

Environmental Board Regular Meeting November 20, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. City Hall Council Chambers 301 West Second Street Austin, Texas 78701

AGENDA

Robert Deegan Place 1 Appointee Marisa Perales, Vice Chair Place 2 Appointee Jennifer Walker Place 3 Appointee

Dr. Mary Gay Maxwell, Chair Place 4 Appointee

Robin Gary Place 5 Appointee James Schissler, P. E., Secretary Place 6 Appointee

Mary Ann Neely Mayor's Appointee

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL

Speaker should sign up to speak prior to the meeting being called to order; you will receive a three-minute allotment to discuss topics not posted on the agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS

- a. Approve the minutes of the Environmental Board regular meeting of November 6, 2013.
- b. Environmental Officer's report on hot topics and past Board actions Chuck Lesniak, Watershed Protection Department **no report this week.**

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS POSTPONED ON NOVEMBER 6, 2013

a. **Name:** Boat Dock for 5 Humboldt Lane

Applicant: Braun and Gresham Attorneys at Law

Location: 5 Humboldt Lane

Staff Reviewer: Liz Johnston, Planning and Development Review Department

and Sylvia Pope, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Lake Austin (Water Supply Rural) Ordinance: Comprehensive Watershed Ordinance

Request: Variance request is as follows:

1. To allow construction of a boat dock and the associated access trail within a Critical Environmental Feature buffer, LDC Section 25-8-281(C)(1)(a).

Staff Recommendation: Recommend approval with conditions

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Name: Regents West Campus SP-2012-0427C

Applicant: Hanrahan-Pritchard Engineering Inc. **Location:** 3231 Travis Country Circle

Staff Reviewer: Jim Dymkowski, Planning and Development Review Department

Watershed: Barton Creek Watershed (Barton Springs Zone) Drink Water Protection Zone

Ordinance: Save our Springs Ordinance (Current Code)

Request: Variance request is as follows:

1. To allow cut greater than 4 feet not to exceed 15 feet LDC Section 25-8-341

2. To allow fill greater than 4 feet not to exceed 8 feet LDC Section 25-8-342

Staff Recommendation: Approval with conditions

b. Name: Lakeside Villas SP-2013-0092D

Applicant: Garrett-Ihnen Civil Engineering – Agent Jevon Poston, P. E.

Location: 4300 Mansfield Dam Road

Staff Reviewer: Liz Johnston, Planning and Development Review Department

Watershed: Lake Austin Watershed (Water Supply Rural), Drinking Water Protection

Zone

Ordinance: Watershed Protection Ordinance (current code)

Request: Variance requests are as follows:

- 1. To allow cut to exceed 4 feet. LDC Section 25-8-341 (A)
- 2. To allow fill to exceed 4 feet. LDC Section 25-8-342 (A)
- 3. To allow construction of a building on slopes in excess of 25%, but less than 35%. LDC Section 25-8-302(A)

Staff Recommendation: Recommend approval

c. Name: Lakeside Villas II SP-2013-0093D

Applicant: Garrett-Ihnen Civil Engineering – Agent Jevon Poston, P. E.

Location: 4301 Mansfield Dam Road

Staff Reviewer: Liz Johnston, Planning and Development Review Department

Watershed: Lake Austin Watershed (Water Supply Rural), Drinking Water Protection

Zone

Ordinance: Watershed Protection Ordinance (current code)

Request: Variance requests are as follows:

- 1. To allow cut to exceed 4 feet. LDC Section 25-8-341 (A)
- 2. To allow fill to exceed 4 feet. LDC Section 25-8-342 (A)
- 3. To reduce a Critical Environmental Feature buffer of a canyon rimrock to less than 150 feet. LDC Section 25-8-281(C)(1)(a).

Staff Recommendation: Recommend approval

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. 2012-2013 Town Lake Park, Annual Concession Report Kirk Scanlon, Contract Administrator, Parks and Recreation Department
- b. Briefing on the Watershed Protection Department rescued plant nursery and the possibility of plant rescues as mitigation for variance requests—Mateo Scoggins, Watershed Protection Department

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Update on the Joint Environmental/Parks Board Subcommittee – Mary Ann Neely, Jennifer Walker, and James Schissler, P.E. **Update from the last meeting of the Joint Subcommittee – Mary Ann Neely & Jernnifer Walker.**

- b. Urban Growth Policy Committee Mary Gay Maxwell, James Schissler, P. E., and Marisa Perales. **No report this week.**
- c. Water Treatment Plant #4 Committee Mary Gay Maxwell, Robin Gary and Mary Ann Neely No report this week.
- d. Development Committee –Mary Gay Maxwell, Marisa Perales, Robert Deegan, and James Schissler, P.E. **No report this week.**
- e. Water Quality Regulations Committee Mary Ann Neely, Chair, Robin Gary, and Jennifer Walker. **No report this week.**
- f. Watershed Protection Budget Committee Mary Gay Maxwell and Mary Ann Neely **No report this week.**
- g. Other reports from Board members. No report this week.

8. NEW BUSINESS - Future agenda items

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Environmental Board may take items in any order, and may take action on any item except citizen's communication. Direct any questions on this agenda or the Board to Marilla J. Shepherd, 974-3443 of the Watershed Protection Department. The City of Austin is committed to compliance with the Americans Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided. Please call 974-3443 for information. For a sign language interpreter, please call immediately.