



**Environmental Board / Parks and Recreation Board
JOINT COMMITTEE**

**March 18, 2014
Meeting Minutes**

Joint Committee Members in Attendance:

Parks and Recreation Board:

Hill Abell, Chair
Dale Glover

Environmental Board:

Mary Ann Neely
James Schissler
Jennifer Walker

Staff in Attendance:

Kim McNeeley, PARD
Gary Gregson, PARD
Robin Camp, PWD

Cheryl Bolin, PARD
Liza Colucci, WPD

The Environmental Board / Parks and Recreation Board JOINT COMMITTEE convened in a joint meeting on Tuesday, March 18, 2014, at the Barton Springs Pool Bathhouse, 2201 Barton Springs Road, Austin, Texas.

Chair Hill Abell called the Joint Committee Meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- The approval of the minutes for the January 21, 2014, meeting was approved with a 4-0 vote.

2. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATION

- None.

3. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND DISCUSSION

- Liza Colucci (Watershed Protection Department Environmental Scientist) provided an overview of the Eliza Spring Outlet Daylighting Project.

- Dale Glover questioned how Barton Springs Pool patrons would be kept out of spring run. Liza explained how the planned fence barriers would function.
 - Mary Ann Neely asked if the outflow could be directed into the pool as opposed to the bypass culvert. Liza explained that the elevation of the pool is the same as Eliza Spring, so that would not be feasible.
 - Hill Abel asked about the engineering behind the penetration into the bypass culvert. Liza explained that the plan did not include any additional penetration, but to use the existing one that the concrete pipe currently flows into.
- Robin Camp (Public Works Department Project Manager) gave an update on the progress of the General Grounds Improvements project.
 - Robin addressed a question previously e-mailed from Hill Abel in regards to the bicycle racks, stating that they were installed per City standards.
 - Mary Ann Neely asked about extent of rock terraces along the south side ADA accessible route. Robin explained that once area is re-vegetated, it won't appear as extensive.
 - Mary Ann Neely asked about soil treatment in "Tree Court" area. Robin explained that additional steps were taken to perform additional soil decompaction (8 inches in depth) and add compost.

4. BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

- None.

5. FUTURE ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- None.

6. ADJOURN

Committee Chair Hill Abell adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m. without objection.