

The Court offers the option to “defer” the disposition of your case and place you on probationary period for a specified period of time during which you must comply with terms and conditions that the Municipal Judge sets forth. **Terms vary depending on the type of violation that was issued and not all violations have the option of deferred or may require an appearance before the Judge.** At the end of the deferral period, provided you have met all the conditions of your probation, the Judge will dismiss your citation. The offense will not be reported to the Department of Public Safety and will not be recorded on your driving record.

A request for deferred disposition must be submitted in writing by mail or made in person with payment in full no later than your appearance date noted on your citation. Because the costs and fees vary according to the offense you will need to contact the Court to learn the exact amount owed for your citation(s). You must also submit to the Court a valid Class “C” Drivers License. **If you have not requested and paid in full for deferred disposition by your appearance date you MUST appear before the Shavano Park Municipal Judge on the appearance date noted on your citation.**

PLEASE NOTE: If your case is past due or if it is in a warrant status, you may still apply for deferred disposition. However, the amount owed will be different and higher than originally owed to the Court.

The following offenses **are not eligible** for deferred disposition.

- Offenses committed in a construction work zone, when workers are present. Sec. 542.404, T.C.
- A minor charged with the offense of consuming an alcoholic beverage if the minor has been previously convicted twice or more of this offense. Sec. 106.04, A.B.C.
- A minor charged with the offense of driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage if the minor has been previously convicted twice or more of this offense. Sec. 106.041, A.B.C.
- A minor who is at least 17 and has previously been convicted two or more times of an offense to which Section 106.071, A.B.C. applies (purchase of alcohol by a minor, attempt to purchase of alcohol by a minor, consumption of alcohol by a minor, possession of alcohol by a minor, and misrepresentation of age by a minor). Sec. 106.071(i), A.B.C.
- A defendant charged with a traffic offense that holds or held a commercial driver’s license.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

If your request for deferred disposition is granted by the Court you will be placed on a probationary period not to exceed 180 days. As a condition of your probation you must not receive any additional citations against the laws of the State of Texas or the City of Shavano Park. **Terms vary depending on the type of violation that was issued and not all violations have the option of deferred or may require an appearance before the Judge.** Please contact the Court for specifics and amount owed. Requests through the mail need to be made no later than your appearance date. Upon receiving the request the Court will notify you in return by mail of all required conditions to successfully comply with the Deferred Order.

FAILURE TO COMPLY

If you fail to comply with any one of the requirements on the Deferred Order your case will be set for a "Show Cause" Hearing. A notice will be mailed to the last address provided to the Court. There are no resets for Show Cause Hearings.

If you fail to appear at the Hearing, Judgment will be entered. Without further notice a capias pro fine warrant for your arrest will be issued and a guilty conviction will be reported to the Department of Public Safety. The conviction will appear on your driving record and may result in the revocation/denial of your driver's license.

You may waive your Hearing by signing a Show Cause Waiver at the Court no later than your Show Cause Hearing date or by writing to the Court stating that you would like to waive your Hearing. Understand that by waiving your Hearing a conviction will be entered on your driving record.