

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, September 16, 2009



**ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY,
September 16, 2009**

**The Environmental Board convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday,
September 16, 2009, City Council Chambers, at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas
78701**

Board Members in Attendance:

Rodney Ahart, Jon Beall, Robin Gary, Mary Gay Maxwell, and Mary Ann Neely.

Staff in Attendance:

Mike McDougal, Ingrid McDonald, Benny Ho, P. E. Chris Herrington, P. E., Jonathan Thompson, P. E., Liz Ann Gilbert, Matt Gohan, P. E., Pat Murphy, Marilla Shepherd, Alex Webb, Keith Mars, Gopal Guthikonda, P. E.

CALL TO ORDER

**Mary Gay Maxwell Chairman of the Environmental Board called the meeting to
order at 6:08 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.

None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS

- a. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting on September 2, 2009.
The minutes for the regular meeting of September 2, 2009 were approved on Board member Mary Ann Neely' motion, Board member Rodney Ahart's second on a 5-0 vote. Board members Phil Moncada, and Board Member J. Robert Anderson were absent.

3. PUBLIC HEARING POSTPONEMENT FROM 9/2/2009 DISCUSSION AND ACTION

- a. **Name:** Village at Northtown Water and Wastewater Improvements SP-2008-0329D
Applicant: Cunningham Allen, Inc. Gabriel Hovdey, EIT.
Location: 500-1100 Block of Wells Branch Parkway

Staff Person: Keith Mars, Planning and Development Department

Request:

1. Land Development Code 25-8-422 To Allow development within the critical water quality zone.

Watershed: Harris Branch Watershed (Suburban) Desired Development Zone

Recommendation: Approval with conditions.

The Environmental Board motioned to disapprove Land Development Code 25-8-422 To allow development within the critical water quality zone for the Village of Northtown Water and Wastewater Improvements SP-2008-0329D.

Recommendation Approved: [VOTE 5-0]. Motioned by Board member Jon Beall and seconded by Board member Mary Ann Neely. Board members Phil Moncada and J. Robert Anderson were absent.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS DISCUSSION AND ACTION

- a. **Name:** South I-35 Water Program Segment 9.1-42' Water Transmission Main
SP-2009-0220D

Applicant: City of Austin Public Works Department (Jonathon Thompson, P.E.)

Location: 12110 Bradshaw Road

Staff Person: Mike McDougal

Request: Variance request is as follows:

1. Land Development Code 25-8-392 To allow construction within the Critical Water Quality Zone.

Watershed: Rinard Creek Watershed (Suburban) Desired Development Zone

Recommendation: Approval on consent.

The Environmental Board motioned to pass on consent: South I-35 Water Program Segment 9.1-42' Water Transmission Main SP-2009-0220D.

Recommendation Approved: [VOTE 5-0]. Board member Phil Moncada and J. Robert Anderson were absent.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Update on the Joint Environmental/Parks Board Subcommittee –Mary Gay Maxwell, Phil Moncada, Jon Beall & Mary Ann Neely
Board member Mary Ann Neely reported on this item, the next meeting will be on Monday 9/21/2009 at 6:15 p.m.

- b. Update on the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan Citizens Advisory Group – Mary Ann Neely
No report on this item this week.
- c. Update on the Environmental Awareness Awards- Executive Committee of the Environmental Board
Board members should send email to Mary Gay Maxwell by noon 9/17/2009 with any ideas about the Environmental Awareness Awards.
- d. Update on the 2009 Work Plan reports – Mary Gay Maxwell.
Board Member Rodney reported on the Growth and Planning Subcommittee, the next meeting will be 10/6/2009 at 10:00 a.m.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- **The pending request for a briefing on Zoning Cases and Impervious pending since 2006 will be posted on the Growth and Planning Subcommittee agenda on 10/6/2009 at 10:00 a.m.
Pat Murphy will invite the Planning & Development staff to this meeting.**
- **The Environmental Board will schedule a Board retreat at the next meeting 10/7/09.**

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.