

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, May 20, 2009



**ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY,
May 20, 2009**

**The Environmental Board convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday,
May 20, 2009, City Council Chambers, at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas
78701**

Board Members in Attendance:

Rodney Ahart, Jon Beall, David Bezanson, John Dupnik, Phil Moncada,
Mary Gay Maxwell and Mary Ann Neely

Staff in Attendance:

Leon Barba, Michael Embesi, Diane Gonzales, Jennifer Groody, Matt Hollon,
Brad Jackson, Victoria Li, Ingrid McDonald, Pat Murphy, Clark Patterson, Marilla
Shepherd

CALL TO ORDER

**Mary Gay Maxwell Chairman of the Environmental Board called the meeting to
order at 6:11 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.

**There were 13 citizens signed up to speak on various agenda items, and 2 citizens
signed up to speak under citizen's communication.**

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the minutes of the regular meeting on May 6, 2009.

**The minutes for the regular meeting of May 6, 2009 were approved on Board member
Phil Moncada's motion, Board member Rodney Ahart's second (amended date to read
May 6, 2009 on the Climate Change Resolution), on a 5-0 vote. Board member Mary
Gay Maxwell and Board member David Bezanson were absent.**

3. **POSTPONEMENT FROM THE MAY 6, 2009 REGULAR MEETING
PUBLIC HEARINGS DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

- a. **Name:** The Estates at Commanders Point C8J-2008-0231.0A
Applicant: Aaron Googins and Alice Glasco, Agents
Location: 4607 Agarita Cove
Staff Person: Brad Jackson, Watershed Protection and Development Review Department
Request: Variance request to Land Development Code;
1. 30-5-454(B)(2) to allow a residence on a lot with less than 2 acres net site area.
2. 30-5-301 for construction of driveways on slopes over 15% in grade.
Watershed: Lake Travis Watershed (Water Supply Rural) DWPZ
Recommendation: Not Recommended.

Recommendation disapproval: Vote [3-4-0-0] Motion failed.
Recommendation conditional approval. Vote [3-4-0-0] Motion failed.

No recommendation to other Boards and Commissions for this item.

4. **PUBLIC HEARINGS DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

- a. **Name:** Comanche Canyon Ranch, Extra Territorial Jurisdiction Plan Development Unit
Applicant: City of Austin-Austin Water Utility- William P. Stauber
Location: 12309 Bullick Hollow Road and 6708 North FM 620 Road
Staff Person: Wendy Rhoades, Neighborhood Planning and Zoning Department
Request:
To allow Areas 3 and 4 of the Comanche Canyon Ranch, ETJ PUD to be developed as a major utility facility (Water Treatment Plant 4 and pump station), and to specify that development of the major utility facility on Areas 3 and 4 will adhere to the provision of the City's Land Development Code and Ordinance No. 20080515-035.
Watershed: Lake Travis (Water Supply Rural)
Recommendation: Recommended

Recommendation Approved: [VOTE 7-0].
Motioned by Board member Phil Moncada and seconded by Board member Mary Ann Neely,

5. **STAFF BRIEFINGS**

- a. Quarterly update on Water Treatment Plant 4- Robin Smith, Watershed Protection and Development Review Department.

Briefing conducted as posted.

- b. Briefing on the Barton Springs Tree Assessment Report and Action Plan
Walter Passmore, Urban Forester, Parks and Recreation Department

Briefing conducted as posted.

- c. Briefing on the Water Conservation Ordinance – Rachel Clampffer,
Austin Water Utility.

Briefing conducted as posted. The Environmental Board requested staff to send requested information on water conservation by e-mail.

- d. Update on Lake Austin- Mary Gilroy, and Andrew Clamann, Watershed
Protection and Development Review Department

Briefing conducted as posted. The Environmental Board will post this item for action from the Board at the next meeting to make a motion to support the Bulkheads.

6. OLD BUSINESS

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

No updated this week.

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

No updated this week.

- c. Update on the Environmental Awareness Awards- Executive Committee
of the Environmental Board

No updated this week.

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

No updated this week.

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 10:45 p.m.