



**ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY
April 02, 2014**

**The Environmental Board convened in a public hearing meeting on Wednesday,
April 02, 2014, at City Hall Council Chambers. 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas 78701**

Board Members in Attendance:

**Robert Deegan, Mary Gay Maxwell, Mary Ann Neely, James Schissler, Brian Smith, and
Jennifer Walker**

Board Members Absent:

Marisa Perales

Staff in Attendance:

**Colleen Kirk
Phillip Yaeger
Chuck Lesniak
Jean Drew
Mike Kelly
Tom Franke
Paul DiGiuseppe**

Others Present

**Jerry Harris, Husch Blackwell
Cynthia Bast, Locke Lord, L. L. P.
Adrian Iglesias, Co. Developer**

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
Chair Mary Gay Maxwell called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.
 - 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.
 - **Michael Fossum signed up to speak about the Urban Trails Plan.**
 - **Zoila Vega signed up to speak about the Urban Trails Plan.**
 - **Jere Locke signed up to speak about Texas Drought Project**
 - **Paul Robbins signed up to speak about Heat Island and Climate Protection**
 - 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS**
 - a. Approve the minutes of the Environmental Board regular meeting of March 19, 2014.**
Motion to approve the March 19, 2014 meeting minutes was made by Board member James Schissler and second by Mary Ann Neely; Vote [5-0-1-1], Board member Jennifer Walker abstained and Board member Marisa Perales was absent

- b. Approve the minutes of the Development Committee meeting of March 31, 2014.

Motion to approve the March 31, 2014 Development Committee meeting was made by Board member James Schissler and second by Mary Ann Neely; Vote [3-0-0-1], and Development Committee member Marisa Perales was absent.

- c. Environmental Officer's report on hot topics and past Board actions – Chuck Lesniak, Watershed Protection Department
No items to report this week.

4. SPECIAL STAFF REPORTS

- a. Watershed Protection Department 2013 Annual Report - Victoria Li, P. E., Director, Watershed Protection Department
This item was postponed until the 4/16/2014 regular meeting.

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. Briefing on Water Service Extension Request #3368 Windy Ridge Apartment Homes – Kelly Gagnon, Watershed Protection Department
Recommendation to approve the request was made on Board members James Schissler's motion and Mary Ann Neely's second; Vote 4-2-0-1 Board member Marisa Perales was absent. See attached motion.
- b. Briefing on Wastewater Service Extension Request #3369 Windy Ridge Apartment Homes – Kelly Gagnon, Watershed Protection Department
Recommendation to approve the request was made on Board members James Schissler's motion and Mary Ann Neely's second; Vote 4-2-0-1 Board member Marisa Perales was absent. See attached motion.
- c. Reznicek Field Update – Mike Kelly, Watershed Protection Department
This item was conducted as posted. No action taken.
- d. Briefing on the implementation of Imagine Austin with focus on the items related to watershed protection –Paul DiGiuseppe, Planning & Development Review Department and Jean Drew, Watershed Protection Department
This item was conducted as posted. No action taken. The Environmental Board requests future presentations on Green Infrastructure and Water Sustainability.

6. 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.**

7. **NEW BUSINESS - Future agenda items**
 1. Briefing on Heat Island Mitigation Policy
 2. Presentation on Climate Protection Plan
 3. Presentation on Trails and Creek issues
 4. Presentation on the Green Infrastructure
 5. Sustainable Water
8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Mary Gay Maxwell adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.



ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD RECOMMENDATION 20140402 005a & 005b

Date: April 2, 2014

Subject: Service Extension Request #3368 Water and 3369 Wastewater Windy Ridge Apartment Homes

Motion By: James Schissler

Second By: Mary Ann Neely

RATIONALE:

Whereas, the Water and Wastewater Service Extension requests will allow the project to provide the most economical and environmental manner for serving the site.

Therefore, the Environmental Board recommends approval of the request for a Water service extension request #3368 and Wastewater service extension request # 3369.

VOTE 4-2-0-1

For: Maxwell, Schissler, Neely and Smith

Against: Deegan and Walker

Abstain:

Absent: Perales

Approved By:

Mary Gay Maxwell, Environmental Board Chair