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#### \*WEDNESDAY BOOT CAMP, MARCH 5, 2008

#### **Presiding Officer:**

Terrence S. Welch, Richardson, TX

"Optional Boot Camp—separate registration required.

12:30 p.m.

Registration Opens for Land Use Boot Camp

Includes complimentary refreshments.

1:30 p.m.

#### Introduction to Land Use Planning Law: Constitutional and Regulatory Authority

An overview of key concepts and issues involved in land use planning, including the constitutional and regulatory authority enabling state and local governmental entities to control land development through comprehensive planning, zoning, platting, etc.

E. Allen Taylor Jr., Fort Worth, TX

2:00 p.m. .50 hr

#### **Comprehensive Planning**

What is the comprehensive plan and is it really that important in Texas? The statutory basis for comprehensive planning and the role of the comprehensive plan in land use law in Texas will be addressed, including its significance in zoning decisions made by local governments.

Terrence S. Welch, Richardson, TX

2:30 p.m. .75 hr

#### **Platting**

A presentation covering all the platting basics, as well as many interesting twists in this companion area to zoning.

E. Allen Taylor Jr., Fort Worth, TX

3:15 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. 1.00 hr

#### Zoning

A quick review of Texas zoning law, covering the Texas Zoning Enabling Act, the "players" in the zoning game, critical zoning procedures, legal constraints, etc. Suitable for both lawyers and non-lawyers.

James L. Dougherty Jr., Houston, TX Reid Wilson, Houston, TX 4:30 p.m.

.50 hr

#### **Annexation Fundamentals**

Is annexation really that complicated? In this session, you'll find out by learning the fundamentals. Specifically, learn the authority of general law and home rule cities to annex territory, and the various procedural steps that must be followed.

Scott N. Houston, Austin, TX

5:00 p.m. .5

#### Boot Camp Q&A

.50 hr

An opportunity for audience members to pose questions to speakers and hear discussion relating to topics covered during the day.

Scott N. Houston, Austin, TX E. Allen Taylor Jr, Fort Worth, TX Terrence S. Welch, Richardson, TX Reid Wilson, Houston, TX

5:30 p.m. Adjourn

#### THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 6, 2008

#### LAND USE CONFERENCE

Presiding Officer: Reid Wilson, Houston, TX

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens for Land Use Conference

Includes continental breakfast.

8:50 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

9:00 a.m. .50 hr

#### Case Law Update

This presentation will cover recent cases involving land use planning issues as well as other cases of note.

Barry R. Knight, Dallas, TX

9:30 a.m. .50 h

#### **Legislative Update**

During the 2007 legislative session, various land use bills passed, while others fell victim to the process. Learn how the laws that are effective now are being implemented, and get a description of what's on the horizon for next session.

Scott N. Houston, Austin, TX

10:00 a.m.

.50 hr

## Chapter 380: Cutting Edge Deals and Incentives

Hear the latest about local government incentives available under Chapter 380 Texas Local Government Code—what every developer and local government should know about cash incentives, infrastructure reimbursements, relocation expenses, rent guarantees, tax abatement and tax increment financing equivalents and other local government subsidies including sample forms, negotiation techniques and a case study.

Peter G. Smith, Dallas, TX

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. .50 hr

#### **Regulatory Takings**

An overview and update of regulatory takings jurisprudence, with particular emphasis on hot topics and cutting-edge issues facing the regulatory and development communities in this ever-changing area of land use and planning law.

Robert F. Brown, Richardson, TX

11:15 a.m. .50 hr

#### **Vested Rights**

A discussion of trending from judicial to statutory protection.

Arthur J. Anderson, Dallas, TX

11:45 a.m. .50 hr

## Annexation, Quasi-Annexation, SPAs and Weird Boundary Things

Old and new annexation laws—how they do and don't work together.

William M. 'Mick' McKamie, San Antonio, TX

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

#### **Presiding Officer:**

William S. Dahlstrom, Dallas, TX

#### NETWORKING LUNCH AND PRESENTATION

12:15 p.m. Pick Up Box Lunch Included in conference registration fee.

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12:50 p.m.

.50 hr

#### Magic Words: A Practical Guide to the Safe Use of Key Terms in Land Use Planning

Tips for safe handling of words that may not mean what we think, e.g. "family," "subdivision, "mobile home," etc.

James L. Dougherty Jr., Houston, TX

1:20 p.m.

Break

## The Development Process: Designing, drafting, and negotiating, around outdated regulations to build mixed-use, urban infill and green developments

It is common for "dated" regulations to prevent "best practices" development because zoning regulations and building codes are old-fashioned and do not accommodate current development trends, such as mixed-use, smart growth, urban infill, and green building. The following presentations examine the processes and techniques used by municipal officials and developers in working around dated regulations, with special emphasis on energy-efficient and "green" developments.

1:30 p.m.

.50 hr

## Overview: The Dance Between Developer and Municipality

Municipalities frequently seek to reward developers for projects with desired characteristics, for example, mixed-use, urban infill, or green building. This dance between developer and municipal officials can become particularly complex when a project falls outside current zoning and building regulations—this session discusses the carrots and sticks available to both sides in developing projects that fall outside traditional zoning or building codes.

William S. Dahlstrom, Dallas, TX Graham Greene, Dallas, TX

2:00 p.m.

