

RELATIONS WITH GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

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**Federal Level  
Lobbyists**

The District shall report to the Office of Federal-State Relations any contract between the District and a federal-level government relations consultant, unless the consultant is required by other law to disclose, report, and make the required information available to the public and a federal or state entity.

The District shall submit one report not later than the 30th day after the contract is executed and a second report not later than the 30th day after the contract is terminated.

The report must include the items listed at Government Code 751.016(b).

*Gov't Code 751.016*

**Municipal  
Annexation**

A municipality that proposes to annex an area shall provide written notice to each school district located in the area proposed for annexation within the period prescribed for publishing the notice of the first annexation hearing.

The notice shall contain a description of:

1. The area within the District proposed for annexation;
2. Any financial impact on the District resulting from the annexation, including any changes in utility costs; and
3. Any proposal the municipality has to abate, reduce, or limit any financial impact on the District.

A municipality that annexed any portion of an area after December 1, 1996, and before September 1, 1999, in which the District has a facility shall grant a variance from the municipality's building code for that facility if the facility does not comply with the code.

A municipality that, as a result of the annexation, provides utility services to a District facility may charge the District for utility services at:

1. The same rate that the District was paying before the annexation; or
2. A lower municipal rate.

The rate is effective until the first day of the District's fiscal year that begins after the 90th day after the effective date of the annexation.

*Local Gov't Code 43.905*

**Municipal  
Ordinances**

A home rule city may enforce its reasonable land development regulations and ordinances against the District for the purposes of aesthetics and the maintenance of property values. *Tex. Att'y Gen. Op. GA-697 (2008)*