

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda includes non-controversial and routine items that the Court may act on with one single vote. The Judge or a Commissioner may pull any item from the Consent Agenda in order that the court discuss and act upon it individually as part of the Regular Agenda.

(Items 5- 9)

AGENDA ITEM 5

Consider approving final plat of (unrecorded) Chaparral Subdivision.

Moved: **Commissioner Heiligenstein**

Seconded: **Judge Doerfler**

Motion: To approve final plat of unrecorded Chaparral Subdivision.

Vote: Motion carried 4 – 0 with Commissioner Boatright absent from the dais.

AGENDA ITEM 6

Discuss and consider action regarding enforceability of “No Parking” areas designated throughout the county.

Judge Doerfler pulled this item from the Consent Agenda.

As an item on the **Regular Agenda** County Attorney Gene Taylor distributed information on parking and towing. Cities can adopt an ordinance designating an area within the city limits as “No Parking” zones and further adopt an ordinance creating a presumption that the registered owner of a vehicle was the person who illegally parked it. An officer can simply stick the ticket under the wiper of an unoccupied vehicle and expect the owner to pay a fine, come to court or get arrested for failure to appear.

However, counties in the State of Texas must prove in court that the owner who received the ticket was actually the driver who parked the car.

The office of the Williamson County Attorney has advised the Williamson County Sheriff’s Department not to issue parking tickets unless they can positively identify the driver as the person they are citing.

Commissioner Heiligenstein discussed the deficiencies in the statute.

Town and Country Optimist Club Vice-President of Operations Jason Kastelic discussed parking problems in the Town & Country area and advised they are aggressively attempting to redirect traffic off public streets.

No action was taken on this agenda item.

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