



CITY OF DALLAS

March 1, 2006

Mr. Avi Adelman
P.O. Box 140396
Dallas, TX 75206

Dear Mr. Adelman:

Councilmember Angela Hunt forwarded your request for a 4-way stop at Belmont Avenue and Matilda Street to the Department of Public Works and Transportation for response. We have completed an appropriate study at this location. The study reveals that the minimum criteria cited for the installation of an All-Way Stop are not met. However, since this location is in a residential area, it is eligible for further consideration under the provisions of the City of Dallas Policy on All-Way Stops for Residential Streets. This policy allows for the installation of an All-Way Stop when all of the following criteria are met.

1. The intersection must be in a residential area, either single family or multi-family or a mix of both.
2. The requested new stop must not be on a designated City of Dallas thoroughfare.
3. The requested new stop must not be on a Fire Department emergency response route.
4. Traffic volume at the requested new stop approach must be fewer than 6,000 vehicles per day.
5. A petition must be submitted showing support for the All-Way Stop installation from at least two-thirds of the residents living within a 900 foot radius of the intersection.

Your requested stop location does not meet one of these criteria; Matilda is on a Fire Department emergency response route. However, the policy does provide for an appeal from these criteria to the City Plan Commission and the City Council. To appeal, you must submit a completed petition for the stop along with a written request for the appeal. A petition form and a map showing the valid petition area are enclosed. When you have completed the petition, please return it and the map with the request letter to the address on the petition form for processing of the appeal. **Please note, that the Fire Department will attend the appeal hearing to state their opposition. Dallas Fire Department statistics show that ambulance, paramedic, and fire response is delayed at least 30 seconds per stop sign encountered on their emergency routes.**

We appreciate your concern for traffic safety and efficiency. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Mohamed Bah, of our Transportation Engineering staff, at (214) 670-4471.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth A. Ramirez, P.E.
Assistant Director
Public Works and Transportation

EAR/MB/cjswd2444
06-00031589

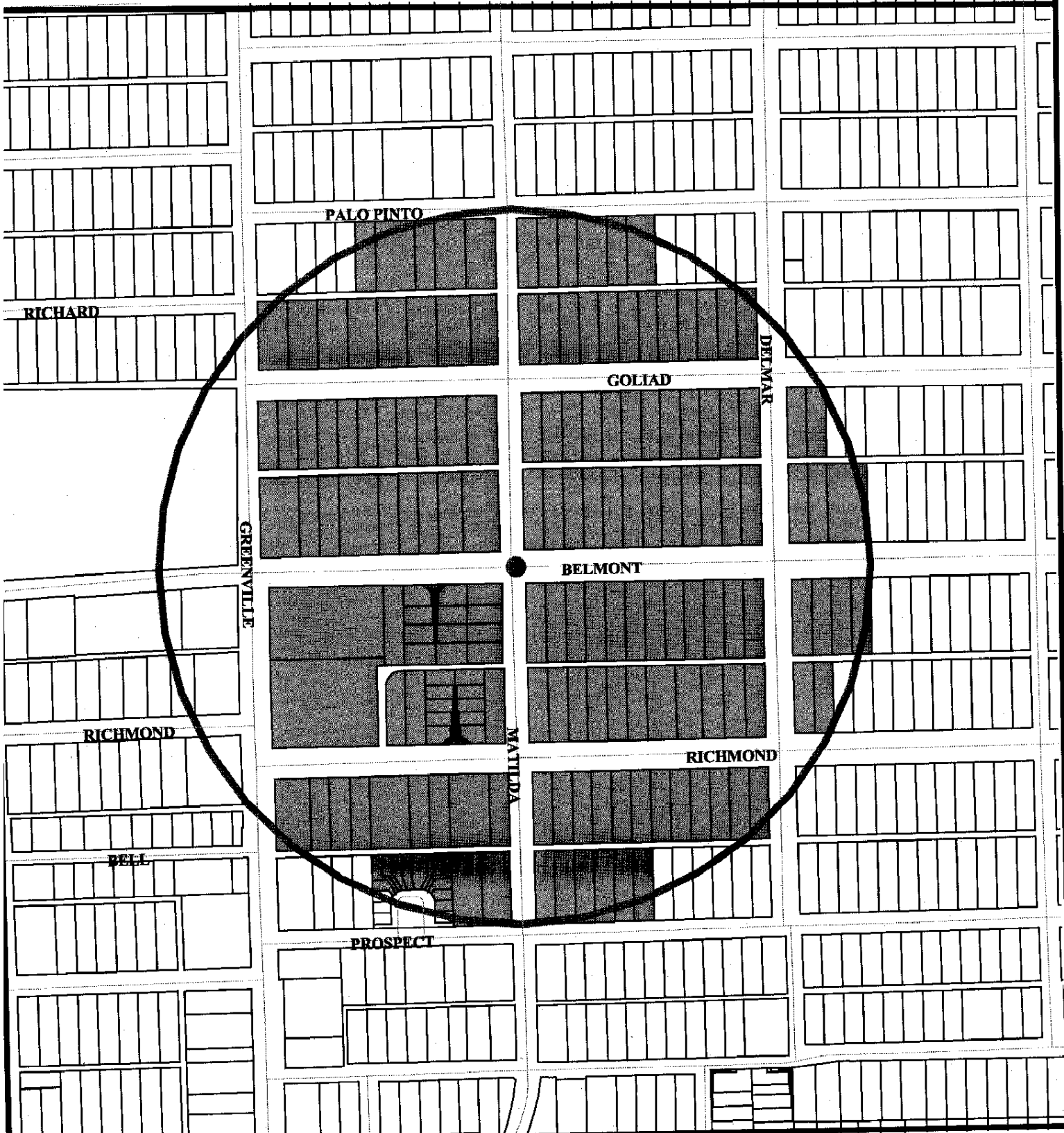
c: Angela Hunt, Councilmember

Enclosures

CITY OF DALLAS PETITION MAP

CASE #: SR#

CASE LOCATION: Belmont Avenue and Matilda St



0 200 400 600 Feet

City of Dallas
Public Works and Transportation
Transportation Engineering
1500 Marilla Street, L1-BN Dallas, Texas
Phone: (214) - 670-3260 Fax: (214) - 670-3292

02/28/2006



The circle indicates a 900' radius from the center point of the following location: Belmont Avenue and Matilda St
The shaded area indicates the properties within the 900' circle that are eligible to sign the attached petition.

NOTE: Signatures outside the shaded area will not be counted.