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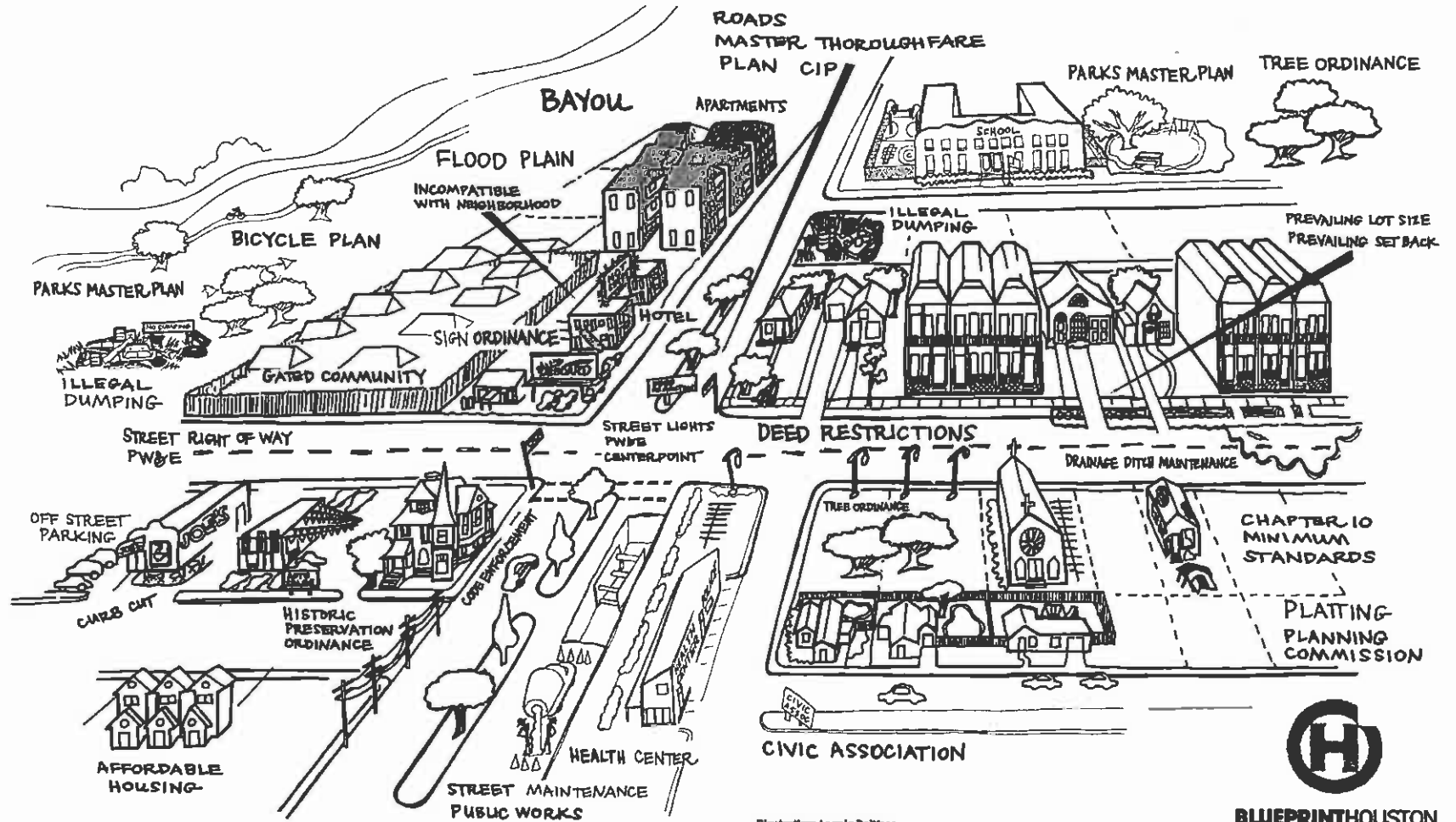
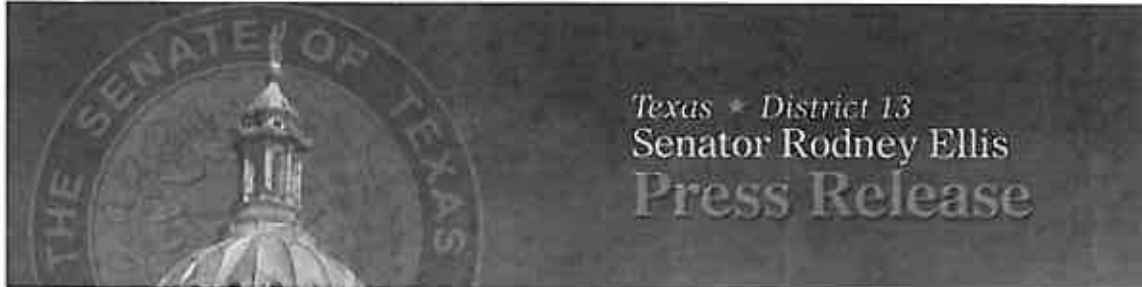


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**THIS LETTER IS FROM SENATE RODNEY ELLIS TO TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE CONCERNING THE VOTER ID UPDATE. IN SUMMARY, SENATOR ELLIS IS SAYING THAT VOTER ID REQUIRMENTS ARE NOT IN PLACE FOR THE 2012 PRIMARY. THEREFORE, YOU MAY USE THE SAME DOCUMENTS THAT YOU'VE USED IN THE PAST TO VOTE. NO PHOTO ID IS REQUIRED!**



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**Ellis Asks Texas Secretary of State to Notify Public on Voter Requirements for Primaries**  
*Senator Rodney Ellis (D-Houston) today sent the following letter to Texas Secretary of State Hope Andrade asking her office to reach out to the public and voting officials and explain that Voter ID requirements are not in place for the 2012 primary and run-off elections.*

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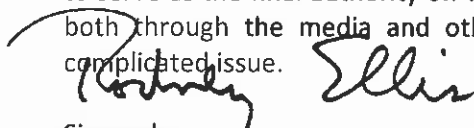
The Honorable Hope Andrade  
Texas Secretary of State  
Texas Capitol, Room 1E.8  
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Secretary Andrade:

After receiving calls from constituents seeking clarification, I write to ask you to use your position to reach out to the public to make clear that the photo identification requirements of S.B. 14 (82R) are not currently in place and will not be enforced during the upcoming May 29 primary elections.

As you know, with the litigation surrounding S.B. 14 winding its way through the judicial process, this has led to a great deal of press coverage. Unfortunately, the increased media coverage often fails to clarify with complete certainty that Texas' primary elections will continue to operate under the law as it existed prior to S.B. 14's changes.

The Secretary of State serves as the chief election officer of Texas, and as such, you have a unique ability to serve as the final authority on what laws govern our elections. I urge you to reach out to the public, both through the media and otherwise, and make clear what has become confusing and overly-complicated issue.

  
Sincerely,  
Rodney Ellis  
CC: Texas Senate

**REMEMBER TO VOTE IN THE 2012 PRIMARIES**