

AGENDA ITEM # 8January 5, 1999

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Hear report on year 2000 census.

Government and Community Partnership Specialist for the Austin/Central Texas area Ms. Leslie Lawson thanked the court for the opportunity to brief Williamson County census for the year 2000. Ms. Lawson is the liaison for Williamson County to U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

The every 10 year census is the largest peace time activity of the federal government. Three reasons for the census are power, money and information for infrastructure and public services planning.

Power - Population count produced by the census determine the number of Texas held seats in the United States House of Representatives and Texas State Legislature.

Money - \$150,000,000,000.00 federal grants are distributed each year by federal government calculated on population.

Infrastructure and public services planning - Businesses determine their location based upon population figures provided by the census.

Preparation has begun for Census day (April 1, 2000) in order to provide a full and accurate accounting of Williamson County citizens. Currently Williamson County 911 Addressing is conducting an address list review.

The rural address listing has just been completed and beginning the end of January approximately 150 Williamson County qualified residents will be employed to drive the urban areas to determine a complete listing of addresses with the number of questionnaires requiring hand delivery.

Also she discussed the Complete Count Committee for Census 2000 which should be appointed by Williamson County Commissioners Court comprised of members of all aspects of the county. The committee will be required to service a strategic planning team to accomplish public outreach in a manner custom-made for Williamson County. The purpose of the committee is to count all county residents.

Questionnaires will be mailed in mid March, 2000 in hopes of receiving the completed forms by mid April, 2000. Non-response follow-up will begin in hope of having a complete count by June-July, 2000. The numbers will be delivered to the President of the United States by December 31, 2000, and released to the public in summer of 2001.

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Consider approving proclamation in support of year 2000 census.

Moved: Commissioner Boatright

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To approve proclamation creating a Williamson County Census 2000 Complete Count Committee in support of the upcoming Census 2000.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

PROCLAMATION

BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT ON THE 5TH DAY OF JANUARY 1999, THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT CONVENED IN THE REGULAR SESSION, AND UPON THE REQUEST OF THE WILLIAM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS PLACED ON THE AGENDA OF THE SAID COURT FOR SUCH MEETING, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 511.041 *et seq.*, VERNON'S TEXAS CIVIL STATUTES (THE TEXAS OPEN MEETING ACT) TO BE CONSIDERED:

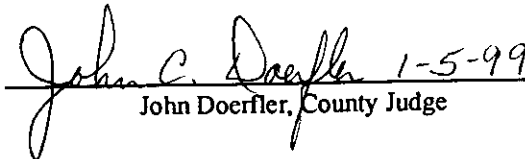
Consideration and Adoption of a Proclamation to create a
"Williamson County Census 2000 Complete Count Committee"
in support of the upcoming Census 2000.

- WHEREAS, the United States Constitution mandates a census every 10 years to determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives; and
- WHEREAS, Williamson County community's political representation in the U.S. Congress and in the State Legislature depends on census-derived population totals; and
- WHEREAS, the share of Federal funding allocated to Williamson County each year is determined, in large part, by census-derived population totals; and
- WHEREAS, the information collected in the Census 2000 efforts is crucial to Williamson County services and infrastructure planning; and
- WHEREAS, the success of the Census 2000 count in Williamson County is vitally important to the community as a whole; and
- WHEREAS, a cooperative effort by the community, and partnership with the Census Bureau, are imperative if Williamson County is to be ensured the most complete and accurate count possible; and
- WHEREAS, this effort will require coordination among local officials and representatives of the community, cooperation of media and business representatives, and close partnership with the Census Bureau to keep the community informed and involved in local activities before, during, and after the Census on April 1, 2000; and
- WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court supports the formation of the Williamson County Census 2000 Complete County Committee to create community awareness in the importance of responding to 2000 Census.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that John Doerfler, County Judge of Williamson County and the Commissioners' Court support the creation of the Williamson County Census 2000 Complete Count Committee and requests full participation from the Committee's membership to wholly embark on this important endeavor.

APPROVED, this 5th day of January, 1999.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS

 1-5-99
John Doerfler, County Judge

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Consider granting a variance from plating for Mrs. Estelle Daniell property. (1 acre out of the John McDevitt Survey off FM 3405).

Commissioner Hays advised Forest Surveying and Mapping Company is requesting variance from 50' to 30' access easement for property owned by Mrs. Estelle Daniell.

He stated the Elgin Bank case did not require a minimum footage to a public road - just **some** amount of footage to a public road.

Moved: Commissioner Hays

Seconded: Commissioner Boatright

Motion: To grant a variance allowing Mrs. Estelle Daniell to plat 1 acre out of 4.342 acres in the John McDevitt Survey, A 415 with 30' access instead of required 50' access to FM 3405.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

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12-18-1998

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County Engineer
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Dear Joe,

I am writing in regards to our pending survey request from Ms. Estelle Daniell. The enclosed planning sketch represents a potential survey design that has been recommended to Ms. Daniell to conform to minimum requirements for access as defined by Texas Local Government Code section 232.001(a) as quoted in the county subdivision ordinance.

Ms. Daniell originally requested a survey of 1 acre at the rear of the 4.34 acre tract, with an easement through the Johnie L. Daniell property located to the East of her property. As explained to Ms. Daniell, her original proposal would not conform to the minimum design standard necessary to comply with state law. As you are aware, state law would require county approval of any easement situation without lot frontage on a public road. However, state law does not set out a minimum width for access. The planning sketch was prepared for a potential survey to meet the minimum width requirement identified as desirable by most lending institutions. This design conforms to the requirements of Section 232.001(a) as further clarified by the Elgin Bank decision. Additionally this design is expected to avoid an encroachment of the mobile home situated on the 4.34 acre parcel owned by Ms. Daniell. Altering the design to conform to the minimum 50' access width found in county ordinance would create a hardship for Ms. Daniell and effectively kill the sale to her potential buyer. In my opinion, since direct access will be provided adjacent to a public road, the county ordinance is not applicable to this situation.

From our conversation, it appears that in this situation county policy would be to request a commissioners' court decision regarding a variance to county ordinance to approve a 30 foot wide access strip for this site.

Please review this matter with Commissioner Boatright and the commissioners' court and notify me regarding the court's decision. The survey is scheduled for December 29th. I would appreciate an early decision which would enable me to avoid having to reschedule the project.

Approved 1-5-99
John C. Daefler

Cordially,

Kathryn Heidemann
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