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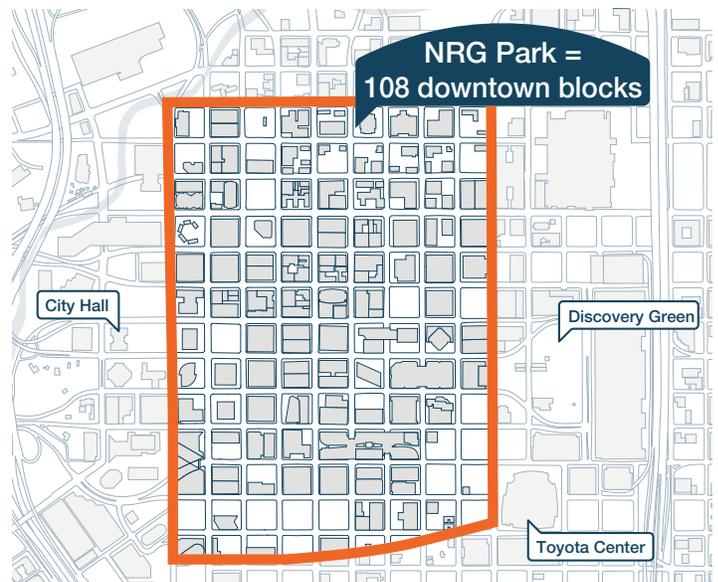
There are several constraints that make preserving and reusing the Astrodome challenging. It is important to understand these constraints so that we can ensure that we propose a new use that will take these constraints into account and be a viable option for reuse. Location is one of these constraints. The location of the Astrodome within NRG Park also goes hand-in-hand with how the events that take place there affect how we can use the Dome in the future. See the “Events” Fact Sheet for more information about events.

NRG Park contains the NRG Stadium, the NRG Arena, the NRG Center, and the NRG Astrodome. The Astrodome is located in the center of NRG Park, surrounded by parking. This is significant because the NRG Park is private land that is fenced off from the public. As such, tickets have always been required for access to the Astrodome. Some of the ideas that have been proposed for the Astrodome include uses that would only work if the public has easy and affordable (if not free) access to the Dome.

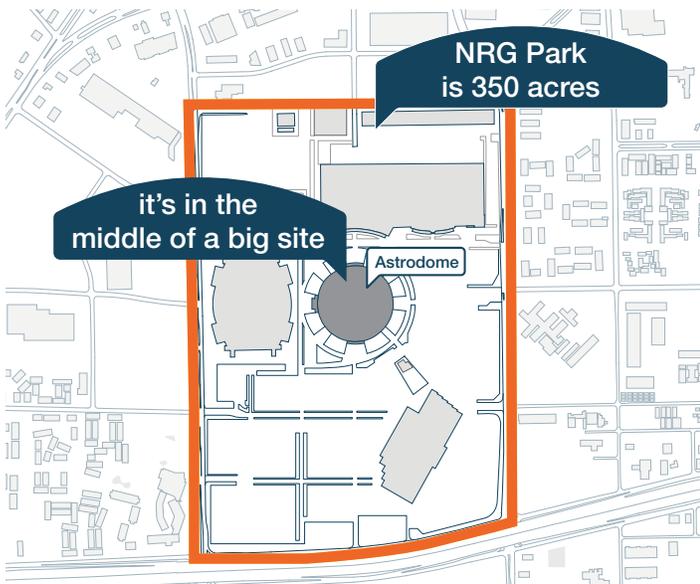
Allowing public access to the Astrodome is challenging because of the Dome’s position at the center of the site, since it does not have any adjacency to public space like a street or pedestrian path. This is exacerbated by the size of NRG Park. NRG Park is a total of 350 acres of land, which is roughly equivalent to 108 Downtown Houston blocks (approximately a third of the area of Downtown Houston) or the entire Downtown Convention District, including BBVA Stadium, Minute Maid Park, Discovery Green, GRB Convention Center, and Toyota Center. To get to the

Astrodome from any street is roughly equivalent to walking 5 or 6 downtown city blocks — almost a quarter of a mile.

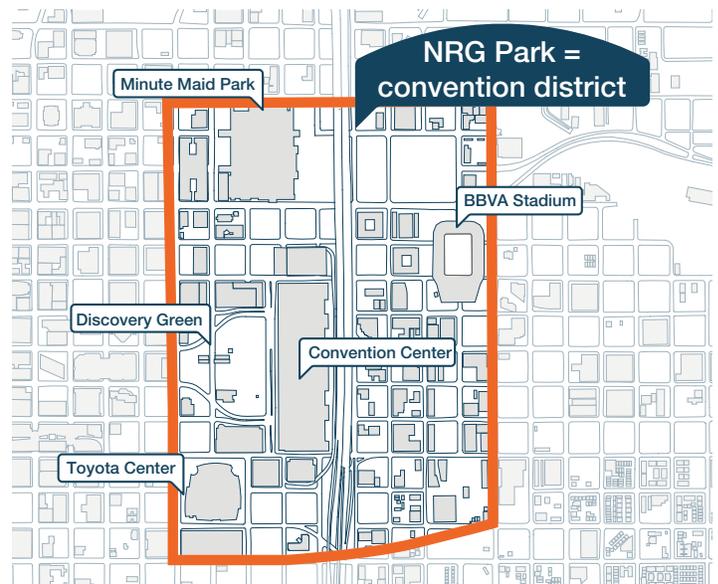
This also means that if some kind of public access to the Dome was created, it would bisect NRG park and make it much more challenging for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and Houston Texans to host their activities. This does not make accessing the Astrodome impossible, but it will require substantial negotiation and partnership from the Rodeo and the Texans.



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Downtown sports / convention