



**FARMERS BRANCH**  
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# Vacant Building Ordinance

City Council | August 5, 2025

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Requested By: Councilman Roger Neal



# Background

Current Vacant Building Registrations: 14

A building is considered vacant when all activity appears to have ceased for more than 150 days.

Ordinance 3884 was amended and approved by the Council on August 20, 2024.

Changes included the Plan of Action, the Sketch of the property, insurance, and up-to-date property taxes.

April Study Session: direction to raise registration fee and have quarterly inspections with a fee.

# Proposed

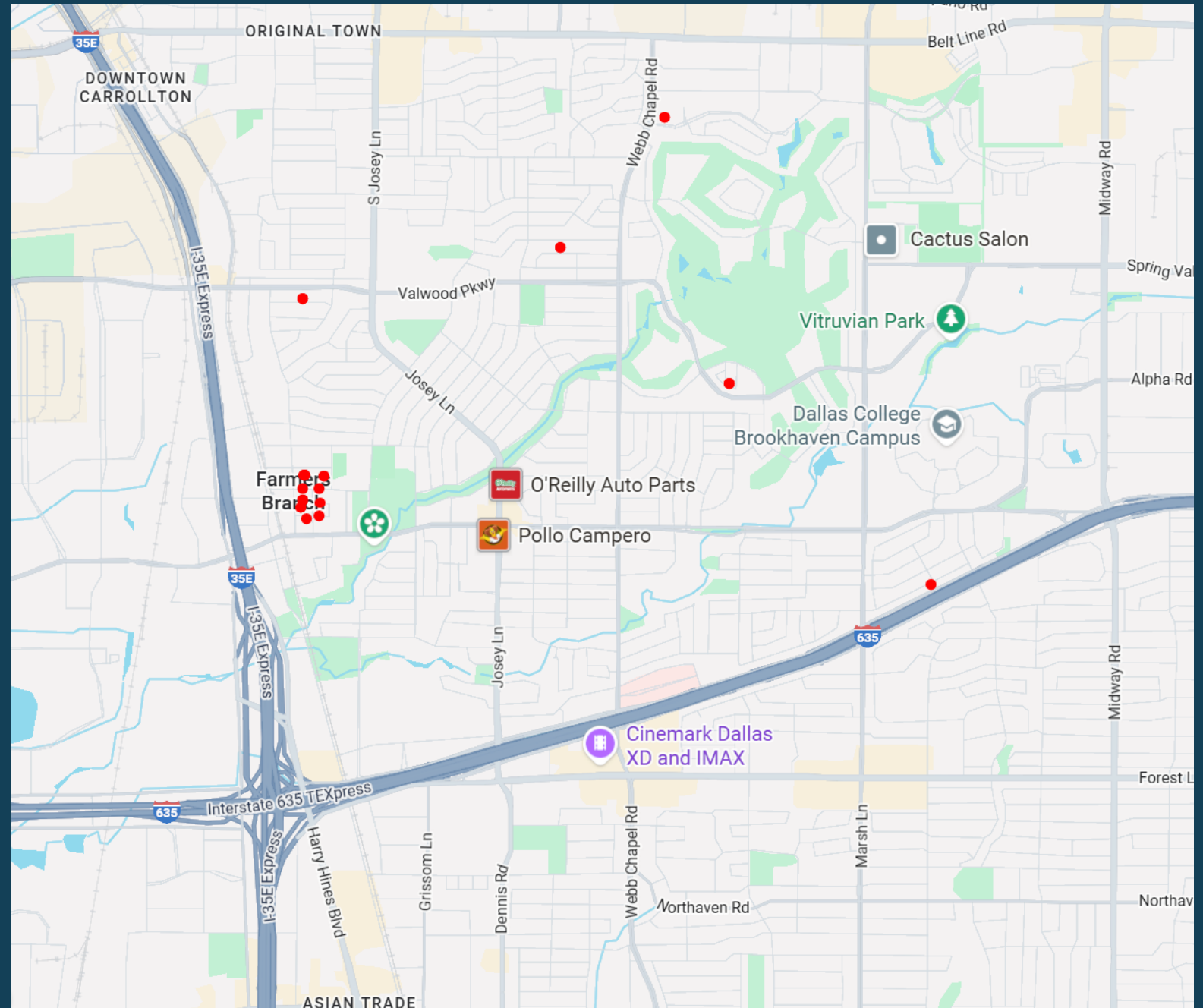
## Increased Registration & Inspection Fee

To cover costs for additional regulations and to incentivize owners to minimize vacant registration, it is being proposed to change the registration fee and add an inspection fee:

\$500 annual fee and inspection fee

\$500 quarterly inspection fee (inspect exterior for code compliance and ensure structure is safe and secure)

# Location of current vacant building registrations.





# Discussion and Direction

