

Environmental Board Regular Meeting December 18, 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. BOARD BUSINESS

Special presentation to Environmental Board member Robin Gary

3. 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.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS

- a. Approve the minutes of the Environmental Board regular meeting of November 20, 2013.
- b. Environmental Officer's report on hot topics and past Board actions Chuck Lesniak, Watershed Protection Department
 - i. Post flood report
 - ii. Reznicek Field
 - iii. Transition Plan for Boards and Commissions Mary Lamoreaux, Office of City Clerk

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS POSTPONED ON NOVEMBER 20, 2013

a. Name: Boat Dock for 5 Humboldt Lane SP-2013-0133D

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

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. **Name:** Water Control and Impromement District No. 17 –

Mansfield Water Treatment Plant SP-2012-0429C

Applicant: River City Engineering – Agent David Kneuper

Location: 4506 N. FM 620 Road

Staff Reviewer: Jim Dymkowski, Planning and Development Review Department **Watershed**: Lake Travis and Lake Austin Watersheds (Water Supply Rural) **Ordinance**: Comprehensive Watershed Ordinance (pre-October 2013)

Request:

1. To allow impervious cover greater than 20% of the net site area allowed by code not to exceed 36.93% LDC Section 25-8-454(D) (1) (a)

Staff Recommendation: The variance is not recommended.

b. Name: Four Corners SP-2013-0259C

Applicant: Longaro & Clarke (Agent - Alex Clarke)

Location: 7300 N. FM 620 Rd w/Bldgs.

Staff Reviewer: Jim Dymkowski, Planning and Development Review Department

Watershed: Lake Travis Watershed (Water Supply Rural) Drinking Water Protection Zone

Ordinance: Tract 1 – Lake Travis Watershed Ordinance 840308 – K

Tract 2 – Comprehensive Watershed Ordinance (pre-October 2013)

Request:

- 1. To omit the roadway deduction from the calculation of allowable impervious cover on Tract 2. LDC Section 25-8-65
- 2. To allow impervious cover greater than 20% of the net site area allowed by code not to exceed 56.01% on Tract 2. LDC Section 25-8-454(D) (1) (a)
- 3. To allow fill greater than 4 feet, not to exceed 8 feet on Tract 2. LDC Section 25-8-342.
- 4. To allow the 40% natural state buffer to be reduced to 17.6% and to not require that it receive overland flow from the development for Tract 2 LDC Section 25-8-454(D) (2)
- 5. To allow construction of a roadway or driveway on a slope greater than 15% on Tract 2. LDC 25-8-301 (A)

Staff Recommendation: Approve with conditions.

7. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. Briefing on Blue Bonnet Hills Subdivision (C8-2013-0039) watershed determination and related issues – Chuck Lesniak, Watershed Protection Department and Liz Johnston, Planning and Development Review Department

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Update on the Joint Environmental/Parks Board Subcommittee Mary Ann Neely, Jennifer Walker, and James Schissler, P.E. **No report this week.**
- 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.

9. NEW BUSINESS - Future agenda items

10. 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.