



**Environmental Commission Regular Meeting
December 4, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.
City Hall Council Chambers, 301 W. 2nd Street
Austin, Texas 78701**

Agenda

COMMISSIONERS:

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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**
 - Update from TexPIRG—Bay Scoggin, TexPIRG Director (**10 minutes**)
 - 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION**
 - Approve the minutes of the regular Environmental Commission meeting of November 20, 2019 (**5 minutes**)
 - 5. ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER'S UPDATE ON PAST COMMISSION ACTIONS AND REPORT ON ITEMS OF INTEREST**
 - None
 - 6. STAFF BRIEFINGS***
 - Introduction from Watershed Protection Director Jorge Morales (**15 minutes**)
 - Briefing on Waller Creek/Palm District Planning Initiative—Stevie Greathouse, Program Manager, Planning and Zoning Department (**20 minutes**)

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

- a. Discuss and consider tree protections on Apple Campus (SP-2018-0602C)

8. **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- a. **Name:** Ventura at Parmer Lane, SP-2018-0565D

Applicant: Rob Smith, P.E., Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

Location: 8407 E. Parmer Lane, Austin, TX 78653 (Extraterritorial Jurisdiction)

Staff: Jonathan Garner, Environmental Review Program Coordinator, Development Services Department

Watershed: Gilleland Creek Watershed, Suburban, Desired Development Zone

Request: Variance requests are as follows:

1. Request to vary from LDC 25-8-261 to allow development in a critical water quality zone
2. Request to vary from LDC 25-8-341 to allow cut more than four feet in depth within 100 feet of a classified waterway
3. Request to vary from LDC 25-8-341 to allow fill more than four feet in depth within 100 feet of a classified waterway

Staff Recommendation: Staff does not recommend these variances, having determined that the findings of fact have not been met

(30 minutes)

- b. **Name:** 218 South Lamar, C814-2018-0121

Applicant: Amanda Swor, Drenner Group

Location: 218 S. Lamar (Council District 5)

Staff: Atha Phillips, Environmental Officer's Office and Heather Chaffin, Senior Planner, Planning and Zoning Department

Watershed: Lady Bird Lake and West Bouldin Creek

Request: To create a new Planned Unit Development (PUD)

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommended with conditions

(30 minutes)

- c. **Name:** Davenport West PUD Amendment 12

Applicant: Michele Rogerson Lynch, Metcalf, Wolff, Stuart, & Williams LLP

Location: 4417 Westlake Drive (Council District 10)

Staff: Atha Phillips, Environmental Officer's Office and Mark Graham, Senior Planner, Planning and Zoning Department

Watershed: St. Stephens Creek, Water Supply Rural, Drinking Water Protection Zone

Request: To amend a Planned Unit Development (PUD)

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommended with conditions

(30 minutes)

9. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. Urban Growth Policy and Water Quality Protection Committee – Pam Thompson, Kevin Ramberg, Mary Ann Neely, Curtis Smith, and Perry Bedford

- b. Urban Forestry Committee – Peggy Maceo, Pam Thompson, Linda Guerrero, and Mary Ann Neely

- c. Report on the Joint Sustainability Committee – Katie Coyne

- d. Report on the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan Citizen's Advisory Committee – Mary Ann Neely

- e. Report on the Joint Committee of the Environmental Commission and Parks and Recreation Board – Mary Ann Neely, Peggy Maceo, Linda Guerrero, and Pam Thompson
- f. Report on the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board – Linda Guerrero
- g. Other reports from Commissioners

10. NEW BUSINESS – Future agenda items

- a. Discuss 2020 Environmental Commission Town Hall Meetings

11. ADJOURNMENT

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