



**Environmental Commission Regular Meeting
August 1, 2018 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)	Vacant (D-4)
Mary Ann Neely (D-5)	Katie Coyne (D-6)	Peggy Maceo (D-7)	Hank Smith (D-8) Secretary
Linda Guerrero (D-9) Chair	Wendy Gordon (D-10) Vice Chair	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 July 18, 2018
(**5 minutes**)
- 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. Presentation on Development Services Department's FY18-19 Budget—Rodney Gonzales, Director, Development Services Department (**30 minutes**)

- b. Presentation on Water Forward, Austin's Integrated Water Resource Plan—Marisa Flores Gonzalez, Program Manager and Teresa Lutes, Managing Engineer, Austin Water (**30 minutes**)
- c. Review and recommend approval to include Austin Water (AW) Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) located in the Drinking Water Protection Zone (DWPZ) in AW's 5-year capital spending plan as required by AW's financial policy #8—Christina Romero, Financial Manager II, Austin Water (**10 minutes**)
- d. Discuss and consider referral of erosion and sedimentation control for infill development to an Environmental Commission subcommittee—Linda Guerrero, Environmental Commission Chair (**10 minutes**)
- e. Appoint one member of the Environmental Commission to serve on a working group to provide recommendations regarding proposed improvements to fortify the landfill cap, traffic, and parking issues in Zilker Park as directed by City Council Resolution No. 20180628-072 (**10 minutes**)

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. **Name:** Schwausch Boat Dock (SP-2018-0128D) (D-10)
Applicant: Rick Rasberry
Location: 3335 Far View Drive
Staff: Atha Phillips, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department
Saj Zappitello, Environmental Scientist, Watershed Protection Department
Watershed: Slaughter Creek
Request: Variance request is as follows: 1. Critical Environmental Features [LDC 25-8-281(C)(2)(b)] To allow construction of a tram and boat dock within a critical environmental feature buffer
Staff Recommendation: Staff does not recommend the variance.
Reasons for Recommendation: The findings of fact have not been met.
(30 minutes)

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, Linda Guerrero, and Pam Thompson

l. Report on the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board – Linda Guerrero

m. Other reports from Commissioners

10. NEW BUSINESS – Future agenda items

a. None

11. ADJOURNMENT

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