



ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, June 6, 2018

The Environmental Commission convened in a public meeting on Wednesday, June 6, 2018 at City Hall in Council Chambers at 301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701.

Commissioners in Attendance:

Brian Smith
Andrew Creel
Marisa Perales
Pam Thompson
Mary Ann Neely
Peggy Maceo
Hank Smith
Katie Coyne
Linda Guerrero
Wendy Gordon

Commissioners Absent:

None

Staff in Attendance:

Tony Arnold
Kaela Champlin
Kelly Gagnon
Jose Guerrero
Sara Hartley
Rey Hernandez
Matt Hollon
Chuck Lesniak
Peggy McCallum
Kimberly McNeeley
Mike Personett

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Guerrero called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M.

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.

Speakers

Craig Nazor
Christie Nalle
Linda Bailey
Mike Cannatti
Johnathan Coon

3. **EDUCATION**

- a. None

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION**

- a. Approve the minutes of the regular Environmental Commission meeting of May 16, 2018 (5 minutes)

The minutes of the regular Environmental Commission meeting of May 16, 2018 were approved on Commissioner Gordon's motion, Commissioner H. Smith's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioner Coyne was off the dais.

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

- a. None

6. **STAFF BRIEFINGS***

- a. None

7. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- a. Briefing on the Zilker Park - Stratford Lane staging and temporary parking area—Tony Arnold, Project Manager, and Reynaldo Hernandez, Project Management Supervisor, Parks and Recreation Department (30 minutes)

Speakers

David King

Dave Piper

Bruce Wiland

Craig Nazor

Mark Gentle

Michael Cannatti

Roy Waley

John Rooney

Marion Alsup

Bill Bunch

A motion to extend the meeting until 10:30 P.M. was approved on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Perales' second on a 10-0 vote.

A motion to extend the meeting until 10:35 P.M. was made on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Gordon's second on a 10-0 vote.

Action on Item 7a. was postponed until the June 20, 2018 Environmental Commission Meeting.

- b. Discuss and consider Watershed Protection Department's FY 19 Budget—Peggy MacCallum, Financial Manager III, Watershed Protection Department (1 hour)

A recommendation to support Watershed Protection Department's FY19 Budget was approved on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Thompson's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioner Coyne was off the dais.

- c. Discuss and consider CodeNEXT Addenda (**30 minutes**)
A recommendation regarding CodeNEXT Addenda regarding tree issues was approved on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Maceo's second on a 10-0 vote.

A recommendation regarding CodeNEXT Addenda - minimum development potential was made on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Gordon's second on a 10-0 vote.

A recommendation regarding CodeNEXT Addenda regarding Civic Open Space was approved on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Maceo's second on a 10-0 vote.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. None

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Urban Growth Policy and Water Quality Protection Committee – Marisa Perales, Pam Thompson, Hank Smith, Linda Guerrero, and Wendy Gordon
- b. Development Committee – Marisa Perales, Pam Thompson, Hank Smith, Katie Coyne, and Wendy Gordon
- c. Air Quality Committee –Mary Ann Neely, Pam Thompson, and Wendy Gordon
- d. Urban Forestry Committee – Peggy Maceo, Pam Thompson, Linda Guerrero, Mary Ann Neely and Wendy Gordon
- e. Drainage Infrastructure and Flood Mitigation Committee – Marisa Perales, Pam Thompson, Mary Ann Neely, Hank Smith, and Brian Smith
- i. Report on the Joint Sustainability Committee – Katie Coyne
- j. Report from Mary Ann Neely on the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan Citizen's Advisory Committee
- k. Report on the Joint Committee of the Environmental Commission and Parks and Recreation Board – Mary Ann Neely, Peggy Maceo, and Linda Guerrero
- l. Other reports from Commissioners

10. NEW BUSINESS – Future agenda items

11. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Guerrero adjourned the meeting at 10:29 P.M.

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