.75 hr

#### Designing and Drafting Outside the Box

A discussion of the design, planning and legal issues at stake for innovative developments, including an overview of how local ordinances can help or hurt. This session also includes examples of innovative architecture and typical code conflicts.

Betsy Del Monte, Dallas, TX Speaker TBA

2:45 p.m.

**Break** 

3:00 p.m.

.75 hr

## Negotiating and Translating Design into Ordinances and Agreements

A discussion of how design goals are negotiated and translated into design ordinances and development agreements: including negotiating

and drafting tips, with sample ordinances and agreements.

Kimberley Mickelson, Chicago, IL and Houston, TX

Gail D. A. Vittori, Austin, TX

3:45 p.m.

.75 hr

#### **Developers Panel**

Major developers discuss the challenges and opportunities of innovative projects including incentives, financing, and marketability—with special emphasis on energy efficient projects.

Moderator: William S. Dahlstrom, Dallas, TX Joel DeSpain, Austin, TX Scott Roberts, Driftwood, TX Philip L. Williams, Dallas, TX

4:30 p.m.

.50 hr

#### Legal Challenges and a Look to the Future

This session looks at the projected growth of green building development in Texas and the nation, as well as potential legal challenges to proposed ordinances and development agreements.

Keith H. Hirokawa, Fort Worth, TX

5:00 p.m.

**Adjourn to Reception** 

#### FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 7, 2008

#### Presiding Officer:

Dorothy Palumbo, Highland Village, TX

7:30 a.m.

1.00 hr

#### Breakfast Break-Out Sessions—Choose One

Included in conference registration. One-onone discussions on current issues on topics important to you and your clients.

Billboards and Signs

Alan J. Bojorquez, Austin, TX

Fair Housing Issues

John J. Hightower, Houston, TX

Institutional Expansion and Neighborhood Disputes

P. Michael Jung, Dallas, TX

Landscaping Ordinances: Trees, Shrubs and Other Foliage

Sarah Fullenwider, Fort Worth, TX Bob Riley, Fort Worth, TX

Ranchettes and Other Rural Developments Outside the ETJ

David Z. Conoly, Corpus Christi, TX

Settlement Agreements in Land Use Cases: Not Valid?

Renea Hicks, Austin, TX

Where's the Water? CCNs, MUDs and Other Options

Leonard H. Dougal, Austin, TX

8:30 a.m. Break

8:45 a.m.

Site Specific Approvals

Current developments and approaches to planned development districts, special or conditional use permits, and special exceptions.

Kimberley Mickelson, Chicago, IL and Houston, TX

9:30 a.m.

.75 hr

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#### **Development Agreements**

A comprehensive look at development agreements including statutory authority and the uses and types of development agreements including master development agreements, 380 agreements, TIF agreements and other ancillary agreements. Sample agreements will be included in the conference materials.

Brenda N. McDonald, Irving, TX Charles E. Zech, San Antonio, TX

10:15 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Break

.50 hr

#### Form Based Zoning

This session will explore the growth of form based codes and their application for achieving mixed-use and facilitating appropriate housing and building types for different development contexts.

Scott Polikov, Fort Worth, TX

11:00 a.m.

1.00 hr

#### Mixed-Use Panel

A group of architects and lawyers will discuss planning, legal and practical issues in mixeduse projects including design, access, parking, condominium structuring, leasing, lending, incentives and conflicting uses.

Moderator: Reid Wilson, Houston, TX Lorin Williams Combs, Dallas, TX Peter Merwin, Houston, TX

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

**Presiding Officer:** 

Peter Cesaro, Austin, TX (invited)

#### **ETHICS LUNCHEON PRESENTATION**

12:00 p.m. Lunch and a Movie

Pick up box lunch—included in conference registration fee.

12:15 p.m.

1.00 hr ethics

**Ethics Movie Clips and Commentary** 

Texas ethics lessons...Hollywood-style.

Randy Van Vleck, Santa Fe, NM

1:15 p.m.

Break

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1:30 p.m.

50 hr

#### Gimme A Curb Cut: Access Management and TxDOT Local Regulation of Access

A discussion of TxDOT powers inside city limits, land acquisition, construction, access, ROW issues, signs, etc.

Ben Turner, Austin, TX

2:00 p.m.

.50 hr

#### Public Sector Real Estate Deals: A Parallel Universe

A look at issues of authority, issues of indemnity, and special real estate requirements for public agencies.

Ed Walts, Austin, TX

2:30 p.m.

1.00 hr ethics

#### The Ethical Challenges of Representing **Organizations**

Representing an organization, either public or private, involves many ethical challenges. Issues of confidentiality, conflicting interests, and decision-making authority routinely affect lawyers advising entities. This session will feature those scenarios likely to arise during local government land use issues.

Ross Fischer, Seguin, TX

3:30 p.m.

Adjourn

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#### **KEY DATES**

Registration & Cancellation

February 27, 2008—5 p.m. last day for early registration additional fee for registrations received after this time

February 29, 2008—5 p.m. last day for full refund

March 3, 2008—5 p.m. last day for partial refunds \$50 processing fee applied

March 5, 2008—1:30 p.m. optional Wed. Boot Camp begins

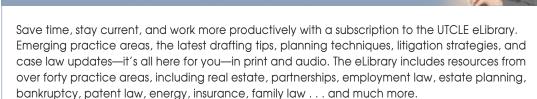
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