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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT

- 2 relating to the board of directors and the powers and duties of the
- 3 Westchase Area Management District.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 376.050, Local Government Code, is 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 376.050. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS; VACANCY. The
- 8 mayor and members of the governing body of the municipality shall
- 9 appoint directors from persons recommended by the board. A vacancy
- 10 in the office of director because of the death, resignation, or
- 11 removal of a director shall be filled by the remaining members of
- 12 the board by appointing a qualified person for the unexpired term.
- 13 The mayor and members of the governing body of the municipality
- 14 shall consider for appointment [appoint] as directors [for the
- 15 positions indicated] persons representing the following interests:
- (1) [positions 1, 11, and 12 must represent] owners of
- 17 multifamily rental housing with a minimum of 200 rental units;
- 18 (2) <u>lessees [position 2 must be a lessee]</u> of office
- 19 space of at least 30,000 square feet of rentable area;
- 20 (3) [positions 9 and 10 must represent] owners of
- 21 office facilities with a minimum of 500 employees or taxable value
- 22 in excess of \$10 million;
- 23 (4) [positions 8, 13, and 14 must represent] owners of
- 24 multitenant office buildings;

- 1 (5) [position 15 must represent] owners of multitenant
- 2 retail property or major retail tenants [of 20,000 square feet or
- 3 more];
- 4 (6) [position 16 must represent] owners of temporary
- 5 lodging facilities with on-site food service;
- 6 (7) [position 17 must represent] owners of undeveloped
- 7 property with a contiguous area of 5 acres or more; and
- 8 (8) [positions 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 must represent the
- 9 district at large and any other person qualified to serve on the
- 10 board as provided by Section 375.063 to represent the district at
- 11 large [may be appointed for those positions].
- 12 SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 376, Local Government
- 13 Code, is amended by adding Sections 376.066 and 376.067 to read as
- 14 follows:
- Sec. 376.066. TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES. (a) The
- 16 district may solicit, market, or otherwise promote and secure
- 17 telecommunications services in the district.
- 18 (b) The district may form a partnership with
- 19 telecommunication companies to provide a telecommunications
- 20 service under this section.
- 21 (c) A facility used to provide a telecommunications service
- 22 under this section must be:
- (1) owned and operated by a private entity; or
- 24 (2) leased to a private entity.
- 25 Sec. 376.067. CONFERENCE AND CONVOCATION CENTERS. The
- 26 district may finance, acquire, lease as a lessor or lessee,
- 27 construct, improve, operate, or maintain conference and

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- 1 convocation centers and supporting facilities. The district may
- 2 enter into a long-term operating agreement with any person for the
- 3 center or facility.
- 4 SECTION 3. (a) The legislature validates and confirms all
- 5 governmental acts and proceedings of the Westchase Area Management
- 6 District and the district's board of directors that occurred before
- 7 the effective date of this Act.
- 8 (b) This section does not apply to any matter that on the
- 9 effective date of this Act:
- 10 (1) is involved in litigation, if the litigation
- 11 ultimately results in the matter being held invalid by a final
- 12 judgment of a court with jurisdiction; or
- 13 (2) has been held invalid by a court with
- 14 jurisdiction.
- 15 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 19 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.