present on April 12th. A.D.1909 relating to the form and substance of bonds to be issued for Harris County Drainage District No.2 and providing for sinking funds and tax levy etc. as the same appears of file in my office duly signed by the County Judge and all the members of said Court and same will appear of record in the Commissioners Minutes in Vol.0 page _____

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 12th day of April A.D.1909.

Geo Jones
Clk County Court, Harris Co., Texas.

BY

Charles C. Daugherty
deputy.