



**ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD WATER QUALITY REGULATIONS COMMITTEEMEETING  
MINUTES MONDAY  
January 21, 2014**

**The Environmental Board convened in a public hearing meeting on Monday,  
January 21 2014, at City Hall Council Chambers. 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas 78701**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

**Mary Ann Neely, Mary Gay Maxwell, and Jennifer Walker**

**Staff in Attendance:**

**Chuck Lesniak**

**Mateo Scoggins**

**Marilla Shepherd**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Mary Ann Neely, Chair of the Environmental Board Water Quality Regulations  
Committee called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.**

**2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

**Tim McCabe signed up to speak about agenda item # 3b**

**3. STAFF BRIEFING**

- a. Review and discuss the Watershed Protection Department's rescued plant nursery and the possibility of plant rescues as mitigation for variance requests. – Mateo Scoggins, Watershed Protection Department

**This item was conducted as posted. The Environmental Board Water Quality Regulations Committee discussed the Watershed Protection Department's rescued plant nursery and the plant rescues as mitigation for variances requests and took action to approve the use of native plant rescues. A recommendation was made by Mary Gay Maxwell and seconded by Jennifer Walker Vote 3-0. See attached recommendation.**

- b. Discuss applicability of watershed regulations in the Urban, Suburban, and Barton Springs Zone regulatory areas. – Chuck Lesniak, Watershed Protection Department, Mitzi Cotton, Law Department

**This item was conducted as posted. No action taken.**

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

**Mary Ann Neely adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.**



**ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD WATER QUALITY REGULATIONS COMMITTEE  
RECOMMENATION 012114 003A**

**Date:** January 21, 2014

**Subject:** Review and discuss the Watershed Protection Department's rescued plant nursery and the possibility of plant rescues as mitigation for variance requests

**Motioned By:** Dr. Mary Gay Maxwell

**Seconded By:** Jennifer Walker

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**RATIONALE:**

**Whereas** the Native Plants are at risk in Riparian Zones and areas to be developed,

**And Whereas,** Watershed Protection Department has established a rescued plant nursery,

**Therefore,** Water Quality Regulations Committee recommend approval of the request for use of native plant Rescues as a mitigation option for variance requests.

**Vote** 3-0

**For:** Neely, Maxwell and Walker

**Against:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** None

**Approved By:**

Mary Ann Neely, Chair of the Water Quality Regulations Committee