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## Media Alert

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### **A New Community Center Is Coming to Judson Robinson, Sr., Park**

The Houston Parks and Recreation Department, Houston Mayor Annise Parker, and District B Council Member Jerry Davis will join residents of the Pleasantville neighborhood on Saturday, December 5, 2015, to break ground for a brand new community center building at Judson Robinson, Sr., Park.

**WHO:** Joe Turner, Director, Houston Parks and Recreation Department  
Annise Parker, Mayor, City of Houston  
Jerry Davis, Council Member, District B  
Archbishop Thomas Wallace, New Oasis Kingdom Assembly  
Bridgette Murray, President, Pleasantville Area Super Neighborhood Council  
Judson Robinson III, President and C.E.O., Houston Area Urban League

**WHAT:** Groundbreaking for Judson Robinson, Sr., Community Center

**WHEN:** Saturday, December 5, 2015  
11:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** Judson Robinson, Sr., Park  
1422 Ledwicke  
Houston, TX 77029

The scope of work includes: Construction of a new 12,800 square foot community center with a full sized gym, a large classroom that can be divided into two rooms, lobby, kitchen, restrooms, computer room, storage, and mechanical room. Site work improvements will include grading, drainage, detention, sidewalks, parking lot, refurbishment of the basketball pavilion, a new playground, landscaping and irrigation, and a football field. Once completed, the existing community center will be demolished and more parking added. The overall parking count will go from 31 to 118 spaces. Project cost for the Judson Robinson, Sr., Community Center and Park is \$5,217,000.00, including design, construction, contingency, civic art, construction inspection, and materials testing. Notice to proceed will be issued in spring 2016 with final completion in late summer 2017.

Harrison Kornberg is the design consultant. Daniel Kornberg is the principle architect and Carolina Jaramillo will oversee project management for Harrison Kornberg. Construction bids will be received in early January. The project manager for the General Services Department is Chip Perry. H.P.A.R.D. will work with the Houston Arts Alliance to include an art element. Special thanks go out to the Pleasantville Area Super Neighborhood for their help with planning this project.

***About the Houston Parks and Recreation Department***

*The Houston Parks and Recreation Department (H.P.A.R.D.) stewards and manages over 37,859 acres of parkland and greenspace for the City of Houston and develops and implements recreational programming for citizens of all abilities. For more information on the Houston Parks and Recreation Department, call (832) 395-7022 or visit [www.houstontx.gov/parks](http://www.houstontx.gov/parks).*