

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, February 04, 2009



**ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY,
February 04, 2009**

**The Environmental Board convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday,
February 04, 2009, City Council Chambers at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas
78701**

Board Members in Attendance:

Rodney Ahart, Jon Beall, John Dupnik, Phil Moncada, and Mary Ann Neely

Staff in Attendance:

Brad Jackson, Ingrid McDonald, Pat Murphy, Marilla Shepherd, Mike Ihnat, Diane Gonzales, Nancy McClintock, Tom Ennis, P. E., Leon Barba, and Roxanne Jackson

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL-

Speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-five minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

There were 15 citizens signed up to speak on agenda item 4b.

Bunnie Twidwell spoke on the Sustainable Events Plan agenda item 5a.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the minutes of the special called meeting on January 17, 2009 and the January 21, 2009 regular meeting.

The minutes for the regular meeting of January 17, 2009 were approved with amendments on Board member Phil Moncada's motion, Board member Mary Ann Neely's second on a 5-0 vote. Amendments are as follows: Added the subcommittees to the 2009 Environmental Board work plan item 4. See attachment.

The Minutes for the regular meeting of January 21, 2009 were approved with amendments on Board member Phil Moncada's motion, Board member Mary Ann Neely's second on a 5-0 vote. Amendments are as follows: Vice Chair Ahart amended item 3d line 5 "At the request of Citizen Gail Goff" be amended to: "At the request of staff".

3. STAFF SPECIAL REPORTS

- a. Drainage Utility FY 2008 Review -Diane Gonzales, WPDR, & Mike Ihnat, P. E., WPDR

This item was conducted as posted.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. Name: Brodie Ranch Phase C SP-2008-0205C

Applicant: Hanrahan Pritchard Engineering (HPE), Inc. Seth Bonner

Location: 9025 Brodie Lane

Staff Person: Brad Jackson, Watershed Protection and Development Review Department

Request: Variance request to Land Development Code;

1. 25-8-342 and 25-8-342 to allow cut/fill over 4 feet.

Watershed: Slaughter Creek (Barton Springs Zone) Drinking Water Protection Zone

Recommendation: Recommended with conditions

At the request of the applicant the Environmental Board motioned to postpone Brodie Ranch Phase C (SP-2008-0205C).

RECOMMENDATION POSTPONEMENT: [VOTE 5-0]

Motioned by Board member Rodney Ahart and seconded by Board member Moncada, Board member Maxwell absent, one vacancy.

b. Name: South Shore District PUD

Applicant: Drenner & Golden Stuart Wolff, LLP

Location: 1701 S. Lakeshore Blvd.

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1414 Arena Drive

1333 Arena Drive

1200 Tinnin Ford Road

1201 Town Creek Drive

Staff Person Stephen Rye, Neighborhood Planning & Development, /Patricia Foran, Watershed Protection and Development Review Department

Request: Applicant is requesting PUD zoning for the property with the following exceptions:

1. LDC 25-8-261 (Critical Water Quality Zone) to construct a regional water quality pond within the critical water quality zone;
2. LDC 25-1-21 (Definition of "site") to allow site development to comply with development standards on an overall basis, rather than tract by tract;
3. LDC 25-2-243 (Proposed District Boundaries Must be Contiguous) to allow the PUD area to be considered contiguous;
4. LDC 25-2-491 (Permitted, Conditional, and Prohibited Uses) to allow certain GR uses to be permitted (per Exhibit B);
5. LDC 25-2-492 (Site Development Regulations) to be allowed 120 feet height.

Watershed – Town Lake Watershed (Urban) Desire Development Zone.

Recommendation: Recommended with conditions

At the request a citizen the Environmental Board motioned to postpone South Shore District PUD C814-2008-0087

**RECOMMENDATION POSTPONEMENT: [VOTE 5-0]
Motioned by Board member Rodney Ahart and seconded by Board member Mary Ann Neely, Board member Maxwell absent, one vacancy.**

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND ACTION

- a. Staff Recommendation for a Sustainable Events Plan– Heidi Gerbracht, Office of the City Manager

Conducted as posted, staff will returned back to the 2/18/09 regular meeting with a response to the Environmental Board members questions.

- b. Master Plan update and .request to convene a subcommittee. Jean Drew, Watershed Protection and Development Review Department

This item was conducted as posted, the WPDRD Master Plan will be added to the 2009 Environmental Board Workplan subcommittee.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Update on the joint Environmental/Parks Board Subcommittee –.Mary Gay Maxwell
- b. Update on the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan Citizens Advisory Group – Mary Ann Neely
- c. Update on the Waterfront Overlay Taskforce – Dr. Mary Gay Maxwell
- d. Environmental Awareness Awards- Executive Committee

7. NEW BUSINESS

Request for future agenda items.

Board member Mary Ann Neely requested a staff briefing on the Waterfront Overly Taskforce.

8. ADJOURNMENT

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Please call Marilla Shepherd at the Watershed Protection and Development Review Department, 512-974-3443 for additional information. TTY users route through Relay Texas at 7