



***ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION  
REGULAR CALLED MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, September 4, 2024***

The ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION convened in a REGULAR meeting on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, at 6310 Wilhelmina Delco Drive in Austin, Texas.

Chair Bedford called the Environmental Commission Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**Commissioners in Attendance:** Perry Bedford, Jennifer Bristol, Peter Einhorn, Colin Nickells, Mariana Krueger, Haris Qureshi, David Sullivan

**Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:** None

**Commissioners Absent:** Hanna Cofer, Melinda Schiera

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the Environmental Commission Regular Meeting on August 21, 2024 and the Special Called Meeting on August 28, 2024.

**The minutes of the Environmental Commission Regular Meeting on August 21, 2024 and the Special Called Meeting on August 28, 2024 were approved on Commissioner Sullivan's motion, Commissioner Krueger's second on a 7-0 vote. Commissioner Nickells was off the dais. Commissioners Cofer and Schiera were absent.**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ACTION ITEMS**

2. **Name:** 1107 Castle Ridge Rd Wastewater Service Extension Request #5845  
**Applicant:** Andrew Milam, Parkside Homes LLC  
**Location:** 1107 Castle Ridge Road, Austin, Texas 78746  
**Council District:** Austin 2-Mile Extraterritorial Jurisdiction  
**Staff:** Kaela Champlin, Environmental Program Coordinator, (512) 974-3443, [Kaela.Champlin@austintexas.gov](mailto:Kaela.Champlin@austintexas.gov)  
**Applicant request:** Wastewater Service Extension Revision  
**Staff Recommendation:** Not recommended

**Speakers:**

**Kaela Champlin, Watershed Protection  
Tanzia Karim, SOS**

**A motion to close the public hearing passed on Chair Bedford's motion, Commissioner Einhorn's second, on an 8-0 vote.**

**A motion to deny the 1107 Castle Ridge Rd Wastewater Service Extension Request #5845 passed on Commissioner Bristol's motion, Commissioner Einhorn's second, on a 7-1 vote. Commissioner Nickels voted against. Commissioners Cofer and Schiera were absent.**

3. **Make a recommendation regarding the request for 200 E Riverside Planned Unit Development (PUD) (C814-2023-0057) located at 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704 (District 9). Presenter: Leslie Lilly, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department**

**Speakers:**

**Leslie Lilly, WPD  
Richard Suttle, applicant**

**A motion to close the public hearing passed on Chair Bedford's motion, Commissioner Sullivan's second, on an 8-0 vote.**

**A motion to recommend the 200 E Riverside Planned Unit Development (PUD) with staff conditions passed on Commissioner Bristol's motion, Commissioner Nickels's second, on a 7-0 vote. Commissioner Brimer abstained. Commissioners Cofer and Schiera were absent.**

4. **Name:** Dominion Sage at Franklin Park, SP-2023-0389C.SH  
**Applicant:** Nick Brown, Kimley Horn Engineering Planning and Design Consultant  
**Location:** 4605 S Pleasant Valley Road, Austin, Texas 78744  
**Council District:** District 2  
**Staff:** David Michael, Environmental Review Specialist, Development Services Department, [david.michael@austintexas.gov](mailto:david.michael@austintexas.gov)  
**Applicant request:** Request to vary from LDC 25-8-342 to allow fill up to 15 feet in depth.  
**Staff Recommendation:** Recommended with conditions  
**Speakers:**  
**David Michael, DSD  
Nick Brown, Kimley Horn (design engineer)**

**Austin Holmes, Dominion (developer)**

**A motion to close the public hearing passed on Chair Bedford's motion, Commissioner Sullivan's second, on an 8-0 vote.**

**A motion to recommend the Dominion Sage fill variance with conditions passed on Commissioner Bristol's motion, Commissioner Krueger's second, on an 8-0 vote. Commissioners Cofer and Schiera were absent.**

**COMMITTEE UPDATES**

5. Update from South Central Waterfront Advisory Board on recent Planned Unit Developments – David Sullivan  
**Item conducted as posted. No action taken.**
6. Update from the Bird Friendly Design Working Group on reviewing best practices in other cities – Jennifer Bristol  
**Item conducted as posted. No action taken.**
7. Update from the Urban Forestry Committee on the recommendation on tree canopy improvements – Richard Brimer  
**Item conducted as posted. No action taken.**

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**None**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Chair Bedford adjourned the meeting at 8:22 pm.**