



**Regular Meeting of the Environmental Commission
February 2, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.
Austin City Hall, Council Chambers, Room 1001
301 W. 2nd Street, Austin, Texas 78701**

Some members of the Environmental Commission will be participating by videoconference. The meeting may be viewed online at:

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Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely by telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation.

To register to speak remotely, call or email the board liaison Kaela Champlin, (512) 974-3443, Kaela.Champlin@austintexas.gov, no later than noon, (the day before the meeting). The following information is required: speaker name, item number(s) they wish to speak on, whether they are for/against/neutral, email address and telephone number (must be the same number that will be used to call into the meeting).

COMMISSIONERS:

Haris Qureshi (D-1)	Rachel Scott (D-2)	Pam Thompson (D-3)	Vacant (D-4)
Audrey Barrett Bixler (D-5)	Vacant (D-6)	Jennifer Bristol (D-7) Secretary	Kevin Ramberg (D-8) Vice-Chair
Linda Guerrero (D-9) Chair	Richard Brimer (D-10)	Perry Bedford (Mayor)	

REVISED Agenda

CALL TO ORDER

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers who register to speak no later than noon the day before the meeting will be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION

- a. Approval of the January 19, 2022 Environmental Commission Regular Meeting Minutes (**5 minutes**)

2. ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER UPDATES

- a. Update on discharge of acidic waste into tributary of Harris Branch Creek, Katie Coyne, Environmental Officer; Assistant Director, Watershed Protection Department

3. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- a. Briefing on rule changes to Environmental Criteria Manual Section 3.5—Daniel Priest, Naomi Rotramel, and Keith Mars, Development Services Department Community Tree Preservation Division (**1 hour**)

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. **Name:** 7715 1/2 West State Highway 71, C14-85-288.23(RCA)
Applicant: Amanda Swor, Drenner Group
Location: 7712 Oak Forest Lane, Austin TX 78736
Council District: District 8
Staff: Liz Johnston, Deputy Environmental Officer, Watershed Protection Department and Leslie Lilly, Environmental Program Coordinator
Watershed: Williamson Creek, Barton Springs Zone (Contributing Zone), Drinking Water Protection Zone
Request: Conduct a public hearing and approve a restrictive covenant amendment
Staff Recommendation: To grant an amendment to the restrictive covenant (**30 minutes**)

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Urban Forestry Committee –Pam Thompson, Richard Brimer, Linda Guerrero, and Rachel Scott
- b. Report on the Joint Sustainability Committee – Audrey Barrett Bixler
- c. Report on the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan Citizen’s Advisory Committee – Kevin Ramberg
- d. Report on the Joint Committee of the Environmental Commission and Parks and Recreation Board –Linda Guerrero, Pam Thompson, and Rachel Scott
- e. Report on the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board – Linda Guerrero

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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** A member of the public may not address a board or commission at a meeting on an item posted as a briefing, per City Code Section 2-1-144(E).*