

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, February 17, 2010



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The Environmental Board convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, February 17, 2010, City Council Chambers, at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas 78701

Board Members in Attendance:

Rodney Ahart, J. Robert Anderson, Jon Beall, Robin Gary, Mary Gay Maxwell, Phil Moncada, & Mary Ann Neely

Staff in Attendance:

Ingrid McDonald, Pat Murphy, Marilla Shepherd, Brad Jackson, Kevin Selfridge, P. E., James Dymkowski and Sylvia Pope, P. G.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:05 p.m.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL

Speaker should sign up to speak prior to the meeting called to order; you will receive a three-minute allotment to address your concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

- Tom McDill signed up to ask permission to be placed on the next Environmental Board agenda to discuss the SOS redevelopment ordinance and sewer lines associated with the ordinance. The Environmental Board, staff and Mr. McDill discussed the referenced request, and Mr. McDill's request to redevelop, and the fact that the request does not meet the SOS Redeveloped Ordinance. Mary Gay Maxwell, Chairman of the Environmental Board recommended that the Environmental Board do not place this item on the next agenda, and that the City of Austin Codes and Ordinances Subcommittee move forward to the City of Austin's Planning Commission, and go through their processes with staff, and that they come up with the exception to the SOS Redevelopment Ordinance during that process. She stated that the Environmental Board would probably see this item again once it's gone through the process, and that the Environmental Board does not have authority to make that final decision, and that Mr. McDill has gone beyond the Environmental Board's scope.
- 17 Citizens signed up to speak, but did not speak on agenda item 4a because item was pass on the consent agenda.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS

Approve the minutes of the regular meetings on January 20, 2010.

The minutes for the regular meeting of January 20, 2010 were approved on Board member Rodney Ahart's motion. Seconded by Board member Phil Moncada. Vote of 7-0.

February 3, 2010 meeting canceled; no minutes to approve.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS DISCUSSION AND ACTION DEVELOPMENT CASES

- a. **Name:** Bird's Nest Airport: Terminal Area Development Phase I SP-2009-0153D

Applicant: KSA Engineers Inc.

Location: 15012 Fuchs Grove Road

Staff Person: Jim Dymkowski, Planning and Development Review Department

Request: Land Development Code;

1. 25-8-341 To allow cut up to a maximum of 20 feet.

2. 25-8-342 To allow fill up to a maximum of 20 feet.

Watershed: Willbarger Creek Watershed (Suburban)

Desired Development Zone

Recommendation: Recommended for consent approval.

The Environmental Board did not take any action.

**4. ITEMS POSTPONED FROM THE FEBRUARY 3, 2010 MEETING
STAFF BRIEFINGS**

- a. Briefing on the Mission Bethany Ordinance – Pat Murphy, Watershed Protection Department.

This item was conducted as posted.

- b. Briefing on TXI (Texas Industries Inc.) – Pat Murphy, Watershed Protection Department.

Environmental Board member Robin Gary recommended that City of Austin staff work with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (or other appropriate agency with the proper authority) to investigate the potential impacts of the proposed gravel quarry on local groundwater resources, both related to water quality and quantity and report back to the Environmental Board on the findings.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Update on the Joint Environmental/Parks Board Subcommittee –Mary Gay Maxwell, Jon Beall & Mary Ann Neely

No report this week.

- b. Update on the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan Citizens Advisory Group – Mary Ann Neely

Board member Mary Ann Neely reported on this item and the next meeting will be on March 8, 2010.

- c. Update on the 2009 Work Plan – Mary Gay Maxwell.

Mary Gay Maxwell reported on this item and proposed that this item be placed on the Environmental Board retreat agenda.

- d. Waller Creek Task Force –Rodney Ahart

Board member Rodney Ahart report on this item and the next meeting will be on March 4, 2010.

- e. 2010 Environmental Board Handbook

Board member Mary Gay Maxwell proposed that this item be placed on the Environmental Board retreat agenda.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Future agenda items:

- 1. Schedule an Environmental Board Retreat. Proposed meeting dates to choose from are: April 7, 2010 or April 21, 2010.**

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



**Environmental Board
February 17, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers
301 West Second Street
Austin, Texas 78701**

AGENDA

Bob Anderson
Place 1 Appointee

Phil Moncada, Secretary
Place 2 Appointee

Jon Beall
Place 3 Appointee

Dr. Mary Gay Maxwell, Chair
Place 4 Appointee

Robin Gary
Place 5 Appointee

Rodney Ahart, Vice Chair
Place 6 Appointee

Mary Ann Neely
Mayor's Appointee

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