

Shot Clocks, Building Materials and the Death of Annexation

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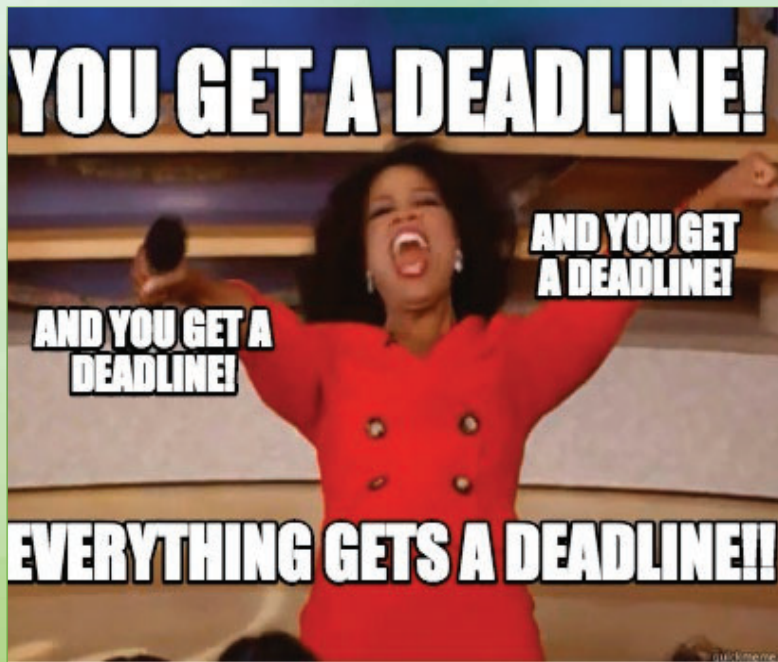
- **Shot Clock:** HB 3167 (86th Leg.), and related bills in the 87th Reg. Session.
 - Other bills amending various provisions of Tex. Local Gov't Code Ch. 212.
- **Building Materials:** HB 2439 (86th Leg.) and related bills in the 87th Reg. Session.
- **Annexation:** SB 6 (85th Leg.), (SB __ (86th Leg.), and related bills in the 87th Reg. Session.
 - **ETJ:** Bills this session limiting municipal authority in the ETJ, granting additional authority to other entities, special district issues.

“... any mayor, county judge that was dumb ass enough to come meet with me, I told them with great clarity, my goal is for this to be the worst session in the history of the legislature for cities and counties”

- Former Speaker Dennis Bonnen

“I hope the next session’s even worse”

- Rep. Dustin Burrows (Lubbock)



Shot Clock:
Deadlines for
everything.

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Shot Clock—Processing plans and plats

- Chapter 212, (Muni. Reg. of Subdivisions and Property Development) has always contained a "shot clock":
 - Sec. 212.009(a) The municipal authority responsible for approving plats shall act on a plat within 30 days after the plat is filed. A plat is considered approved by the municipal authority unless it is disapproved within that period.
- What is "filed"?
 - Sec. 212.008 A person desiring approval of a plat must apply to and file a copy of the plat with the municipal planning commission or, if the municipality has no planning commission, the governing body.

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