

AGENDA ITEM # 12

April 20, 1999

Consider setting date for public hearing for Resubdivision of Lots 1&2, Block R, Durham Park, Section III.

Moved: Commissioner Boatright

Seconded: Commissioner Heiligenstein

Motion: To authorize the developer to advertise 10 a.m. May 18, 1999, for public hearing for Resubdivision of Lots 1 and 2, Block R, Durham Park, Section III.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

AGENDA ITEM # 13

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Hear presentation and discussion on Sustainability Indicators Project.

Round Rock Director of Planning and Development Joe Vining advised Sustainability Indicators Project is a technical name. Sustainability is another wording for livability or quality of life. The project is to determine the quality of life in the Austin area (Travis, Williamson and Hays counties). The racially and gender balanced Executive Committee is composed of representatives from the three (3) counties who were selected from the three (3) E's - environment, economy and social equity. The definition is to provide for current needs without jeopardizing the ability of future generations to provide for their own needs.

Former head of St. Edwards University, now with Seton Health Care Ms. Pat Hays is the Chair, Joe Matlock and Mr. Vining along with some Sierra Club and S.O.S. members as well as social equity representatives are participating in the project. Commissioner Heiligenstein is a member of the Advisory Group. Website = www.ar.utexas.edu/Planning/Sustain/Survey.html.

Judge Doerfler will receive a letter requesting the appointment of two court members to attend the forum on June 4, 1999.

The sustainability movement began in the early 1970's. About ten (10) years ago Seattle and Portland became involved and has since moved across the United States. The goal is to initiate better relationships with other cities in the area. City of Austin and University of Texas Planning School and Greater School of Planning have contributed funds to the project and if an EPA grant is allowed will make a sizeable contribution toward the project.

Commissioner Heiligenstein suggested air quality is of major interest to Williamson County.

Judge Doerfler expressed his appreciation to Mr. Vining for the input.