



**Environmental Commission Regular Meeting  
January 18, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.  
City Hall Boards and Commissions, 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Austin, Texas 78701**

# Agenda

## COMMISSIONERS:

Andrew Creel (D-1)      Marisa Perales (D-2) Chair      Pam Thompson (D-3)      Vacant (D-4)  
Mary Ann Neely (D-5)      Michael Moya (D-6)      Peggy Maceo (D-7) Vice Chair      Hank Smith (D-8) Secretary  
Linda Guerrero (D-9)      Richard Grayum (D-10)      Brian Smith (Mayor)

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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.      Briefing on suggested conditions for variances spreadsheet—Sue Barnett, Manager Environmental Review, Development Services Department; Sylvia Pope, Hydrogeologist, Watershed Protection Department; and Liz Johnston, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department
4.      **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION**
  - a.      Approve the minutes of the regular Environmental Commission meeting of December 7, 2016
5.      **ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER’S UPDATE ON PAST COMMISSION ACTIONS AND REPORT ON ITEMS OF INTEREST**
  - a.      Commission and committee administration
  - b.      Update on tram construction at 70 Pascal Lane
6.      **STAFF BRIEFINGS\***
  - a.      None
7.      **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**
  - a.      Discuss and consider members and meeting date(s) for the Drainage Infrastructure and Flood Mitigation Committee
  - b.      Discuss and consider structure of Environmental Commission committees

**8. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- a. **Name:** Junior League of Austin, SPC-2016-0055C (D-10)  
**Applicant:** Dave Anderson  
**Location:** 5330 Bluffstone Lane, Austin, Texas  
**Staff:** Atha Phillips, Environmental Reviewer, Development Services Department  
**Watershed:** Bull Creek Watershed, Water Supply Suburban Drinking Water Protection Zone  
**Request:** Variance request is as follows:
  - 1. Cut above 4' to 5.57' [13-15-235]
  - 2. Fill above 4' to 5.3' [13.15.235]
  - 3. Construction on slopes [13-15-237(a)]**Staff Recommendation:** Recommended with conditions  
**Reasons for Recommendation:** Findings of fact have been met

**9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. Urban Growth Policy Committee – Marisa Perales, Pam Thompson, and Hank Smith
- b. Development Committee –Marisa Perales, Richard Grayum, Pam Thompson, and Hank Smith
- c. Water Quality Regulations Committee - Mary Ann Neely, Brian Smith, Peggy Maceo, Pam Thompson, Hank Smith, Richard Grayum, and Andrew Creel
- d. Watershed Protection Budget Committee – Marisa Perales, Mary Ann Neely, Andrew Creel, and Pam Thompson
- e. Air Quality Committee – Marisa Perales, Mary Ann Neely, Andrew Creel, Peggy Maceo, and Pam Thompson, Linda Guerrero
- f. Urban Forestry Committee – Peggy Maceo, Pam Thompson, Linda Guerrero and Mary Ann Neely
- g. Report on the Open Space, Environment, and Sustainability Council Committee – Marisa Perales
- h. Report from Pam Thompson on the Parkland Events Task Force
- i. Report 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 – Linda Guerrero, Mary Ann Neely, Peggy Maceo, and Michael Moya
- l. Other reports from Commissioners

**10. NEW BUSINESS – Future agenda items**

- a. None

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

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