PRELIMINARY REPORT

U-1: Ellington Bypass

APPLICANT: City of Houston

LAMBERT: 5851, 5951 PRECINCT: Harris County Pct. 2

JURISDICTION: City of Houston DISTRICT: E

PROPOSAL:

The City of Houston is requesting the addition of Ellington Blvd., from Galveston Road to IH-45, as a major thoroughfare (MJ-4-100) to the Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan (MTFP).

APPLICANT'S JUSTIFICATION and HISTORY:

Ellington Road, between Old Galveston Road and I45, is not an existing road and is not on the MTFP. In 2003, a segment of Ellington Road, from Space Center Boulevard to Old Galveston Road, was added to the MTFP as a major thoroughfare. The proposed extension of Ellington Road, from Old Galveston Road to I45, will require ROW to be obtained.

Approximately 250 acres of undeveloped land surround the southeast Ellington Field property boundary. The City of Houston's request to add Ellington Road, from Old Galveston Road to I45, will extend the previously approved segment of Ellington and provide future direct connection between two thoroughfares and a freeway: Space Center Boulevard, Old Galveston Road and IH-45 respectively. This amendment was requested by City of Houston (COH) and Houston Airport Systems (HAS) to reserve sufficient right-of-way (ROW) to accommodate future plans for Ellington Airport and the Houston Spaceport.

