

Environmental Commission Regular Meeting December 16, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. City Hall Council Chambers, 301 W. 2nd Street Austin, Texas 78701

Agenda

COMMISSIONERS:

Andrew Creel (D-1) Marisa Perales (D-2) Pam Thompson (D-3) Erin Gooch (D-4) Mary Ann Neely (D-5) Michael Moya (D-6) Peggy Maceo (D-7) Hank Smith (D-8)

Mary Gay Maxwell (D-9) Richard Grayum (D-10) Brian Smith (Mayor)

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Speakers 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. EDUCATION

a. None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION

a. Approve the minutes of the regular Environmental Commission meeting of November 18, 2015.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER'S UPDATE ON PAST COMMISSION ACTIONS AND REPORT ON ITEMS OF INTEREST

- a. Hart Residence Variance
- b. 14708 Flat Top Ranch

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION*

- a. Update on Fire Resilient Landscape Initiative Justice Jones, Wildfire Division Manager, Austin Fire Department
- b. Briefing on 10 Years of Austin's Coal Tar Sealer Ban: Science, Enforcement & Progress Mateo Scoggins, Watershed Protection Department

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. Name: Sun Chase PUD

Owner: Qualico CR, L.P. (Vera Massaro)

Agent: Armbrust & Brown, L.L.P. (Richard Suttle)

Location: 15201, 15810, 16070 Pearce Lane and 7910 Wolf Lane

Staff Reviewer: Andrea Bates, Watershed Protection Department; James Dymkowski,

Development Services Department/Environmental Staff; Wendy Rhoades, Planning & Zoning

Department/Case Manager

Watershed: Dry Creek East Watershed (Suburban) Desired Development Zone

Request: Review and consider for recommendation the environmental aspects of the proposed Planned Unit Development (PUD), including code modifications and environmental superiority.

Staff Recommendation: Recommend for approval with the condition that environmental superiority is met.

Reasons: The proposed PUD is not environmentally superior to development that could otherwise be built under current applicable regulations.

b. Name: The Grove at Shoal Creek Planned Unit Development

Applicant: ARG Bull Creek, LTD (Garrett Martin)

Location: 4205 Bull Creek Road

Staff Reviewer: Jim Dymkowski, Development Services Department/Environmental Staff; Sherri

Sirwaitis, Planning & Zoning Department/Case Manager.

Watershed: Shoal Creek Watershed

Request: Review and consider for recommendation the environmental aspects of the proposed Planned Unit Development (PUD), including code modifications and environmental superiority.

Staff Recommendation: Postponement

Reasons: Significant aspects of the PUD, including base zoning and transportation, remain to be addressed so there is no staff recommendation on the PUD as a whole at this time.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Urban Growth Policy Committee
- b. Water Treatment Plant #4 Committee
- c. Development Committee
- d. Water Quality Regulations Committee
- e. Watershed Protection Budget Committee
- f. Air Quality Committee
- g. Report from Mary Gay Maxwell on the Open Space, Environment, and Sustainability Council Committee
- h. Report from Pam Thompson on the Parkland Events Task Force
- i. Report from Erin Gooch on the Joint Sustainability Committee
- j. Report from Mary Ann Neely on the Balcones Canyon Conservation Plan Citizen's Advisory Committee
- k. Report on the Joint Committee of the Environmental Commission and Parks and Recreation Board
- 1. Other reports from Commissioners

9. NEW BUSINESS – Future agenda items

10. ADJOURNMENT

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